



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

2017-18 Rankings – Jan. 9, 2018 (Poll #7)

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – For the first time this season, a new team occupies the top position in the NABC/Division II coaches poll as Queens (N.C.) reached the top of the list for the first time in school history at the Division II level.

The Royals moved to the head of the poll after Northwest Missouri State, who had held the No. 1 spot since the beginning of the season, lost last Thursday at Missouri Southern. Queens will get an immediate test this weekend when it hosts No. 5 Lincoln Memorial in Charlotte.

Between Queens and Northwest – who fell to fourth after its loss – are two of the four remaining unbeaten teams in Division II in Bellarmine and West Liberty.

Last week's schedule also saw losses by three other teams in the top 10, creating some reshuffling in the new poll. UT-Permian Basin moved up to sixth and Ferris State to seventh, while West Texas A&M vaulted to eighth and two teams making their first appearance in the top 10 this season complete the first 10 – Northern State at No. 9 and Western Oregon at No. 10.

Barry, one of those top 10 teams to suffer a loss, fell to 11th as a result, while Texas A&M-Commerce and Virginia State moved up to 12th and 13th, respectively. Arkansas-Fort Smith also fell out of the top 10 to 14th, while West Florida stayed at No. 15 despite dropping its first game of the year last week.

Findlay came in at No. 16 and West Chester moved up to 17th; however, the Rams' loss Monday at Bloomsburg, ending WCU's undefeated run, is not factored into this week's poll. Christian Brothers fell from fifth to 18th after it lost two of its three games a week ago, while Wheeling Jesuit and the last of the four remaining unbeaten teams, Morehouse, round out the top 20.

The final five spots in the poll are held by Fort Lewis, Colorado School of Mines, Dallas Baptist, California Baptist (who also had a loss Monday at Dixie State that is not reflected in the rankings) and Cal Poly Pomona, who is in the national top 25 for the first time in two seasons.

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	Record	Points	Last
1. Queens, N.C. (13)	15-0	392	2
2. Bellarmine, Ky. (3)	13-0	387	3
3. West Liberty, W.Va.	13-0	368	4
4. Northwest Missouri State	13-1	343	1
5. Lincoln Memorial, Tenn.	14-1	342	6
6. UT-Permian Basin	12-1	320	8
7. Ferris State, Mich.	16-1	299	10
8. West Texas A&M	14-1	287	11
9. Northern State, S.D.	16-1	256	13
10. Western Oregon	13-1	253	14
11. Barry, Fla.	10-2	210	7
12. Texas A&M-Commerce	13-1	198	18
13. Virginia State	13-1	189	17
14. Arkansas-Fort Smith	14-1	183	9
15. West Florida	13-1	150	15
16. Findlay, Ohio	16-2	129	21
17. West Chester, Pa.	12-0	126	23
18. Christian Brothers, Tenn.	12-2	119	5
19. Wheeling Jesuit, W.Va.	11-2	116	19
20. Morehouse, Ga.	13-0	100	25
21. Fort Lewis, Colo.	13-2	95	20
22. Colorado School of Mines	12-2	93	12
23. Dallas Baptist, Texas	12-2	59	16
24. California Baptist	12-2	44	NR
25. Cal Poly Pomona	10-2	35	NR

Others receiving votes: Claflin (S.C.) 30, William Jewell (Mo.) 14, Valdosta State (Ga.) 12, Carson-Newman (Tenn.) 11, Eckerd (Fla.) 11, Southern New Hampshire 10, Chaminade (Hawaii) 4, Kutztown (Pa.) 4, Lake Superior State (Mich.) 3, Western Washington 3, Southern Nazarene (Okla.) 2, Minot State (N.D.) 1, Cal State San Marcos 1.

Dropped out: Eckerd (22), Lake Superior State (24).

Records are through games of Jan. 7, 2018.