



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

2025-26 Rankings – Jan. 6, 2026 (Poll #6)

Washburn and Daemen continue to hold onto the top two spots in the first NABC/Division II national rankings of the 2026 calendar year, while Nova Southeastern rose to third and two teams landed their first appearance among the top five this week.

Only five undefeated teams remain in the Division II ranks following the first weekend of the new year, with four of them – Washburn, Daemen, Anderson and Arkansas Fort Smith – listed among the top five. The fifth unbeaten team, Cal State East Bay, came in at No. 10 and is ranked in the top 10 for the first time in program history.

Between Arkansas Fort Smith and Cal State East Bay are four holdovers from last week's top 10 in Lubbock Christian, Southern Nazarene, Palm Beach Atlantic and Gannon.

Five teams that were outside the top 25 last week entered the rankings, led by No. 18 Northern Michigan. Virginia Union, who has been ranked for 219 weeks in its program history, returns for the first time in just over three seasons at No. 22, while Saint Martin's, Lenoir-Rhyne and Upper Iowa also forged their way back into the top 25 this week.

NABC Division II Coaches Poll (Jan. 6, 2026 – Regular Season Poll #6)

	Record	Points	Previous
1. Washburn, Kan. (16)	14-0	400	1
2. Daemen, N.Y.	15-0	383	2
3. Nova Southeastern, Fla.	10-1	360	4
4. Anderson, S.C.	12-0	336	7
5. Arkansas Fort Smith	13-0	305	11
6. Lubbock Christian, Texas	14-2	300	8
7. Southern Nazarene, Okla.	11-1	280	9
8. Palm Beach Atlantic, Fla.	12-1	273	3
9. Gannon, Pa.	12-1	272	10
10. Cal State East Bay	12-0	261	12
11. Black Hills State, S.D.	11-1	234	15
12. Michigan Tech	12-2	210	5
13. West Liberty, W.Va.	9-2	193	16
14. West Alabama	13-1	191	18
15. North Georgia	9-2	187	6
16. Missouri S&T	10-2	154	17
17. St. Edward's, Texas	14-2	144	13
18. Northern Michigan	13-1	132	NR
19. Eastern New Mexico	12-1	121	24
20. West Texas A&M	12-3	98	14
21. Virginia Union	12-1	62	NR
22. Saint Martin's, Wash.	12-2	47	NR
23. St. Mary's, Texas	10-3	43	20
24. Lenoir-Rhyne, N.C.	11-3	38	NR
25. Upper Iowa	10-2	32	NR

Others receiving votes: Montana State Billings 24, Central Missouri 22, Fairmont State (W.Va.) 14, Alabama Huntsville 10, Miles (Ala.) 9, DBU (Texas) 8, UVA-Wise (Va.) 7, Oklahoma Baptist 6, Fort Hays State (Kan.) 5, Indiana (Pa.) 5, Seton Hill (Pa.) 5, McKendree (Ill.) 4, Concord (W.Va.) 3, Florida Southern 3, Ouachita Baptist (Ark.) 3, Point Loma (Calif.) 3, Saint Anselm (N.H.) 3, Grand Valley State (Mich.) 2, Walsh (Ohio) 2, West Florida 2, Missouri Western 1.

Dropped out: Fairmont State (19), Miles (21), Adelphi (22), Montana State Billings (23), Indiana, Pa. (25).

Records are through games of Jan. 4, 2026. The next poll will be released on Tuesday, Jan. 13.