

NCAA DIVISION II

WRESTLING RANKINGS

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EDMOND, Okla. -- Nebraska-Kearney maintained its perch atop the NCAA Division II wrestling rankings Wednesday, with last week's sweep of two of its top challengers making the Antelopes the unanimous No. 1 pick, according to the poll released by the NCAA Division II Wrestling Coaches' Association.

UNK beat the two teams behind it in the rankings last week, downing Central Oklahoma, 24-9, at home and edging Nebraska-Omaha, 18-16, on the road to improve to 15-1 in duals. The Antelopes earned all eight first-place votes to finish with 160 points in topping the poll.

UCO followed its loss to UNK with a 22-14 road win over Nebraska-Omaha to switch places with the Mavericks, while Minnesota State-Mankato came in fourth and Pittsburgh-Johnstown (Pa.) fifth. Rounding out the top 10 is Adams State, Upper Iowa, Western State (Colo.), West Liberty State (W.Va.) and Fort Hays State (Kan.).

UNK, which will host the 2007 NCAA Division II Wrestling Championships on March 9-10, is led by top-ranked individuals Brett Allgood (133 pounds) and Tervel Dlagnev (285). Central Oklahoma is paced by No. 1 Kyle Evans (141), while the three-time defending national champion Mavericks have four No. 1 wrestlers in 125 Cody Garcia, 149 Todd Meneely, 165 Ross Taplin and 174 J.D. Naig.

The other two top-ranked individuals are 157 Brad Becker of Wisconsin-Parkside, 184 Mike Corcetti of UPJ and 197 Casey Woodall of Adams State.

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

Rank	School (State)	Points	Last Ranking
1.	Nebraska-Kearney	160	1st
2.	Central Oklahoma	149	3rd
3.	Nebraska-Omaha	147	2nd
4.	Minnesota State-Mankato	136	4th
5.	Pittsburgh-Johnstown (Pa.)	129	5th
6.	Adams State (Colo.)	120	6th
7.	Upper Iowa	108	7th
8.	Western State (Colo.)	102	9th
9.	West Liberty State (W.Va.)	98	8th
10.	Fort Hays State (Kan.)	81	10th
11.	Ashland (Ohio)	72	12th
12.	Mercyhurst (Pa.)	71	13th
13.	Wisconsin-Parkside	70	11th
14.	Augustana (S.D.)	59	14th
15.	Indianapolis (Ind.)	52	15th
16.	Newberry (S.C.)	43	16th
17.	Chadron State (Neb.)	26	17th
18.	Carson-Newman (Tenn.)	18	18th
19.	Findlay (Ohio)	15	19th
20.	Kutztown (Pa.)	14	20th

Others receiving votes: Minnesota State-Moorhead.

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125 Pounds

1. Cody Garcia, Nebraska-Omaha
2. Trevor Charboneau, Nebraska-Kearney
3. Arsenia Barksdale, Adams State (Colo.)
4. Tyler Mumbulo, Upper Iowa
5. Nick Smith, Minnesota State-Mankato
6. Kody Pierson, Carson-Newman (Tenn.)
7. Chas Welch, Northern State (S.D.)
8. Devlon Webb, Chadron State (Neb.)

133 Pounds

1. Brett Allgood, Nebraska-Kearney
2. Andy Uhl, Findlay (Ohio)
3. Jeff Pfaffinger, Minnesota State-Mankato
4. Joe Kemmerer, Kutztown (Pa.)
5. Jake Brumbelow, Carson-Newman (Tenn.)
6. Shane Perkey, Indianapolis (Ind.)
7. Brandon Reasy, Pittsburgh-Johnstown (Pa.)
8. Reimark Neidermaier, Belmont Abbey (N.C.)

141 Pounds

1. Kyle Evans, Central Oklahoma
2. Shane Valko, Pittsburgh-Johnstown (Pa.)
3. Travis Elg, Minnesota State-Mankato
4. Yasiim Bribieseca, Nebraska-Omaha
5. Jeff Rutledge, Nebraska-Kearney
6. Doug Sura, West Liberty State (W.Va.)
7. J.J. Zanetta, Mercyhurst (Pa.)
8. Tony Iovine, Ashland (Ohio)

149 Pounds

1. Todd Meneely, Nebraska-Omaha
2. Jason Rhoten, Minnesota State-Mankato
3. Mikel Delk, Fort Hays State (Kan.)
4. Shea Timothy, Central Oklahoma
5. Don Cummings, Mercyhurst (Pa.)
6. Marcus Gordon, Ashland (Ohio)
7. Charlie Pingleton, Indianapolis (Ind.)
8. Matt True, Nebraska-Kearney

157 Pounds

1. Brad Becker, Wisconsin-Parkside
2. Tony Guerra, Findlay (Ohio)
3. Jason Leavitt, Central Oklahoma
4. Austin Scarset, Augustana (S.D.)
5. Mike Gallegos, Adams State (Colo.)
6. Brandon Girtz, Minnesota State-Mankato
7. Joe Ellenberger, Nebraska-Kearney
8. Nate Pilcher, Colorado School of Mines

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165 Pounds

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

174 Pounds

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

184 Pounds

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

197 Pounds

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

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. Josh Ohl, Ashland (Ohio)
6. Jose Navarro, Indianapolis (Ind.)
7. Tony Lewis, Nebraska-Omaha
8. Dan Goodson, Upper Iowa