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## 2017-18 WBCA NCAA Division II Top 25 Coaches' Poll — Dec. 21, 2017

The WBCA NCAA Division II Top 25 Coaches' Poll with teams' RECORDS THROUGH TUESDAY, total points based on 25 points for first place through one point for 25th, first-place votes received and ranking in last week's poll:

| Rank | School                            | Total  | <b>First Place</b> | Previous |
|------|-----------------------------------|--------|--------------------|----------|
|      |                                   | Points | Votes              | Rank     |
| 1    | Ashland (12-0)                    | 575    | 23                 | 1        |
| 2    | West Texas A&M (11-0)             | 547    | 0                  | 3        |
| 3    | Indiana (PA) (10-0)               | 504    | 0                  | 5        |
| 4    | Lubbock Christian (11-1)          | 491    | 0                  | 4        |
| 5    | Carson-Newman (13-0)              | 475    | 0                  | 6        |
| 6    | Alaska Anchorage (10-1)           | 438    | 0                  | 2        |
| 7    | Bentley (11-1)                    | 429    | 0                  | 8        |
| 8    | Drury (11-1)                      | 427    | 0                  | 7        |
| 9    | Virginia Union (10-1)             | 372    | 0                  | 9        |
| 10   | California (PA) (10-1)            | 360    | 0                  | 11       |
| 11   | Central Missouri (9-1)            | 326    | 0                  | 10       |
| 12   | Edinboro (9-0)                    | 296    | 0                  | 13       |
| 13   | Michigan Tech (11-1)              | 282    | 0                  | 15       |
| 14   | Augustana (SD) (10-0)             | 275    | 0                  | 18       |
| 15   | Fort Lewis (11-1)                 | 253    | 0                  | 16       |
| 16   | Central Oklahoma (11-1)           | 187    | 0                  | 23       |
| 17   | Azusa Pacific (13-2)              | 171    | 0                  | 20       |
| 18   | Southwestern Oklahoma State (9-1) | 167    | 0                  | 20       |
| 19   | Northern State (9-2)              | 163    | 0                  | 12       |
| 20   | Southern Indiana (9-1)            | 125    | 0                  | 17       |
| 21   | North Alabama (11-0)              | 116    | 0                  | NR       |
| 22   | Wingate (9-2)                     | 115    | 0                  | 14       |
| 23   | Glenville State (10-1)            | 99     | 0                  | NR       |
| 24   | Union (TN) (10-1)                 | 75     | 0                  | NR       |
| 25   | Seattle Pacific (8-2)             | 33     | 0                  | 19       |
|      |                                   |        |                    |          |

**Dropped Out:** No. 22 Cedarville (8-2); No. 24 University of the Sciences (9-2); No. 25 Rollins (8-3).

**Others receiving votes:** Stonehill (9-1) 29; Cedarville (8-2) 25; St. Thomas Aquinas (10-1) 25; Findlay (10-1) 24; Lander (8-2) 22; Eckerd (10-2) 10; Grand Valley State (10-2) 7; University of the Sciences (9-2) 7; UC San Diego 6 (9-2). 4 teams mentioned on only one ballot for a total of 19 combined points.

NOTE: One ballot is missing. Carrie Lohr of Wayne State (MI) could not submit her ballot by the voting deadline.

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