



National Association of Basketball Coaches

NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Rankings

March 9, 2021 (Poll #13 – Final Poll)

	Record	Points	Last
1. Colorado Mesa	21-1	385	4
2. Northern State (S.D.)	18-1	374	6
3. Mercyhurst (Pa.)	11-0	355	3
4. Northwest Missouri State	23-2	348	1
5. West Texas A&M	15-2	339	8
6. Colorado School of Mines	16-2	302	5
7. Truman State (Mo.)	18-2	291	2
8. Flagler (Fla.)	15-2	282	10
9. Hillsdale (Mich.)	20-2	267	9
10. Lubbock Christian (Texas)	17-2	242	7
11. St. Thomas Aquinas (N.Y.)	13-1	224	15
12. Alabama Huntsville	14-3	215	11
13. Lincoln Memorial (Tenn.)	16-3	212	13
14. Valdosta State (Ga.)	17-4	181	21
15. Charleston (W.Va.)	14-3	164	12
16. DBU (Texas)	16-4	127	16
17. Washburn (Kan.)	19-6	110	NR
18. West Liberty (W.Va.)	15-4	105	19
19. Belmont Abbey (N.C.)	18-4	103	NR
20. Fairmont State (W.Va.)	15-4	94	NR
21. Arkansas Monticello	16-4	86	NR
22. Queens (N.C.)	16-5	82	17
23. Carson-Newman (Tenn.)	16-5	63	NR
24. Point Loma (Calif.)	8-2	61	18
25. Lee (Tenn.)	14-5	60	23

Records through Sunday, March 7, 2021.
Last ranking is from poll of March 2, 2021.

First place votes – Colorado Mesa (8), Mercyhurst (4), Northern State (2), Northwest Missouri State (2).

Others receiving votes: Texas A&M-Kingsville 56, Northwest Nazarene (Idaho) 22, Southern Indiana 20, Findlay (Ohio) 11, Biola (Calif.) 10, Michigan Tech 8, Oklahoma Baptist 1.

Dropped out: Texas A&M-Kingsville (14), Findlay (20), Northwest Nazarene (22), Hawai'i Hilo (24), Georgia College (25).

Weekly Poll Notes:

Colorado Mesa – who had been ranked in only two previous seasons at the NCAA Division II level prior to the current one – parlayed its Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference championship into a number one ranking in the final NABC/Division II coaches poll for the 2020-21 campaign.

The Mavericks knocked off then No. 5 Colorado School of Mines for the second time in three weeks to vault to the top spot for the first time in school history. It also marks the first time that two teams from the same conference have been ranked No. 1 in the same season since the 2017-18 year when Queens (N.C.) and Lincoln Memorial of the South Atlantic Conference both reached that spot.

Colorado Mesa is also the No. 1 seed in the West Regional that begins Friday and would see Colorado School of Mines (the regional host) again in the championship game if both teams win their semifinal games on Saturday. All of the No. 1 seeds for the NCAA regional tournaments – the other seven start Saturday – are among the top 25 teams in the final poll.

No. 2 Northern State leads the pack in the Central Regional that also includes No. 4 Northwest Missouri State, while No. 5 West Texas A&M is the top seed in the South Central Regional. No. 7 Truman State, No. 8 Flagler and No. 9 Hillsdale are also top 10 teams that hold the top seeds in their respective regionals.

The other two top seeds in the top 25 are No. 11 St. Thomas Aquinas and No. 19 Belmont Abbey, who is among five teams that moved into the top 25 after winning conference tournaments over the weekend.

Washburn stunned Northwest Missouri State on Tyler Geiman's shot from beyond mid-court to win the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association title and move the Ichabods back into the poll at No. 17. Belmont Abbey came in at No. 19 after capturing the Conference Carolinas title and No. 20 Fairmont State edged West Liberty for the Mountain East championship. The other newcomers to the poll are No. 21 Arkansas Monticello (Great American Conference winner) and No. 23 Carson-Newman (South Atlantic Conference champion).