



The National Tenpin Coaches Association 2020-21 DII/DIII Preseason Poll

October 12, 2020

McKendree Voted No 1., Near-Unanimously

NASHVILLE, TN---McKendree was a near-unanimous choice as the pre-season No. 1 in the National Ten Pin Coaches Association (NTCA) Division II/III poll conducted the first week of October.

The Bearcats, who also topped the NTCA's overall poll, had 35 of the 37 first-place votes of the participating nation's head coaches.

Central Missouri had the other two first-place ballots and were second in the poll, ahead of Wisconsin-Whitewater, Maryville (Saint Louis) and Adelphi. Lincoln Memorial was sixth with Wilmington, Kutztown, Lewis and Medaille rounding out the Top 10.

Chestnut Hill, Tusculum, Caldwell, Drury, Malloy, Kentucky Wesleyan and Mercyhurst continue the rankings through No. 17 with Upper Iowa, Mount Aloysius, Felician and Daemen each receiving one pre-season vote.



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		<u>First Place Votes</u>	<u>Points Total</u>	<u>Division</u>
1	McKendree University, Lebanon, IL	35	767	DII
2	University of Central Missouri, Warrensburg, MO	2	614	DII
3	University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, WI		589	DIII
4	Maryville University, St. Louis, MO		501	DII
5	Adelphi University, Garden City, NY		493	DII
6	Lincoln Memorial University, Harrogate, TN		386	DII
7	Wilmington University, Wilmington, DE		315	DII
8	Kutztown University, Kutztown, PA		229	DII
9	Lewis University, Romeoville, IL		223	DII
10	Medaille College, Buffalo, NY		189	DIII
11	Chestnut Hill College, Philadelphia, PA		185	DII
12	Tusculum University, Greenville, TN		132	DII
13	Caldwell University, Caldwell, NJ		114	DII
14	Drury University, Springfield, MO		88	DII
15	Molloy College, Rockville Centre, NY		61	DII

Also receiving points:

Kentucky Wesleyan College (DII), Mercyhurst University (DII)

Point system:

NTCA voters rank the top 15 Division II and Division III teams on their ballot. Each position has a designated point value, ranging from 22 points for first place and one point for twenty-fifth place. To be ranked teams need to equal or surpass the minimum vote criteria, which is one vote for every six ballots submitted. The actual ranking position is determined by using the adjusted point standings, which lists in priority order the total points a school has accumulated after the highest and lowest votes are dropped. The specific point values follow: 1st place = 22 points, 2nd =19, 3rd =17, 4th =15, 5th =13, 6th =11, 7th =9, 8th =8, 9th =7, 10th =6, 11th =5, 12th =4, 13th =3, 14th =2, 15th =1