



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

2018-19 Rankings – Dec. 21, 2018 (Poll #5)

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Six of the nine remaining undefeated teams in NCAA Division II head up the final NABC/Division II poll for the 2018 calendar year, led by the same four teams that have led the rankings throughout the season.

The top four spots remained the same with Bellarmine stayed atop the poll and Northwest Missouri State, Indiana (Pa.) and Saint Anselm in the next three spots. Two additional unbeaten squads, Nova Southeastern and USC Aiken, moved up into the next two positions in the poll.

Seventh-ranked Florida Southern is the highest-ranked team with a loss on its record, but enters the NCAA winter break on a five-game winning streak that it will take into a road contest against Nova Southeastern on Dec. 29. Cal Poly Pomona rose one spot to eighth, while Valdosta State fell to ninth after losing for the first time and undefeated Ashland jumps into the top 10 for the first time since late in the 2015-16 campaign.

Morehouse rose to 11th and Chaminade, who captured four games in four days including a win over then No. 14 UC San Diego to win the D2 Power Invitational in Honolulu earlier this week jumped eight spots in the poll to 12th. West Texas A&M checks in at No. 13 and UC San Diego dropped to 14th.

Bentley, West Liberty and Queens (N.C.) all moved up two spots apiece and St. Thomas Aquinas made a three-spot jump to 18th in front of Southern Nazarene, who dropped to 19th after suffering a loss in the tournament in Hawai'i. The next three teams in the poll – Missouri Southern, Saint Martin's and St. Edward's – all rose two spots ahead of Findlay, who fell to 23rd after a loss to Lewis on Wednesday.

Point Loma joined the top 25 for just the second time as an NCAA Division II member as it checks in at No. 24 ahead of Shippensburg, who remained at No. 25 going into the winter break.

Lynn, the last of the undefeated teams in NCAA Division II, is the first team outside the top 25 and Lewis is right behind the Knights after picking up the win over Findlay.

Play on the floor for NCAA Division II squads will resume on Dec. 28 and most conference will resume their conference schedules on that first weekend or immediately after the start of the new year.

NABC/Division II Rankings (Dec. 21, 2018 – Regular Season Poll #5)

	Record	Points	Last
1. Bellarmine, Ky. (16)	9-0	400	1
2. Northwest Missouri State	11-0	384	2
3. Indiana, Pa.	11-0	367	3
4. Saint Anselm, N.H.	9-0	353	4
5. Nova Southeastern, Fla.	9-0	331	6
6. USC Aiken	11-0	318	8
7. Florida Southern	9-1	280	10
8. Cal Poly Pomona	5-1	277	9
9. Valdosta State, Ga.	10-1	273	5
10. Ashland, Ohio	10-0	238	16
11. Morehouse, Ga.	9-1	218	15
12. Chaminade, Hawai'i	10-0	207	20
13. West Texas A&M	12-2	202	13
14. UC San Diego	10-2	186	7
15. Bentley, Mass.	10-1	183	17
16. West Liberty, W.Va.	8-2	144	18
17. Queens, N.C.	12-2	130	19
18. St. Thomas Aquinas, N.Y.	9-1	108	21
19. Southern Nazarene, Okla.	10-2	106	11
20. Missouri Southern	10-1	101	22
21. Saint Martin's, Wash.	9-1	94	23
22. St. Edward's, Texas	11-1	86	24
23. Findlay, Ohio	9-2	47	14
24. Point Loma, Calif.	9-2	39	NR
25. Shippensburg, Pa.	10-2	36	25

Others receiving votes: Lynn (Fla.) 25, Lewis (Ill.) 21, Daemen (N.Y.) 7, Western Oregon 6, Tarleton State (Texas) 4, Texas A&M-Commerce 4, UNC Pembroke 3, Eckerd (Fla.) 2, St. Cloud State (Minn.) 2, Fairmont State (W.Va.) 1, Washburn (Kan.) 1.

Dropped out: Barry (12).

Records are through games of Wednesday, Dec. 19.