



National Tenpin Coaches Association 2024-2025 End of Season Coaches Poll

NATIONAL CHAMPION YOUNGSTOWN STATE TOPS FINAL COACHES POLL OF SEASON

May 7, 2025 – National Champion Youngstown State earned 34 of the 35 first-place votes to finish on top of the National Tenpin Coaches Association's (NTCA) final poll of the 2024-25 NCAA bowling season.

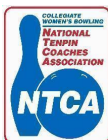
The Penguins defeated Jacksonville State, 4-3, in April to become the first women's sport at Youngstown to win a national championship. They had been ranked fourth in the March poll leading up to the post-season tournaments.

Jacksonville State was second, followed by fellow Final Four programs Nebraska and Wichita State. The Huskers had the lone other first-place vote.

Vanderbilt finished fifth in the voting, followed in order by North Carolina A&T, Arkansas State, Sam Houston, Stephen F. Austin and Maryville to complete the Top 10.

The second 10 was nearly identical to that of the March poll. Louisiana Tech was 11th, followed by Sacred Heart, Wisconsin-Whitewater, Duquesne, Mount. St. Mary's, Fairleigh Dickinson, McKendree, Alabama-Birmingham and Tulane to complete the Top 20.

Wright State, Felician, Delaware State, Valparaiso and Merrimack rounded out the Top 25.



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Rank	School, Location, Conference Affiliation	1st Place Votes	Point Total	Prev. Rank
1	Youngstown State University, <i>Youngstown, OH</i> (CUSA)	34	1485	4
2	Jacksonville State University, <i>Jacksonville, AL</i> (CUSA)		1378	2
3	University of Nebraska, <i>Lincoln, NE</i> (INDEPENDENT)	1	1326	1
4	Wichita State University, <i>Wichita, KS</i> (CUSA)		1246	5
5	Vanderbilt University, <i>Nashville, TN</i> (CUSA)		1196	3
6	North Carolina A&T State University, <i>Greensboro, NC</i> (MEAC)		1082	8
7	Arkansas State University, <i>Jonesboro, AR</i> (CUSA)		1064	6
8	Sam Houston State University, <i>Huntsville, TX</i> (CUSA)		950	7
9	Stephen F. Austin State University, <i>Nacogdoches, TX</i> (CUSA)		936	9
10	Maryville University, <i>St. Louis, MO</i> (GLVC)		902	10
11	Louisiana Tech University, <i>Ruston, LA</i> (CUSA)		804	11
12	Sacred Heart University, <i>Fairfield, CT</i> (INDEPENDENT)		678	12
13	University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, <i>Whitewater, WI</i> (INDEPENDENT)		653	13
14	Duquesne University, <i>Pittsburgh, PA</i> (NEC)		579	14
15	Mount St. Mary's University, <i>Emmitsburg, MD</i> (INDEPENDENT)		526	15
16	Fairleigh Dickinson University, <i>Teaneck, NJ</i> (NEC)		491	16
17	University of Maryland Eastern Shore, <i>Princess Anne, MD</i> (MEAC)		432	18
18	McKendree University, <i>Lebanon, IL</i> (GLVC)		423	17
19	University of Alabama at Birmingham, <i>Birmingham, AL</i> (MEAC)		422	19
20	Tulane University, <i>New Orleans, LA</i> (CUSA)		353	20
21	Wright State University, <i>Dayton, OH</i> (INDEPENDENT)		352	21
22	Felician University, <i>Rutherford, NJ</i> (CACC)		248	22
23	Delaware State University, <i>Dover, DE</i> (MEAC)		238	23
24	Valparaiso University, <i>Valparaiso, IN</i> (CUSA)		225	24
25	Merrimack College, <i>North Andover, MA</i> (INDEPENDENT)		136	NR

Also Receiving Votes: Alabama State University, University of Central Missouri, Emmanuel University, Kutztown University, Marian University (Wisconsin), Mercyhurst University, Monmouth University, Newman University, Niagara University, Oklahoma Christian University.

Point system: NTCA submitted ballots rank the top thirty programs in the sport of NCAA Bowling a National Collegiate sport. Each position has a designated point value, ranging from forty-five points for first place and one point for thirtieth 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 = 45 points, 2nd =42, 3rd =40, 4th =38, 5th =36, 6th =34, 7th =32, 8th =30, 9th =28, 10th =26, 11th =24, 12th =22, 13th =20, 14th =18, 15th =16, 16th =15, 17th =14, 18th =13, 19th =12, 20th =11, 21st =10, 22nd =9, 23rd =8, 24th =7, 25th =6, 26th =5, 27th =4, 28th =3, 29th =2, 30th =1.

The End of Season poll rankings are based on NTCA-submitted ballots from 35 head coaches representing 15 Division I programs, 13 Division II programs, and 7 Division III programs. The ballots reflect participation from various conferences, including 2 from the AMCC, 3 from the CACC, 4 from the CCIW, 1 from Conference Carolinas, 6 from Conference USA, 5 from the ECC, 5 from the GLVC, 3 from the MEAC, 2 from the NEC, 1 from the SWAC, and 3 from independent programs.