



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

## 2015-16 Rankings – Nov. 24, 2015 (Poll #1)

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – An opening day loss by pre-season No. 1 Augustana has allowed Tarleton State to take the top spot in the first NABC/Division II ranking of the 2015-16 regular season.

The Texans, a national semifinalist last season, have opened their season with four straight wins that includes one over a Delta State team that received consideration this week.

It is the third time in school history that Tarleton State has moved up to No. 1 as a member of NCAA Division II and first time since Feb. 17, 2004 when it was in the last of its five weeks as the nation's top-ranked squad.

The second- and third-ranked teams also moved up a spot from the pre-season poll, as West Liberty – who averaged 113.5 points in its first three wins – and Bellarmine are the occupants of those spots. California Baptist, off to a 6-0 start, vaulted all the way to fourth and Drury made a bigger jump of 11 spots to fifth this week.

Augustana bounced back from its loss to Washburn to beat then-No. 14 Northwest Missouri State on a last-second shot and landed at sixth this week, followed by a pair of teams that moved up from the bottom half of the second 10, Southern Connecticut State and Chico State.

Minnesota State-Moorhead remained at No. 9 after winning five straight games after an opening loss at the CCA/Division II Classic, while Western Oregon completes the top 10 in the first poll.

Midwestern State moved up to 11<sup>th</sup> this week and Cal Poly Pomona came in at No. 12 as one of nine teams outside the top 25 in the pre-season to make their way into the first regular season rankings. Angelo State is the third Lone Star Conference team among the top 13, while Fairmont State and King complete the first 15.

Central Missouri came in at No. 16, while Lincoln Memorial dropped from fifth to 17<sup>th</sup> this week after its opening day loss to King. Ferris State came in at No. 18, while Alabama-Huntsville and UNC Pembroke fell back to 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, respectively.

The final five teams in this week's poll are Colorado School of Mines, Queens (N.C.), Seattle Pacific, Rollins and Philadelphia.

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	Record	Points	Last
1. Tarleton State, Texas (10)	4-0	389	2
2. West Liberty, W.Va. (2)	4-0	384	3
3. Bellarmine, Ky. (3)	3-0	373	4
4. California Baptist	6-0	351	11
5. Drury, Mo.	3-0	311	16
6. Augustana, S.D.	1-1	264	1
7. Southern Connecticut State	3-0	259	19
8. Chico State, Calif.	2-0	257	17
9. Minnesota State-Moorhead	5-1	253	9
10. Western Oregon	4-0	247	21
11. Midwestern State, Texas	3-0	234	22
12. Cal Poly Pomona	4-0	188	NR
13. Angelo State, Texas	5-0	158	NR
14. Fairmont State, W.Va. (1)	3-0	145	NR
15. King, Tenn.	4-0	138	NR
16. Central Missouri	4-0	126	NR
17. Lincoln Memorial, Tenn.	2-1	125	5
18. Ferris State, Mich.	4-0	123	NR
19. Alabama-Huntsville	3-1	122	12
20. UNC Pembroke	4-1	112	13
21. Colorado School of Mines	2-1	76	10
22. Queens, N.C.	3-0	66	NR
23. Seattle Pacific, Wash.	3-1	47	NR
24. Rollins, Fla.	5-0	46	NR
25. Philadelphia, Pa.	4-1	35	25

**Others receiving votes:** Western Washington 34, Delta State (Miss.) 29, Northwest Missouri State 25, Fort Lewis (Colo.) 24, UC San Diego 24, Indianapolis (Ind.) 23, Wingate (N.C.) 22, Barry (Fla.) 20, Missouri Southern 19, West Chester (Pa.) 15, Fort Hays State (Kan.) 13, Central Washington 12, Newman (Kan.) 11, Bowie State (Md.) 10, Grand Valley State (Mich.) 10, Arkansas Tech 9, Montevallo (Ala.) 8, Wisconsin-Parkside 8, Ashland (Ohio) 7, Claflin (S.C.) 7, Augusta (Ga.) 6, Azusa Pacific (Calif.) 5, Alderson-Broaddus (W.Va.) 4, Benedict (S.C.) 4, Metropolitan State (Colo.) 4, Minnesota State 4, Arkansas-Fort Smith 3, Columbus State (Ga.) 3, Mercyhurst (Pa.) 3, Saint Anselm (N.H.) 3, Indiana (Pa.) 1, Kentucky Wesleyan 1.

Records are through games of Sunday, Nov. 22, 2015. Last ranking was from the 2015-16 pre-season poll.

**Dropped out:** Mount Olive (6), Indiana, Pa. (7), Indianapolis (8), Northwest Missouri State (14), Western Washington (15), Metropolitan State (18), Montevallo (20), Augusta (23), Barry (24).