



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

## 2017-18 Rankings – Jan. 2, 2018 (Poll #6)

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – A light schedule around NCAA Division II last week – as teams were returning to their campuses after the winter break – led to very little movement in this week's NABC/Division II men's basketball rankings.

The top 14 spots remained the same and 24 of the 25 teams ranked in last week's top 25 stayed in this week as only two ranked teams suffered losses coming out of the break. Lake Superior State fell on Saturday at Southern Indiana but stayed in the top 25 at No. 24, while Southern New Hampshire fell out after its setback Saturday at Florida Southern.

Northwest Missouri State continues to hold onto the top spot in the rankings and Queens (N.C.) stayed at No. 2 after its win at Tarleton State over the weekend. Bellarmine won its 50<sup>th</sup> straight game at home to hold onto the third spot, while West Liberty and Christian Brothers stayed at fourth and fifth, respectively.

The next five positions are still held by Lincoln Memorial, Barry, UT-Permian Basin, Arkansas-Fort Smith and Ferris State, while the next four teams in the poll – West Texas A&M, Colorado School of Mines, Northern State and Western Oregon – all stayed in their spots as well.

The loss by Lake Superior State, who was 15<sup>th</sup>, allowed West Florida to move into that spot, while Dallas Baptist also moved up one position. Texas A&M-Commerce moved up two spots to 20<sup>th</sup> as a result of the Southern New Hampshire loss, as did Wheeling Jesuit and Fort Lewis into the top 20.

Findlay, Eckerd and West Chester also moved up two spots apiece to head up the final five this week, with Lake Superior State dropping to No. 24. The final place in this week's poll is occupied by undefeated Morehouse, who makes its first appearance in the top 25 since Feb. 12, 1995.

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		Record	Points	Last
1.	Northwest Missouri St. (15)	12-0	399	1
2.	Queens, N.C. (1)	13-0	379	2
3.	Bellarmine, Ky.	11-0	370	3
4.	West Liberty, W.Va.	11-0	353	4
5.	Christian Brothers, Tenn.	11-0	335	5
6.	Lincoln Memorial, Tenn.	12-1	317	6
7.	Barry, Fla.	9-1	289	7
8.	UT-Permian Basin	10-1	279	8
9.	Arkansas-Fort Smith	13-0	278	9
10.	Ferris State, Mich.	14-1	256	10
11.	West Texas A&M	12-1	239	11
12.	Colorado School of Mines	12-1	227	12
13.	Northern State, S.D.	14-1	215	13
14.	Western Oregon	11-1	200	14
15.	West Florida	11-0	178	16
16.	Dallas Baptist, Texas	11-1	147	17
17.	Virginia State	10-1	123	18
18.	Texas A&M-Commerce	11-1	104	20
19.	Wheeling Jesuit, W.Va.	9-2	81	21
20.	Fort Lewis, Colo.	11-2	72	22
21.	Findlay, Ohio	14-2	71	23
22.	Eckerd, Fla.	12-1	62	24
23.	West Chester, Pa.	10-0	58	25
24.	Lake Superior State, Mich.	11-2	52	15
25.	Morehouse, Ga.	10-0	27	NR

**Others receiving votes:** California Baptist 20, William Jewell (Mo.) 19, Cal Poly Pomona 16, Southern New Hampshire 11, Valdosta State (Ga.) 10, Arkansas Tech 5, Cal State San Marcos 5, Angelo State (Texas) 3, Francis Marion (S.C.) 3, Minot State (N.D.) 3, Claflin (S.C.) 2, Carson-Newman (Tenn.) 1, Southern Indiana 1.

**Dropped out:** Southern New Hampshire (19).

Records are through games of Dec. 31, 2017.