

NCAA DIVISION II

WRESTLING RANKINGS

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EDMOND, Okla. -- Nebraska-Omaha was the unanimous No. 1 pick in the final regular season NCAA Division II Wrestling Coaches Association poll that was released Wednesday.

The two-time defending national champion Mavericks received all eight first-place votes cast in balloting of coaches from around the country to finish with 160 points. UNO has been No. 1 in every poll the past two-plus seasons.

Augustana received all eight second-place votes and stayed second with 152 points, with St. Cloud (Minn.) third, Newberry (S.C.) fourth and Central Oklahoma fifth.

Rounding out the top 10 is Pittsburgh-Johnstown (Pa.), Grand Canyon (Ariz.), Minnesota State, Nebraska-Kearney and Upper Iowa.

UNO is led by three top-ranked individuals -- 141-pounder Mario Morgan, 149-pounder Esai Dominguez and 157-pounder George Ivanov. UNC-Pembroke is the only other team with more than one No. 1 individual with 125-pounder Russell Weakley and 165-pounder Mike Williams.

Regional tournaments will be held at four different sites the weekend of Feb. 25-27, with the top-four placers at each weight in those tournaments qualifying for the NCAA Division II Wrestling Championships on March 11-12 in Kearney, Neb.

The top 20 poll, with points and the teams' last ranking following by the top-eight rankings at each weight:

Rank	School (State)	Points	Last Ranking
1.	Nebraska-Omaha	160	1st
2.	Augustana (S.D.)	152	2nd
3.	St. Cloud State (Minn.)	144	3rd
4.	Newberry (S.C.)	136	4th
5.	Central Oklahoma	119	5th
6.	Pittsburgh-Johnstown (Pa.)	117	6th
7.	Grand Canyon (Ariz.)	114	7th
T8.	Minnesota State	99	8th
T8.	Nebraska-Kearney	99	9th
10.	Upper Iowa	89	11th
11.	North Carolina-Pembroke	83	10th
12.	Ashland (Ohio)	69	12th
13.	Western State (Colo.)	68	13th
14.	San Francisco State (Calif.)	65	14th
15.	Findlay (Ohio)	44	15th
16.	Gannon (Pa.)	41	16th
17.	Adams State (Colo.)	20	17th
18.	Fort Hays State (Kan.)	22	19th
19.	Wisconsin-Parkside	15	18th
20.	Mercyhurst (Pa.)	12	NR

Others receiving votes: Central Missouri, Colorado School of Mines, Kutztown (Pa.) and Minnesota State-Moorhead.

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125 Pounds

1. Russell Weakley, North Carolina-Pembroke
2. Trevor Franklin, Upper Iowa
3. Corey Ulmer, Minnesota State-Moorhead
4. Andy Forstner, Minnesota State
5. Jose Matos, Gannon (Pa.)
6. Connor McDonald, Newberry (S.C.)
7. Kyle O'Brien, Western State (Colo.)
8. Josh Smith, Nebraska-Kearney

133 Pounds

1. Todd Wilcox, Grand Canyon (Ariz.)
2. Ryan Link, Pittsburgh-Johnstown
3. Jason Jeremiason, Augustana (S.D.)
4. Kyle Pedretti, Upper Iowa
5. Austin Williams, Kutztown (Pa.)
6. Trison Graham, Central Oklahoma
7. Aldon Isenberg, Fort Hays State (Kan.)
8. Cody Zimmerman, Wisconsin-Parkside

141 Pounds

1. Mario Morgan, Nebraska-Omaha
2. Naveed Bagheri, San Francisco State (Calif.)
3. Brady Schneeberger, Minnesota State-Moorhead
4. Jay Sherer, Augustana (S.D.)
5. Kenny Jordan, Adams State (Colo.)
6. Andre Harrison, Fort Hays State (Kan.)
7. Dalton Jensen, Nebraska-Kearney
8. Gabe Suarez, St. Cloud State (Minn.)

149 Pounds

1. Esai Dominguez, Nebraska-Omaha
2. T.J. Hepburn, Nebraska-Kearney
3. Nick Walpole, Indianapolis (Ind.)
4. Matthew Thomas, San Francisco State (Calif.)
5. Nate Herda, Augustana (S.D.)
6. Jacob Horn, St. Cloud State (Minn.)
7. Mitchell Means, Fort Hays State (Kan.)
8. John Paukovits, Kutztown (Pa.)

157 Pounds

1. George Ivanov, Nebraska-Omaha
2. John Sundgren, St. Cloud State (Minn.)
3. Marcus Edgington, Augustana (S.D.)
4. Sean Byrnes, Newberry (S.C.)
5. Cory Dauphin, Central Oklahoma
6. Jordan Shields, Mercyhurst (Pa.)
7. Josh Nolan, San Francisco State
8. Seth Phalen, West Liberty (W.Va.)

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165 Pounds

1. Mike Williams, North Carolina-Pembroke
2. Tad Merritt, St. Cloud State (Minn.)
3. Michael Lybarger, Findlay (Ohio)
4. Gavin Nelson, Augustana (S.D.)
5. Matt Gille, Wisconsin-Parkside
6. Joey Wilson, Nebraska-Kearney
7. Travis Budke, Fort Hays State (Kan.)
8. Derrick Adkins, Central Oklahoma

174 Pounds

1. Luke Rynish, Wisconsin-Parkside
2. Tony Petrella, Gannon (Pa.)
3. Ryan Pankoke, Nebraska-Omaha
4. Victor Carazo, Grand Canyon (Ariz.)
5. Tim Darling, Kutztown (Pa.)
6. Ben Becker, Minnesota State
7. Carl Serck, Augustana (S.D.)
8. Mark Meuller, Upper Iowa

184 Pounds

1. Bryant Blanton, Newberry (S.C.)
2. Charlie Pipher, Western State (Colo.)
3. Aaron Denson, Nebraska-Omaha
4. Cale Cornemann, Northern State (S.D.)
5. A.J. Brentzel, Pittsburgh-Johnstown (Pa.)
6. Aaron Norgren, Minnesota State
7. Ryan Becerra, Grand Canyon (Ariz.)
8. Mitch Schultz, Upper Iowa

197 Pounds

1. Donovan McMahill, Western State (Colo.)
2. Ty Copsey, Augustana (S.D.)
3. Luke McPeek, Adams State (Colo.)
4. Matt Baker, Nebraska-Omaha
5. Jarrett Edison, Central Oklahoma
6. Lucas Munkelwitz, St. Cloud (Minn.)
7. Pat Mahan, Minnesota State
8. Carl Broghammer, Upper Iowa

285 Pounds

1. Jacob Kahnke, St. Cloud State (Minn.)
2. Matt Meuleners, Northern State (S.D.)
3. Charlie Alexander, Western State (Colo.)
4. Zach Rosol, Upper Iowa
5. Jacob Southwick, Ashland (Ohio)
6. J.D. Ramsey, West Liberty (W.Va.)
7. Matt Clum, Findlay (Ohio)
8. Brandon Hayes, Central Missouri