

National Association of Basketball Coaches

NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Rankings November 23, 2021 (Regular Season Poll #1)

	Record	Points	Last
1. Lubbock Christian, Texas	4-0	386	9
2. Truman State, Mo.	4-0	383	6
3. Northwest Missouri State	4-1	335	1
4. Mercyhurst, Pa.	4-0	332	12
5. Queens, N.C.	4-0	309	16
6. West Texas A&M	5-1	307	3
7. West Liberty, W.Va.	4-0	299	14
8. Nova Southeastern, Fla.	2-0	294	13
9. Indiana, Pa.	4-0	270	18
10. Fairmont State, W.Va.	4-0	218	22
11. Cal Poly Pomona	4-0	185	NR
12. Chico State, Calif.	3-0	179	NR
13. Augustana, S.D.	4-0	162	NR
14. Ferris State, Mich.	4-0	155	NR
15. Embry-Riddle, Fla.	6-0	145	NR
16. Hillsdale, Mich.	3-1	142	7
17. Augusta, Ga.	3-0	114	NR
18. Angelo State, Texas	4-0	110	NR
19. Hawai'i Hilo	4-0	82	NR
20. Valdosta State, Ga.	2-1	76	10
21. Cal State San Bernardino	4-0	73	NR
22. Lincoln Memorial, Tenn.	3-1	71	17
23. Grand Valley State, Mich.	2-0	69	NR
24. Southern New Hampshire	4-0	62	NR
25. DBU, Texas	3-1	50	19

Records through games of Nov. 21, 2021. Last ranking is from 2021-22 pre-season poll.

First place votes – Lubbock Christian (9), Northwest Missouri State (3), Truman State (3), Augustana (1). Others receiving votes: Minnesota State 41, Flagler (Fla.) 40, Southern Indiana 37, UNC Pembroke 36, Dominican (N.Y.) 34, Union (Tenn.) 29, Barry (Fla.) 26, Miles (Ala.) 20, Northern State (S.D.) 18, St. Thomas Aquinas (N.Y.) 13, Ashland (Ohio) 12, Alabama Huntsville 10, Washburn (Kan.) 9, UCCS (Colo.) 7, Upper Iowa 7, Charleston (W.Va.) 6, Seattle Pacific (Wash.) 6, Cal State San Marcos 5, Point Loma (Calif.) 5, Colorado Mesa 4, Florida Southern 4, Stonehill (Mass.) 3, St. Edward's (Texas) 2, Wingate (N.C.) 2, Biola (Calif.) 1, Fort Lewis (Colo.) 1, Missouri-St. Louis 1, Saint Rose (N.Y.) 1. Dropped out: Flagler (2), Colorado Mesa (4), Colorado School of Mines (5), St. Thomas Aquinas (8), Washburn (11), Northern State (15), Alabama Huntsville (20), Seattle Pacific (21), Florida Southern (23), Point Loma (24), Charleston (25).

Weekly Poll Notes:

A wild opening to the 2021-22 campaign has brought about a new top-ranked team in the first regular season NABC/Division II poll as Lubbock Christian, who was ranked ninth in the pre-season, has vaulted to the top spot for the first time as a member of NCAA Division II. The 4-0 Chaps reached the top thanks in part to two victories over teams that were ranked in the pre-season top five, including a Nov. 18 win over West Texas A&M.

Four teams received first place votes in this week's poll, including the teams ranked second and third – Truman State and Northwest Missouri State – that are set to face off Tuesday at Northwest. Both teams were in the Elite Eight last season, but Truman lost in the quarterfinal round to prevent a matchup of the two in the semifinals. Northwest fell from the top of the poll to third after a loss on Nov. 13 to Sioux Falls.

West Texas A&M dropped to sixth after its loss, but the other 13 teams among the top 15 in the poll are currently undefeated. Mercyhurst and Queens (N.C.), who were among the second 10 in the pre-season, moved into the top five this week, while West Liberty, Nova Southeastern, Indiana (Pa.) and Fairmont State jumped into the top 10.

As a sign of the early season volatility, a total of 11 unranked teams from the pre-season poll are now among the top 15. That group begins at No. 11 with Cal Poly Pomona, who beat then-No. 21 Seattle Pacific during the opening weekend of play and also posted an impressive road win at Biola on Saturday.

The first regular season poll has four teams representing the Lone Star Conference, led by Lubbock Christian (the other are West Texas A&M, No. 18 Angelo State and No. 25 DBU). Meanwhile, the California Collegiate Athletic Association – which did not have a single team in the preseason top 25 – has three in Cal Poly Pomona, No. 12 Chico State and No. 21 Cal State San Bernardino.

A total of 28 schools representing 19 conferences received votes outside the top 25 this week.