



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

2025-26 Rankings – Jan. 27, 2026 (Poll #9)

Washburn remains as the top-ranked team for the sixth consecutive week in the latest NABC/Division II, but the first regular season loss suffered by Daemen in nearly two years and setbacks for three other top 10 teams last week has shuffled the rankings heading into the final week of January.

Daemen's loss to Gannon – who moved up to seventh as a result of that victory last Wednesday – moved Nova Southeastern up to second; the Sharks recorded a 21-point win over then-No. 4 Palm Beach Atlantic Saturday to vault to the second spot. The third-ranked team this week is Cal State East Bay, who is at its highest point ever in a national poll as it remained as one of two undefeated teams in NCAA Division II.

Daemen fell to fourth as the result of its loss, while Anderson – who picked up a win over a ranked team last week as well with a road win over Lenoir-Rhyne – moved up to fifth. The next five spots are occupied by Michigan Tech, Gannon, Palm Beach Atlantic, Lubbock Christian and Northern Michigan, giving the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference two teams in the top 10 along with the Sunshine State Conference.

New to the rankings this week: Grand Valley State is ranked for the first time this season at No. 23 as is Ouachita Baptist at No. 25, while DBU returns to the poll at No. 24.

NABC Division II Coaches Poll (Jan. 27, 2026 – Regular Season Poll #9)

	Record	Points	Previous
1. Washburn, Kan. (16)	20-0	400	1
2. Nova Southeastern, Fla.	15-1	380	3
3. Cal State East Bay	18-0	359	5
4. Daemen, N.Y.	21-1	333	2
5. Anderson, S.C.	17-1	327	7
6. Michigan Tech	18-2	318	6
7. Gannon, Pa.	17-2	313	10
8. Palm Beach Atlantic, Fla.	17-2	291	4
9. Lubbock Christian, Texas	17-3	254	11
10. Northern Michigan	18-2	239	13
11. Saint Martin's, Wash.	17-2	237	12
12. West Alabama	17-2	206	8
13. West Liberty, W.Va.	15-3	201	14
14. Fairmont State, W.Va.	15-3	157	17
15. Oklahoma Baptist	15-2	149	20
16. Missouri S&T	13-3	147	9
17. Arkansas Fort Smith	15-3	145	16
18. Eastern New Mexico	15-3	115	19
19. Black Hills State, S.D.	15-3	112	21
20. Walsh, Ohio	15-2	106	23
21. Lenoir-Rhyne, N.C.	16-4	78	15
22. St. Edward's, Texas	17-4	42	25
23. Grand Valley State, Mich.	15-3	40	NR
24. DBU, Texas	15-5	34	NR
25. Ouachita Baptist, Ark.	14-3	32	NR

Others receiving votes: West Florida 26, Virginia Union 25, Felician (N.J.) 24, Fort Hays State (Kan.) 24, McKendree (Ill.) 20, Point Loma (Calif.) 14, Southern Nazarene (Okla.) 12, Florida Southern 10, Southwest Minnesota State 8, Indiana (Pa.) 7, Lander (S.C.) 6, Saint Anselm (N.H.) 6, UVA-Wise (Va.) 2, St. Cloud State (Minn.) 1.

Dropped out: Southern Nazarene (18), Virginia Union (22), North Georgia (24).

Records are through games of Jan. 25, 2026. The next poll will be released on Tuesday, Feb. 3.