



## National Association of Basketball Coaches

### NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Rankings

#### January 28, 2020 (Regular Season Poll #10)

	Record	Points	Last
1. Northwest Missouri State	18-1	400	2
2. Lincoln Memorial (Tenn.)	19-1	380	3
3. West Texas A&M	19-1	367	4
4. UC San Diego	19-1	356	5
5. Indiana (Pa.)	17-1	330	7
6. Nova Southeastern	15-2	315	8
7. Florida Southern	17-2	302	9
8. Bellarmine (Ky.)	15-2	287	1
9. Azusa Pacific (Calif.)	15-3	255	12
10. St. Edward's (Texas)	17-2	251	6
11. Ferris State (Mich.)	20-3	239	13
12. Jefferson (Pa.)	17-2	226	14
13. Missouri Southern	15-3	202	15
14. Bridgeport (Conn.)	16-2	190	17
15. Missouri-St. Louis	18-2	164	18
16. Alabama Huntsville	16-3	158	16
17. St. Thomas Aquinas (N.Y.)	17-3	144	10
18. Chico State (Calif.)	15-3	127	19
19. Dixie State (Utah)	16-3	95	23
20. Grand Valley State (Mich.)	16-3	93	11
21. Walsh (Ohio)	18-2	80	NR
22. Indianapolis (Ind.)	14-4	58	NR
23. Point Loma (Calif.)	15-3	42	NR
24. Shippensburg (Pa.)	16-3	41	NR
25. Valdosta State (Ga.)	15-3	18	NR

Records through games of January 26, 2020.

Last ranking is from poll released Jan. 21.

**First place votes** – Northwest Missouri State (16).

**Others receiving votes:** West Liberty (W.Va.) 15, Cal State San Bernardino 14, DBU (Texas) 13, Charleston (W.Va.) 6, Pittsburgh-Johnstown (Pa.) 6, Queens (N.C.) 6, Bentley (Mass.) 5, Seattle Pacific (Wash.) 4, UNC Pembroke 4, Lander (S.C.) 3, Rogers State (Okla.) 3, Le Moyne (N.Y.) 1, Lee (Tenn.) 1.

**Dropped out:** DBU (20), Charleston (21), West Chester (22), Queens, N.C. (24), Cal Poly Pomona (25).

#### Weekly Poll Notes:

Defending NCAA Division II champion Northwest Missouri State, who was the top-ranked team in the nation during the first three weeks of the 2019-20 season, returns to the top in the latest NABC/Division II rankings. The Bearcats moved back to No. 1 after Bellarmine dropped a pair of games a week ago; the Knights were in the top spot for the past six weeks.

Bellarmino fell to eighth due to the losses and was one of three top 10 teams that lost in the past week, as St. Edward's fell from sixth to 10<sup>th</sup> and St. Thomas Aquinas dropped to 10<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> after a last-second loss to Bridgeport, who moved up to 14<sup>th</sup> in the new poll.

Lincoln Memorial, West Texas A&M and UC San Diego all moved up one spot in the top five this week and Indiana (Pa.) returned to the top five after being as high as third earlier in the season. The lone newcomer to the top 10 is Azusa Pacific, who makes its first appearance among the top 10 this season.

The Lone Star Conference and Sunshine State Conference again have two teams apiece in this week's top 10, with West Texas A&M and St. Edward's as the representatives from the LSC and Nova Southeastern and Florida Southern from the SSC.

The final five teams this week all came from an unranked status into the top 25, but three of them – Indianapolis, Point Loma and Valdosta State – had all been ranked earlier in the year. The first-timers to the poll are Walsh, making its first appearance in the rankings since 2014 and Shippensburg, who has won nine straight games.

A total of 14 conferences have teams ranked in this week's top 25, led by three from the Great Lakes Valley Conference.

#### Top games on this week's schedule include:

Bentley at Le Moyne, Tuesday  
#2 Lincoln Memorial at Queens (N.C.), Saturday  
DBU at #10 St. Edward's, Saturday  
Rogers State at #13 Missouri Southern, Saturday