

The National Tenpin Coaches Association Final Season Poll

May 2, 2023

Vanderbilt Commodores #1 in Final NTCA Poll

ELMHURST, IL---Vanderbilt's national championship run at the NCAA Championship last month made the Commodores a near-unanimous choice to top the National Ten Pin Coaches Association (NTCA) final poll of the 2022-23 season.

Vanderbilt was followed by national runner-up Arkansas State, McKendree and Nebraska – the four teams that won their regionals and competed at the South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas.

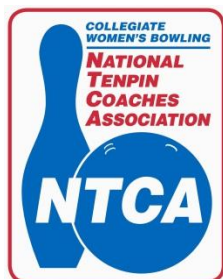
The Commodores, 98-29, won the Lansing Regional but dropped their opening Final Four match to Arkansas State before bouncing back in the elimination bracket to beat McKendree and Nebraska by 2-0 mega-match scores and rallied from behind to defeat Arkansas State, 4-3, in the title match.

Voters chose Vanderbilt on 16 of the 18 ballots cast while McKendree earned the other two votes.

Stephen F. Austin, North Carolina A&T, Youngstown State, Maryville, Sam Houston, and Louisiana Tech round out the final Top 10. Six of those teams are members of the Southland Bowling League, soon to transition to Conference USA.

Six of the Top 25 members come from the Division II NCAA classification. They include McKendree (3), Maryville (8), Newman (13), Mercyhurst (14), Lincoln Memorial (16) and Central Missouri (19).

Division III members Wisconsin-Whitewater (18) and Medaille (21) also cracked the Top 25.



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	1st Place Votes	Overall Points	Previously Ranked
1 Vanderbilt University, <i>Nashville, TN</i>	16	637	2
2 Arkansas State University, <i>Jonesboro, AR</i>		582	4
3 McKendree University, <i>Lebanon, IL</i>	2	559	1
4 University of Nebraska, <i>Lincoln, NE</i>		544	3
5 Stephen F. Austin State University, <i>Nacogdoches, TX</i>		454	5
6 North Carolina A&T, <i>Greensboro, NC</i>		450	7
7 Youngstown State University, <i>Youngstown, OH</i>		440	6
8 Maryville University, <i>St. Louis, MO</i>		400	8
9 Sam Houston State University, <i>Huntsville, TX</i>		388	9
10 Louisiana Tech University, <i>Ruston, LA</i>		344	12
11 University of Maryland Eastern Shore, <i>Princess Anne, MD</i>		276	10
12 Duquesne University, <i>Pittsburgh, PA</i>		272	11
13 Newman University, <i>Wichita, KS</i>		230	13
14 Mercyhurst University, <i>Erie, PA</i>		199	14
15 Fairleigh Dickinson University, <i>Teaneck, NJ</i>		169	15
16 Lincoln Memorial University, <i>Harrogate, TN</i>		151	19
17 Sacred Heart University, <i>Fairfield, CT</i>		134	25
18 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, <i>Whitewater, WI</i>		122	20
19 University of Central Missouri, <i>Warrensburg, MO</i>		120	17
20 Mount St. Mary's University, <i>Emmitsburg, MD</i>		98	16
21 Medaille University, <i>Buffalo, NY</i>		90	18
22 Tulane University, <i>New Orleans, LA</i>		63	22
23 Delaware State University, <i>Dover, DE</i>		59	21
24 Morgan State University, <i>Baltimore, MD</i>		51	24
25 Merrimack College, <i>North Andover, MA</i>		32	23

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

Daemen University, Lewis University, Monmouth University, Saint Vincent College

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.