

The National Tenpin Coaches Association 2017-2018 December Poll

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Nebraska holds No. 1 ranking in December Poll

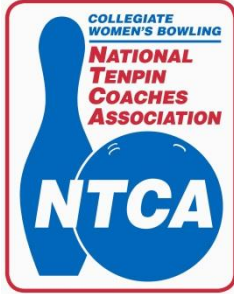
BROOKLYN, NY. --- University of Nebraska receives 36 first place votes to climb back to the top of the National Tenpin Coaches Association December Poll. The Cornhuskers started the season 33 and 5, with two first place finishes in three tournament appearances. McKendree University also received a first place vote and is No.2 to wrap up the Fall semester.

Arkansas State University, Vanderbilt University, and Sam Houston State University keep the same ranking from the 2017-2018 NTCA Preseason Poll. Arkansas State won the 2017 Warhawk Classic for the second straight season. Vanderbilt University finished third at the 2017 Warhawk Classic and finished with a top four appearance at the 2017 Hawk Classic Invitational. Sam Houston State University was victorious at the same 2017 Hawk Classic Invitational.

Delaware State University breaks into the top 10, holding strong at No. 6. The Hornets are leading the Northern Division of the Mid Eastern Athletic Conference. Stephen F. Austin State University and the University of Maryland Eastern Shore round out the top 8.

Other top 10 teams include, Tulane University and Fairleigh Dickinson University. Tulane University makes the biggest jump from the last poll, going from 17th to 10th to complete the top ten of the 2017-2018 NTCA December Poll.

NCAA bowling competes as a National Collegiate sport, in which all three divisions compete for one National Championship. This year's National Championship will be held in St. Louis, Missouri. It will be the first year that automatic qualifiers will take place in the sport of bowling; the six established conference winners will be added to the four schools selected at-large, who will compete for eight spots at the championship.



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	W-L	1 st Place Votes	Adjusted Pts	Previously Ranked	
1	University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE	33-5	36	1437	2
2	McKendree University, <i>Lebanon, IL</i>	28-9	1	1328	1
3	Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR	27-12		1224	3
4	Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN	35-16		1160	4
5	Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX	35-15	1	1126	5
6	Delaware State University, Dover, DE	33-11		1018	12
7	Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, TX	31-20		996	6
8	University of Maryland Eastern Shore, Princess Anne, MD	29-17		847	7
9	Tulane University, New Orleans, LA	23-15		715	17
10	Fairleigh Dickinson University, Teaneck, NJ	24-14		704	8
11	University of Central Missouri, Warrensburg, MO	22-16		674	10
12	Sacred Heart University, Fairfield, CT	27-17		611	9
13	Adelphi University, Garden City, NY	25-15		566	15
T14	University of Alabama Birmingham, Birmingham, AL	33-16		446	19
T14	LIU Brooklyn, Brooklyn, NY	31-18		446	16
16	St. Francis University, Loretto, PA	24-25		390	14
17	North Carolina A&T, Greensboro, NC	26-21		276	18
18	University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, WI	22-14		222	11
19	Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, LA	29-21		175	NR
20	Maryville University, St. Louis, MO	20-19		141	NR
21	Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, NC	12-0		119	NR
22	Alabama State University, Montgomery, AL	27-11		117	NR
23	Lincoln Memorial University, Harrogate, TN	23-27		103	NR
24	Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ	21-31		99	13
25	Prairie View A&M University, Prairie View, TX	17-21		98	20

Also receiving points:

Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA; Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, IN; Youngstown State University, Youngstown, OH; Kutztown University, Kutztown, PA; Franklin Pierce University, Rindge, NH; St Francis College-Brooklyn, Brooklyn, NY; Felician University, Rutherford, NJ

Point system: NTCA submitted ballots rank the top 25 programs in the sport of NCAA bowling. Each position has a designated point value, ranging from 40 points for first place and one point for twenty-fifth place. To be ranked teams need to equal or surpass the minimum vote criteria, which is one vote for every eight ballots submitted. The actual ranking position is determined by using the adjusted point standings, which lists in priority order the total points a school has accumulated after the highest and lowest votes are dropped. The specific point values follow: 1st place = 40 points, 2nd =37, 3rd =35, 4th =33, 5th =31, 6th =29, 7th =27, 8th =25, 9th =23, 10th =21, 11th =19, 12th =17, 13th =15, 14th =13, 15th =11, 16th =10, 17th =9, 18th =8, 19th =7, 20th =6, 21st =5, 22nd =4, 23rd =3, 24th =2, 25th =1.