

NFCA Division II Top 25 Poll #1 (Preseason) – Jan. 28, 2009

Lock Haven University has been selected to top the National Fastpitch Coaches Association NCAA Division II Top 25 Coaches Poll, it was announced today. Following a dramatic extra-innings loss to Humboldt State in last year's NCAA semifinal, the Eagles recorded 388 of a possible 400 points despite garnering just six of a possible 16 first-place votes. Defending NCAA Champion Humboldt State pulled the remaining 10 first-place votes but sits in second place in the preseason poll. Last season's runner-up, Emporia State, ranks 23rd while Lock Haven's co-semifinalist, St. Edward's, is ranked third.

The 2009 NCAA Division II Softball Championship will take place May 21-25 in Salem, Va., at the James I. Moyer Sports Complex.

The NFCA Division II Top 25 Poll is voted on by NCAA Division II head coaches, two representing each of the eight NCAA regions. Records shown are the teams final 2008 records. Last ranking reflects the final 2008 poll. First-place votes are in parentheses.

RANK	TEAM	RECORD	TOTALS	LAST
1	Lock Haven (6)	49-8	388	3
2	Humboldt State (10)	57-18	374	1
3	St. Edward's	53-17	358	4
4	Barry	44-8	333	7
5	Francis Marion	39-16	332	T5
6	Ferris State	35-18	331	T5
7	LIU-C.W. Post	48-16	278	8
8	Southeastern Oklahoma	53-12	275	T9
9	Winona State	38-15	254	15
10	Tampa	35-13	229	T12
11	North Georgia	38-15	228	T12
12	Kutztown	48-13	226	18
13	Lewis	38-18	177	RV
14	Cal State Stanislaus	31-23	164	RV
15	Bloomsburg	51-11	146	T9
16	St. Leo	37-15	123	19
17	Georgian Court	39-16	120	25
18	Colorado School of Mines	38-19	117	NR
19	Central Missouri	36-22	112	NR
20	Georgia College & State	40-14	88	NR
21	Angelo State	48-12	85	17
22	Alabama-Huntsville	52-9	74	24
23	Minnesota State Mankato	42-16	67	21
24	Caldwell College	35-22	66	16
25	Emporia State	48-17	62	2

Others Receiving Votes: Saginaw Valley 35, Hawaii Pacific 33, Western Oregon 24, Nebraska-Omaha 22, Wayne State (MI) 21, Cal State Dominguez Hills 16, Armstrong Atlantic 11, LeMoyne 10, ST. Mary's (TX) 5, Valdosta State 5, Indianapolis 4, Arkansas Tech 3, Metro State 2, NYIT 1, West Virginia Wesleyan 1