

NCAA DIVISION II

WRESTLING RANKINGS

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EDMOND, Okla. -- Nebraska-Kearney maintained its No. 1 spot in the NCAA Division II wrestling rankings by a slim margin Thursday as only four point separated the top three teams in the final NCAA Division II Wrestling Coaches' Association poll.

The West Regional champion Antelopes were the No. 1 pick for the third straight time, receiving four first-place votes and finishing with 154 points in balloting of coaches from around the country. UNK will host the 2007 NCAA Division II Wrestling Championships March 9-10 in Kearney, Neb.

North Regional champion Minnesota State-Mankato had three first-place votes and moved into second with 152 points, while Midwest Regional winner Central Oklahoma picked up the remaining first-place nod and was third with 150 points.

Three-time defending national champion Nebraska-Omaha stayed fourth and East Regional champion Pittsburgh-Johnstown (Pa.) is fifth, followed by Upper Iowa, Adams State (Colo.), Fort Hays State (Kan.), Indianapolis (Ind.) and Mercyhurst (Pa.).

UNK features three top-ranked individuals in Trevor Charboneau (125 pounds), Brett Allgood (133) and Tervel Dlagnev (285). MSU-Mankato is led by No. 1s Jason Rhoten (149) and Andy Pickar (165), while UCO is paced by No. 1 Kyle Evans (141).

The other four top-ranked individuals are Findlay's Tony Guerra (157), UNO's J.D. Naig (174), UPJ's Mike Corcetti (184) and Adams State's Casey Woodall (197).

The NCAA Division II Wrestling Coaches' Association Top 20 poll, with points and last ranking:

Rank	School (State)	Points	Last Ranking
1.	Nebraska-Kearney	154	1st
2.	Minnesota State-Mankato	152	3rd
3.	Central Oklahoma	150	2nd
4.	Nebraska-Omaha	130	4th
5.	Pittsburgh-Johnstown (Pa.)	127	5th
6.	Upper Iowa	121	7th
7.	Adams State (Colo.)	104	6th
8.	Fort Hays State (Kan.)	92	9th
9.	Indianapolis (Ind.)	91	15th
10.	Mercyhurst (Pa.)	89	10th
11.	Western State (Colo.)	81	12th
12.	Wisconsin-Parkside	73	13th
13.	Chadron State (Neb.)	52	16th
14.	Augustana (S.D.)	46	14th
15.	Shippensburg (Pa.)	40	NR
16.	Ashland (Ohio)	39	11th
17.	West Liberty State (W.Va.)	36	8th
18.	Findlay (Ohio)	33	20th
19.	Minnesota State-Moorhead	30	NR
20.	Newberry (S.C.)	17	17th

Others receiving votes: Carson-Newman (Tenn.), Central Missouri, Kutztown (Pa.), San Francisco State.

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125 Pounds

1. Trevor Charboneau, Nebraska-Kearney
2. Arsenia Barksdale, Adams State (Colo.)
3. Nick Smith, Minnesota State-Mankato
4. Tyler Mumbulo, Upper Iowa
5. Devlon Webb, Chadron State (Neb.)
6. John Fleming, Indianapolis (Ind.)
7. Chris Trampe, Augustana (S.D.)
8. Payne Lint, Mercyhurst (Pa.)

133 Pounds

1. Brett Allgood, Nebraska-Kearney
2. Andy Uhl, Findlay (Ohio)
3. Jeff Pfaffinger, Minnesota State-Mankato
4. Joe Kemmerer, Kutztown (Pa.)
5. Shane Perkey, Indianapolis (Ind.)
6. Brandon Reasy, Pittsburgh-Johnstown (Pa.)
7. Nathan Naumann, Upper Iowa
8. Marques Bravo, Western State (Colo.)

141 Pounds

1. Kyle Evans, Central Oklahoma
2. Travis Elg, Minnesota State-Mankato
3. Steven Fittery, Shippensburg (Pa.)
4. Ross Mountour, New Mexico Highlands
5. John Gamble, Upper Iowa
6. Yasiim Bribieseca, Nebraska-Omaha
7. J.J. Zanetta, Mercyhurst (Pa.)
8. Tony Iovine, Ashland (Ohio)

149 Pounds

1. Jason Rhoten, Minnesota State-Mankato
2. Todd Meneely, Nebraska-Omaha
3. Shea Timothy, Central Oklahoma
4. Don Cummings, Mercyhurst (Pa.)
5. Mark Pfeifer, Chadron State (Neb.)
6. Mike Rogers, Carson-Newman (Tenn.)
7. Charlie Pingleton, Indianapolis (Ind.)
8. Mikel Delk, Fort Hays State (Kan.)

157 Pounds

1. Tony Guerra, Findlay (Ohio)
2. Brad Becker, Wisconsin-Parkside
3. Jason Leavitt, Central Oklahoma
4. Brandon Girtz, Minnesota State-Mankato
5. Joe Ellenberger, Nebraska-Kearney
6. Austin Scarset, Augustana (S.D.)
7. Andy Lamancusa, Mercyhurst (Pa.)
8. Travis Eggers, Upper Iowa

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165 Pounds

1. Andy Pickar, Minnesota State-Mankato
2. Nate Baker, Minnesota State-Moorhead
3. Mitch Norton, Upper Iowa
4. Ross Taplin, Nebraska-Omaha
5. Brett Hunter, Chadron State (Neb.)
6. Justin Wood, Central Oklahoma
7. Kevin Kalbach, Kutztown (Pa.)
8. Zach Lee, Western State (Colo.)

174 Pounds

1. J.D. Naig, Nebraska-Omaha
2. Tom Clark, West Liberty State (W.Va.)
3. Zach Shafer, Mercyhurst (Pa.)
4. Michael Jackson, Indianapolis (Ind.)
5. Cody Henriksen, Augustana (S.D.)
6. Eli Garshnick, Pittsburgh-Johnstown (Pa.)
7. Quinn Tolbert, Newberry (S.C.)
8. Larry Wilbanks, Western State (Colo.)

184 Pounds

1. Mike Corcetti, Pittsburgh-Johnstown (Pa.)
2. Jared Deaguero, Adams State (Colo.)
3. Matt Farrell, Nebraska-Kearney
4. Jared Hess, Central Oklahoma
5. Mark Murphy, Shippensburg (Pa.)
6. Nate Jones, Carson-Newman (Tenn.)
7. Austin Boehm, Nebraska-Omaha
8. Travis Krinke, Minnesota State-Mankato

197 Pounds

1. Casey Woodall, Adams State (Colo.)
2. Derek Brunson, North Carolina-Pembroke
3. Ryan Phillips, Upper Iowa
4. Nate Buys, Augustana (S.D.)
5. Jacob Marrs, Nebraska-Omaha
6. Mike Fowler, Pittsburgh-Johnstown (Pa.)
7. Chris Taylor, West Liberty (W.Va.)
8. Ben Janike, Minnesota State-Mankato

285 Pounds

1. Tervel Dlagnev, Nebraska-Kearney
2. Josh LeadingFox, Central Oklahoma
3. Brady Wilson, Minnesota State-Mankato
4. Andrew Ubben, Fort Hays State (Kan.)
5. Jose Navarro, Indianapolis (Ind.)
6. Dan Goodson, Upper Iowa
7. Tony Lewis, Nebraska-Omaha
8. Jason Groller, Shippensburg (Pa.)