



National Association of Basketball Coaches NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Rankings

2025-26 Rankings – Oct. 28, 2025 (Pre-Season Poll)

Three teams that reached the NCAA Division II national semifinals last season were voted into the top three spots in the NABC/Division II pre-season rankings for the 2025-26 season. Defending champion Nova Southeastern was a near unanimous selection for the top spot as it heads into the season – which gets underway with five games on the slate – seeking its third national title in four years. Washburn and DBU, who both fell in the semifinal round, were picked for the second and third spots, respectively. The fourth team in that group, national finalist Cal State Dominguez Hills, is also in the pre-season rankings at No. 12.

Daemen, ranked first in the final poll of last season, comes into the pre-season at No. 4 and Mountain East Conference favorite Fairmont State is fifth. The next five teams are headed by Alabama Huntsville – whose only two losses a year ago came to Nova Southeastern – followed by Point Loma, Missouri S&T, Southwest Minnesota State and Colorado School of Mines.

A total of 63 schools from all 23 NCAA Division II conferences received votes in the pre-season rankings, with 20 of those conferences being represented in the top 25.

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	Record	Points	Previous	Season Opener
1. Nova Southeastern, Fla. (15)	36-1	399	2	Nov. 14 vs. #6 Alabama Huntsville
2. Washburn, Kan.	30-4	326	5	Nov. 1 vs. Augusta
3. DBU, Texas	34-5	325	4	Nov. 1 vs. #13 Michigan Tech
4. Daemen, N.Y. (1)	28-1	291	1	Nov. 1 vs. #19 Lenoir-Rhyne
5. Fairmont State, W.Va.	27-5	274	11	Nov. 14 vs. Bloomsburg
6. Alabama Huntsville	32-2	272	3	Nov. 14 at #1 Nova Southeastern
7. Point Loma, Calif.	29-6	258	9	Nov. 14 vs. #12 Cal State Dominguez Hills
8. Missouri S&T	25-6	240	12	Nov. 16 at Kentucky Wesleyan
9. Southwest Minnesota State	21-9	229	NR	Nov. 15 at Fort Hays State
10. Colorado School of Mines	29-5	214	7	Nov. 7 vs. Central Missouri
11. West Liberty, W.Va.	30-5	199	6	Nov. 14 vs. Clarion
12. Cal State Dominguez Hills	30-6	190	14	Nov. 14 vs. #7 Point Loma
13. Michigan Tech	24-8	144	23	Nov. 1 vs. #3 DBU
14. Lincoln Memorial, Tenn.	25-6	130	13	Nov. 14 vs. North Georgia
15. Florida Southern	26-9	126	18	Nov. 1 vs. Alaska Anchorage
16. Columbus State, Ga.	27-5	117	8	Nov. 14 vs. Southern Wesleyan
17. Black Hills State, S.D.	18-12	110	NR	Nov. 16 vs. Sul Ross State
18. Central Washington	22-10	97	NR	Oct. 31 vs. Cal State San Bernardino
19. Lenoir-Rhyne, N.C.	29-6	94	10	Nov. 1 vs. #4 Daemen
20. Southern Nazarene, Okla.	22-7	91	NR	Nov. 14 vs. Jamestown
21. Virginia State	22-9	76	NR	Nov. 14 vs. Shepherd
22. Gannon, Pa.	27-7	71	22	Nov. 14 at Bowie State
23. Findlay, Ohio	24-5	68	NR	Nov. 14 at Quincy
24. Bentley, Mass.	18-10	67	NR	Nov. 14 vs. Dominican (N.Y.)
25. Lubbock Christian, Texas	25-9	56	21	Nov. 1 vs. UVa-Wise

Others receiving votes: St. Cloud State (Minn.) 52, UNC Pembroke (N.C.) 49, St. Mary's (Texas) 46, Lake Superior State (Mich.) 45, Valdosta State (Ga.) 42, USCA (S.C.) 39, MSU Moorhead (Minn.) 37, Assumption (Mass.) 36, Rogers State (Okla.) 35, Miles (Ala.) 27, Lincoln (Mo.) 25, Minnesota Duluth 25, Adelphi (N.Y.) 24, Minnesota State 22, Northern Michigan 22, Chico State (Calif.) 21, Clark Atlanta (Ga.) 20, North Georgia 20, Catawba (N.C.) 15, Tampa (Fla.) 15, Concordia-St. Paul (Minn.) 12, Central Oklahoma 11, Dominican (N.Y.) 10, St. Thomas Aquinas (N.Y.) 10, Carson-Newman (Tenn.) 9, Northwest Nazarene (Idaho) 9, Fayetteville State (N.C.) 8, Cal State San Bernardino 7, Missouri-St. Louis 7, West Texas A&M 7, Cal Poly Pomona 6, Ferris State (Mich.) 6, Fort Hays State (Kan.) 6, Oklahoma Baptist 6, Colorado Mesa 2, Montana State Billings 1, Montevallo (Ala.) 1, Pace (N.Y.) 1.

Records are final from 2024-25 season. Previous ranking was from final ranking of the 2024-25 season.