



The National Tenpin Coaches Association DII/DIII Preseason Poll

October 5, 2022

McKendree Bearcats Top DII/DIII Preseason Poll

ELMHURST, IL---McKendree University has been a dominant force in NCAA Division II/III ranks and those voting in the National Ten Pin Coaches Association pre-season poll are forecasting more of the same in 2022-23.

The Bearcats received 528 poll points to outdistance second place Maryville University in polling just conducted by the NCAA head coaches.

McKendree returns seven of its top 10 performers from last year's national championship team. Two-time defending Division II/III Player of the Year Hope Gramly heads the potent McKendree lineup.

Maryville will count upon leadership from a pair of talented seniors. Macailin Rodriguez was a first – team all-conference performer and was named the school's Female Athlete of the Year. Bailey Delrose earned all-conference mention last season.

Perennial division power Wisconsin-Whitewater was third in polling, followed by Lewis, Central Missouri, Wilmington, Adelphi, Mercyhurst, Lincoln Memorial and Medaille to complete the top 10.

Voting is done by NCAA head coaches that are members of the NTCA with 39 ballots cast.

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	1st Place Votes	Overall Points	Previously Ranked
1 McKendree University, <i>Lebanon, IL</i>	26	528	1
2 Maryville University, <i>St. Louis, MO</i>		427	2
3 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, <i>Whitewater, WI</i>		392	3
4 Lewis University, <i>Romeoville, IL</i>		309	4
5 University of Central Missouri, <i>Warrensburg, MO</i>		245	8
6 Wilmington University, <i>New Castle, DE</i>		234	5
7 Adelphi University, <i>Garden City, NY</i>		227	7
8 Mercyhurst University, <i>Erie, PA</i>		181	11
9 Lincoln Memorial University, <i>Harrogate, TN</i>		177	6
10 Medaille College, <i>Buffalo, NY</i>		169	9
11 Marian University, <i>Fond du Lac, WI</i>		98	10
12 Newman University, <i>Wichita, KS</i>		89	NR
13 Caldwell University, <i>Caldwell, NJ</i>		73	12
14 Tusculum University, <i>Greenville, TN</i>		61	13
15 Kutztown University, <i>Kutztown, PA</i>		49	14

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

Aurora University, Bowie State University, Daemen College, Drury University, Emmanuel College, Elmhurst University, Roberts Wesleyan University, Walsh University, Wartburg College, Upper Iowa University

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.