

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

## 2018-19 Rankings – Jan. 15, 2019 (Poll #7)

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Heading into play last week, there were six undefeated teams in NCAA Division II. That list was thinned over the last seven days as four of the six suffered losses during that span, resulting in a significant shift in this week's NABC/Division II rankings.

In fact, not only did four of the six – which made up the top of last week's rankings – drop contests, three additional top 10 teams also fell during the week as well to add to the reshuffling of the poll.

The top two teams in last week's poll, Bellarmine and Northwest Missouri State, remained perfect and continue to lead the rankings, while the next two teams, Morehouse and St. Edward's, reached their highest-ever point in the rankings at third and fourth, respectively.

However, Morehouse suffered a loss Monday night at Benedict, a result that is not reflected in this week's rankings as only games played through Sunday are considered.

The four previous undefeated teams all dropped two spots apiece in the new poll, with Indiana (Pa.) coming in at No. 5, followed by Nova Southeastern, USC Aiken and Ashland. West Liberty moved back into the top 10 at No. 9, as did Queens (N.C.) in the 10<sup>th</sup> spot.

Point Loma also reached its highest point in the rankings as an NCAA Division II program as the Sea Lions moved up to 11<sup>th</sup>, followed by Findlay, UC San Diego, St. Thomas Aquinas and Saint Anselm.

West Texas A&M dropped eight spots this week to No. 16 following a loss to Texas A&M-Kingsville, while Lynn advanced four position to 17<sup>th</sup>. Bentley dropped to No. 18, while Chaminade moved up one to 19<sup>th</sup> and Texas A&M-Commerce rose four places to 20<sup>th</sup> after its win over then No. 23 Tarleton State in the only matchup last week of ranked teams.

The final five spots in this week's poll are Valdosta State, Florida Southern, Saint Martin's, Catawba and Southern Nazarene. Saint Martin's is back in the top 25 after recently dropping out, while Catawba is ranked for the first time in nearly a decade; its last appearance came on Feb. 3, 2009.

## This week's national schedule features:

#17 Lynn at #6 Nova Southeastern, Wednesday #10 Queens (N.C.) at #24 Catawba, Wednesday #20 Texas A&M-Commerce at #16 West Texas A&M, Thursday

#11 Point Loma at #19 Chaminade, Thursday

## NABC/Division II Rankings (Jan. 15, 2019 – Regular Season Poll #7)

		Record	Points	Last
1.	Bellarmine, Ky. (16)	14-0	400	1
2.	Northwest Missouri State	16-0	384	2
3.	Morehouse, Ga.	13-1	358	7
4.	St. Edward's, Texas	15-1	350	11
5.	Indiana, Pa.	14-1	327	3
6.	Nova Southeastern, Fla.	13-1	313	4
7.	USC Aiken	13-1	297	5
8.	Ashland, Ohio	14-1	281	6
9.	West Liberty, W.Va.	11-2	267	12
10.	Queens, N.C.	15-2	235	13
11.	Point Loma, Calif.	13-2	217	16
12.	Findlay, Ohio	14-2	209	17
13.	UC San Diego	14-3	168	18
14.	St. Thomas Aquinas, N.Y.	13-2	159	19
15.	Saint Anselm, N.H.	12-2	155	9
16.	West Texas A&M	16-3	150	8
17.	Lynn, Fla.	13-1	144	21
18.	Bentley, Mass.	14-2	140	10
19.	Chaminade, Hawai'i	13-2	124	20
20.	Texas A&M-Commerce	13-2	102	24
21.	Valdosta State, Ga.	13-3	84	14
22.	Florida Southern	12-3	72	22
23.	Saint Martin's, Wash.	12-2	53	NR
24.	Catawba, N.C.	13-2	37	NR
25.	Southern Nazarene, Okla.	13-3	34	15

Others receiving votes: Shippensburg (Pa.) 22, Southern Arkansas 19, Northwest Nazarene (Idaho) 13, UNC Pembroke 12, Colorado School of Mines 11, Belmont Abbey (N.C.) 9, Lenoir-Rhyne (N.C.) 9, Lincoln (Mo.) 9, Missouri Southern 8, Northern State (S.D.) 8, Tarleton State (Texas) 8, Eckerd (Fla.) 4, Western Oregon 3, Cal State East Bay 2, Fairmont State (W.Va.) 2, Seattle Pacific (Wash.) 2, Davenport (Mich.) 1.

Dropped out: Tarleton State (23), UNC Pembroke (25)

Records are through games of Sunday, Jan. 13.