

For Immediate Release – NCAA Division II Championships

NW Missouri's Pitts, Fairmont State's Coach Calhoun Sweep Basketball Times Top D2r Honors

Winning. That is the major ingredient for a player of the year and coach of the year. And *Basketball Times'* top picks meet the requirement in aces. Capturing the honors are NCAA Division II's Justin Pitts of Northwest Missouri State as player of the year and Jerrod Calhoun of Fairmont State (W. Va.) as coach of the year as they move into the Elite Eight.

Pitts is joined on the All-America first team by other Elite Eight participants Matt Bingaya of Fairmont State and Justin Reyes of St. Thomas Aquinas (N.Y.).

Pitts, a 5-9 junior, averaged 20.5 points, 3.5 rebounds and 5.2 assists per game. Reyes, a 6-4 junior, averaged 20.4 points and 9.5 rebounds per game. Bingaya, a 6-4 senior, averaged 19.4 points and 7.3 rebounds per game.

Coach Calhoun's Fairmont State team racked up a 32-2 record this season, winning the Mountain East Conference regular-season championship and spending weeks in the number-one spot in D2 rankings.

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Basketball Times NCAA Division II All-Americans

Justin Pitts, Northwest Missouri State - Player of the Year
Jerrod Calhoun, Fairmont State (W. Va.) - Coach of the Year

First Team

<i>Name, School</i>	<i>Ht.</i>	<i>Yr.</i>
Matt Bingaya, Fairmont State (W. Va.)	6-7	Sr.
Justin Pitts, Northwest Missouri State	5-9	Jr.
Justin Reyes, St. Thomas Aquinas (NY)	6-4	Jr.
Michael Smith, Cal Baptist	6-4	Sr.
Taylor Stafford, Western Washington	6-1	Sr.

Second Team

Daeshon Francis, Permian Basin (Tex.)	6-3	Jr.
Braxton Reeves, East Central (Okla.)	6-4	Sr.
Devin Schmidt, Delta State (Miss.)	6-4	Sr.
Dustin Sleva, Shippensburg (Pa.)	6-8	Jr.
Jeril Taylor, Southern Indiana	6-4	Sr.

Third Team

A.J. Clark, Pfeiffer (N.C.)	5-10	Sr.
Charles Clark, Carson-Newman (Tenn.)	6-2	Jr.
Jeremiah Hill, Valdosta State (Ga.)	6-2	Sr.
Devin Gilligan, Southern New Hampshire	6-5	Sr.
Dan Monteroso, West Liberty (W. Va.)	6-3	Jr.

