



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

2016-17 Rankings – Feb. 28, 2017 (Poll #14)

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – With conference tournaments now in full force and the NCAA Tournament selections coming on Sunday, the top four spots remain the same in the new NABC/Division II men's basketball rankings heading into the final week before the start of the regionals.

Fairmont State retains the top spot in the poll after recording wins over Glenville State and Shepherd last week, while Indiana (Pa.) remains second and Northwest Missouri State third after each won a pair of games as well.

Fourth-ranked Bellarmine held off Southern Indiana to stay in that spot, while Kutztown moved up to fifth as the result of a loss by California Baptist. Hawai'i Pacific, who won the Pacific West regular season title as the result of CBU's setback, also moved past the Lancers to sixth this week.

Kentucky Wesleyan, currently on a 24-game winning streak, is seventh and California Baptist is eighth, while South Atlantic Conference foes Lincoln Memorial and Queens (N.C.) round out the top 10.

West Liberty, who dropped a triple overtime decision at Wheeling Jesuit Saturday, fell out of the top 10 to No. 11 this week, as did Southern Indiana to No. 12. Shippensburg is ranked 13th this week, while two regular season conference champions, Colorado School of Mines and Western Washington, own the next two positions.

Valdosta State jumped from 20th to 16th this week after taking the regular season title in the Gulf South Conference, while Ferris State and Findlay also rose four spots apiece. San Francisco State's loss to Cal Poly Pomona dropped the Gators to 19th, while Le Moyne made a four-position rise to 20th.

The final five spots this week are held by Fort Lewis, Pfeiffer, UT-Permian Basin, Southwest Minnesota State – who will be playing for the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference title Tuesday – and Tarleton State.

The NCAA will release the last of its three weekly regional rankings on Wednesday afternoon, with the selection show slated to air at 10:30 p.m. Eastern time on NCAA.com.

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		Record	Points	Last
1.	Fairmont State, W.Va. (15)	27-1	398	1
2.	Indiana, Pa.	26-2	375	2
3.	Northwest Missouri State	26-1	370	3
4.	Bellarmino, Ky. (1)	25-3	351	4
5.	Kutztown, Pa.	24-2	335	6
6.	Hawai'i Pacific	26-2	317	8
7.	Kentucky Wesleyan	26-2	299	9
8.	California Baptist	25-3	269	5
9.	Lincoln Memorial, Tenn.	24-4	261	11
10.	Queens, N.C.	25-3	253	12
11.	West Liberty, W.Va.	25-3	230	7
12.	Southern Indiana	25-3	219	10
13.	Shippensburg, Pa.	23-3	202	16
14.	Colorado School of Mines	24-4	193	18
15.	Western Washington	23-5	167	17
16.	Valdosta State, Ga.	24-4	164	20
17.	Ferris State, Mich.	24-4	139	21
18.	Findlay, Ohio	22-5	101	22
19.	San Francisco State, Calif.	23-4	98	13
20.	Le Moyne, N.Y.	22-5	84	24
21.	Fort Lewis, Colo.	23-5	79	14
22.	Pfeiffer, N.C.	25-3	61	25
23.	UT-Permian Basin	23-5	40	NR
24.	Southwest Minnesota State	24-5	33	NR
25.	Tarleton State, Texas	22-6	31	15

Others receiving votes: UC San Diego 28, Barry (Fla.) 27, MSU Moorhead 27, Delta State (Miss.) 11, Alabama-Huntsville 10, Saint Rose (N.Y.) 9, West Texas A&M 7, Wheeling Jesuit (W.Va.) 5, St. Thomas Aquinas (N.Y.) 4, Chico State (Calif.) 3.

Dropped out: MSU Moorhead (19), Alabama-Huntsville (23).

Records are through games of Sunday, Feb. 26, 2017.