

The National Tenpin Coaches Association February Poll

March 10, 2022

McKendree Bearcats #1 in NTCA Poll

NACOGDOCHES, TX---After months of fluctuations, there was very little movement in the February poll of National Ten Pin Coaches Association as the nation's collegiate bowling coaches appear to have settled in on who they think are the NCAA's top teams.

McKendree, Nebraska, Sam Houston State and Vanderbilt maintained their top-four poll status in the newest polling, although Nebraska and Sam Houston swapped spots in the standings.

The McKendree Bearcats stayed at No. 1, earning 24 of the 42 first-place votes by NTCA member coaches. McKendree won the five-team Columbia 300 Saints Invitational, was second at Nebraska's Big Red Invite and overcame a ninth place finish as the Mid-Winter Classic to maintain its hold at the top.

Nebraska, with 16 first-place votes, slid up a notch into second place with a strong month in which it won the Mid-Winter Classic and its own Big Red Invite and finished second at the Columbia 300 Saints Invitational. The two championships were the Huskers fifth of the season.

Sam Houston State, getting two first place votes, slipped to third after a pair of fourth place finishes at the Lady Techsters and Stallings tournaments. The Bearcats contended with an assortment of injuries during the month.

Vanderbilt held onto fourth after placing seventh at the Lady Techsters but rebounding to win the Stallings Invitational.

North Carolina A & T continued its strong season with a championship at Morgan State's James Brown Invitational, a second place at its own Stallings Invite and by ending its MEAC competition with the league's No. 1 seed heading into the conference tournament.

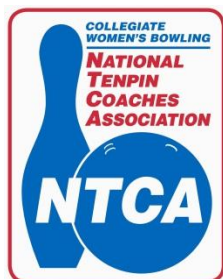
Arkansas State, Louisiana Tech, Stephen F. Austin, Youngstown State and Duquesne round out the Top 10.

There was also very little movement among the second 10 teams in the February poll.

Mount St. Mary's held down 11th, followed by Maryville (St. Louis), Fairleigh Dickinson, Delaware State, Tulane, Sacred Heart, Maryland-Eastern Shore, Wisconsin-Whitewater, Morgan State and Long Island University.

Lewis, Lincoln Memorial, Central Missouri, Monmouth and Adelphi complete the Top 25.

Teams will shift their focus to upcoming conference tournaments with the hopes of making the NCAA field, where regional and championship play begin in April.



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		1st Place Votes	Overall Points	Previously Ranked
1	McKendree University, <i>Lebanon, IL</i>	24	1,537	2
2	University of Nebraska, <i>Lincoln, NE</i>	16	1,519	1
3	Sam Houston State University, <i>Huntsville, TX</i>	2	1,343	3
4	Vanderbilt University, <i>Nashville, TN</i>		1,332	5
5	North Carolina A&T, <i>Greensboro, NC</i>		1,214	7
6	Arkansas State University, <i>Jonesboro, AR</i>		1,128	4
7	Louisiana Tech University, <i>Ruston, LA</i>		1,102	6
8	Stephen F. Austin State University, <i>Nacogdoches, TX</i>		974	10
9	Youngstown State University, <i>Youngstown, OH</i>		960	8
10	Duquesne University, <i>Pittsburgh, PA</i>		754	9
11	Mount St. Mary's University, <i>Emmitsburg, MD</i>		741	12
12	Maryville University, <i>St. Louis, MO</i>		640	15
13	Fairleigh Dickinson University, <i>Teaneck, NJ</i>		613	10
14	Delaware State University, <i>Dover, DE</i>		574	14
15	Tulane University, <i>New Orleans, LA</i>		394	13
16	Sacred Heart University, <i>Fairfield, CT</i>		380	18
17	University of Maryland Eastern Shore, <i>Princess Anne, MD</i>		368	17
18	University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, <i>Whitewater, WI</i>		344	16
19	Morgan State University, <i>Baltimore, MD</i>		252	19
20	Long Island University, <i>Brooklyn, NY</i>		239	21
21	Lewis University, <i>Romeoville, IL</i>		220	22
22	Lincoln Memorial University, <i>Harrogate, TN</i>		209	20
23	University of Central Missouri, <i>Warrensburg, MO</i>		92	23
24	Monmouth University, <i>West Long Beach, NJ</i>		86	25
25	Adelphi University, <i>Garden City, NY</i>		62	NR

Also receiving points (must be on 1 in 8 ballots):

Alabama State University, Marian University (WI), Wilmington University (DE)

NTCA voters rank the top 25 teams on their ballot. Each position has a designated point value, ranging from 40 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 eight 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 = 40 points, 2nd =37, 3rd =35, 4th =33, 5th =31, 6th =29, 7th =27, 8th =25, 9th =23, 10th =21, 11th =19, 12th =17, 13th =15, 14th =13, 15th =11, 16th =10, 17th =9, 18th =8, 19th =7, 20th =6, 21st =5, 22nd =4, 23rd =3, 24th =2, 25th =1.



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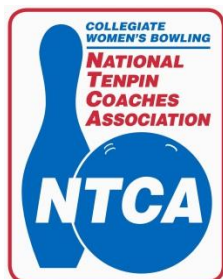
McKendree Bearcats Top DII/DIII February Poll

Nacogdoches, TX -- Perennial power McKendree once again finds itself atop the February poll of the National Ten Pin Coaches Association (NTCA).

The Bearcats tallied 550 poll points to easily outdistance second place Maryville (St. Louis). University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, came in third.

Rounding out the DII/DIII top 10 are Lewis University, Lincoln Memorial University, Adelphi University, University of Central University, Wilmington University, Marian University and Medaille College.

Voting is done by NCAA head coaches that are members of the NTCA with 27 ballots cast.



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	1st Place Votes	Overall Points	Previously Ranked
1 McKendree University, <i>Lebanon, IL</i>	27	550	1
2 Maryville University, <i>St. Louis, MO</i>		463	2
3 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, <i>Whitewater, WI</i>		405	4
4 Lewis University, <i>Romeoville, IL</i>		347	6
5 Lincoln Memorial University, <i>Harrogate, TN</i>		343	5
6 Adelphi University, <i>Garden City, NY</i>		233	7
7 University of Central Missouri, <i>Warrenburg, MO</i>		189	3
8 Wilmington University, <i>Wilmington Manor, DE</i>		169	14
9 Marian University, <i>Fond du Lac, WI</i>		160	13
10 Medaille College, <i>Buffalo, NY</i>		149	6
11 Tusculum University, <i>Greenville, TN</i>		123	11
12 Mercyhurst University, <i>Erie, PA</i>		117	NR
13 Caldwell University, <i>Caldwell, NJ</i>		81	9
14 Daemen College, <i>Amherst, NY</i>		42	NR
15 Walsh University, <i>North Canton, OH</i>		31	NR

Also receiving points (must be on 1 in 8 ballots):

Drury University, Felician University, Kentucky Wesleyan College, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania, Roberts Wesleyan College