

# The National Tenpin Coaches Association 2017-18 DII/DIII Final Poll

April 25, 2018

## McKendree Dominates DII/DIII Poll

WHITEWATER, Wis. ---The Bearcats of McKendree University finished second at the 2018 National Collegiate Women's Bowling Championship on Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup> to Vanderbilt University. McKendree finished the regular season with a record of 91-24 and recorded five tournament victories including the MIAA Conference Championship. Shannon O'Keefe was voted Co-DII/DIII Coach of the Year and Breanna Clemmer was voted DII/DIII Player of the Year. Sarah Wille, Taylor Bailey, Jessica Mellott and Lauren Pate also earned NTCA All-America honors. McKendree received all 23 first place votes and was voted No. 2 in the NTCA all divisions poll.

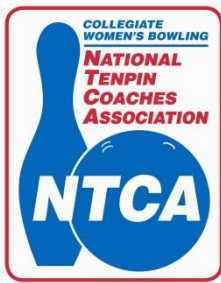
Adelphi University edged out Lincoln Memorial for the No. 2 position in the year-end poll. The Panthers finished the regular season 76-36. Rebecca Gotterbarn received NTCA All-America honors.

Lincoln Memorial comes in at No. 3. In just the programs second season, the Railsplitters won the East Coast Conference Championship and an earned an NCAA Automatic Qualifier. Lincoln Memorial then defeated Texas Southern in a play-in match, to advance to the National Collegiate Women's Bowling Championship. Head Coach Joe Slowinski was named Co-DII/DIII Coach of the Year and Justine Brookover of won DII/DIII Rookie of the Year.

The University of Central Missouri come in at No. 4. The Jennies finished with a record of 56-43 and finished second at the MIAA Conference Championship.

The University of Wisconsin-Whitewater rounds out the top five. The Warhawks finished the season as the highest ranked Division III program and posted a tournament victory at the Crusader Challenge.

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	Record	First Place Votes	Previously Ranked (DII/DIII)	Division
1 McKendree University, <i>Lebanon, IL</i>	91-24	23	1	DII
2 Adelphi University, <i>Garden City, NY</i>	76-36		4	DII
3 Lincoln Memorial University, <i>Harrogate, TN</i>	71-50		6	DII
4 University of Central Missouri, <i>Warrensburg, MO</i>	56-43		3	DIII
5 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, <i>Whitewater, WI</i>	51-47		2	DII
6 Kutztown University, <i>Kutztown, PA</i>	72-45		8	DII
7 Franklin Pierce University, <i>Rindge, NH</i>	54-43		5	DII
8 Maryville University, <i>St. Louis, MO</i>	52-54		10	DII
9 Caldwell University, <i>Caldwell, NJ</i>	50-58		7	DII
10 Felician University, <i>Lodi, NJ</i>	52-58		9	DII
11 Drury University, <i>Springfield, MO</i>	30-42		NR	DII
12 Fayetteville State, <i>Fayetteville, NC</i>	43-12		11	DII
13 Bowie State University, <i>Bowie, MD</i>	44-21		12	DII
14 Medaille College, <i>Buffalo, NY</i>	53-36		NR	DIII
15 Mount Aloysius College, <i>Cresson, PA</i>	41-34		13	DIII

**Also receiving points:**

Chestnut Hill College, *Philadelphia, PA*; Elmhurst College, *Elmhurst, IL*; Molloy College, *Rockville Centre, NY*; Wilmington University, *New Castle, DE*

**Point system:**

NTCA voters rank the top 15 Division II and Division III teams on their ballot. Each position has a designated point value, ranging from 22 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 six 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 = 22 points, 2nd =19, 3rd =17, 4th =15, 5th =13, 6th =11, 7th =9, 8th =8, 9th =7, 10th =6, 11th =5, 12th =4, 13th =3, 14th =2, 15th =1