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Fall 2023 Report

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| Fall 2023 Report PREPARED BY  Matthew Granstrom  University of Minnesota  Email: [mjgranstrom@gmail.com](mailto:mjgranstrom@gmail.com)  Based on the tabroom.com Results Page  Developed by Jon Bruschke, CSU-Fullerton (CA), and Chris Palmer, Lexington HS (MA) and previous reports produced by Jim Hanson, Seattle University (WA)  **Fall Report** |  | CONTENTS |
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### NDT Ranking Reports and Updates

This is the first of two official NDT Rankings Reports for the year. Each report includes overall rankings (based on the top two teams from a school at eight tournaments), varsity rankings (based on the top two senior division teams from a school at eight tournaments), community college rankings (using overall points), and rankings by region (using overall points). The Spring Report includes a list of the schools that are new and also that moved up the most in the rankings. The last page of this report explains how points are calculated. Teams earn points even if they are not members of the NDT, however only members are ranked in the final report.

In addition to the NDT Reports, Jon Bruschke and Chris Palmer update the NDT points as well as all results from college policy debate tournaments on a regular basis at [www.tabroom.com](http://www.tabroom.com)

**Before the Final Version of this Report, double-check your points and email Matthew Granstrom at** [**mjgranstrom@gmail.com**](mailto:mjgranstrom@gmail.com) **with any needed changes**

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### NDT Membership

We encourage you to have NDT Membership. NDT Membership is required to participate in district tournaments, the NDT, and the Spring Final NDT Rankings. Further, we encourage you to ask others to join and support our debate community; the NDT is part of the American Forensics Association. The annual membership is $100 if paid by Oct. 1; $200 if paid Oct. 2 to Dec. 15; $300 if paid after Dec. 15 and before Jan. 15. NOTE: IF YOU DO NOT PAY YOUR DUES BY JAN. 15, YOU MAY NOT SEND TEAMS TO THE NDT AND YOUR SCHOOL WILL NOT BE LISTED IN THE NDT RANKINGS.

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### Top 10 Overall Rankings

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| Rank | School | NDT pts | Varsity pts | District | CC |
| 1. | Liberty University | 608 | 99 | 7 | N |
| 2. | George Mason University | 604 | 171 | 7 | N |
| 3. | Emory University | 438 | 308 | 6 | N |
| 4. | Wake Forest University | 398 | 299 | 6 | N |
| 5. | United States Military Academy | 368 | 79 | 8 | N |
| 6. | Cornell University | 353 | 123 | 8 | N |
| 7. | University of Houston | 325 | 148 | 3 | N |
| 8. | Binghamton University | 322 | 184 | 8 | N |
| 9. | Samford University | 314 | 121 | 6 | N |
| 10. | University of Kansas | 299 | 299 | 3 | N |

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### Top 10 Varsity Rankings

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| Rank | School | NDT pts | Varsity pts | District | CC |
| 1. | Emory University | 438 | 308 | 6 | N |
| 2. | Wake Forest University | 398 | 299 | 6 | N |
| 3. | University of Kansas | 299 | 299 | 3 | N |
| 4. | Harvard University | 219 | 219 | 8 | N |
| 5. | University of Kentucky | 226 | 214 | 6 | N |
| 6. | University of Michigan | 282 | 213 | 5 | N |
| 7. | University of Texas | 189 | 189 | 3 | N |
| 8. | Binghamton University | 322 | 184 | 8 | N |
| 9. | Georgetown University | 197 | 184 | 7 | N |
| 10. | Northwestern University | 180 | 180 | 5 | N |

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### Top CC Rankings

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| Rank | School | NDT pts | Varsity pts | District | CC |
| 1. | Southwestern College | 45 | 0 | 1 | Y |
| 2. | Johnson County Community College | 12 | 0 | 3 | Y |
| 3. | Oakton Community College | 11 | 11 | 5 | Y |

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| 4. | Wake Forest University | 398 | 299 | 6 | N |
| 5. | United States Military Academy | 368 | 79 | 8 | N |
| 6. | Cornell University | 353 | 123 | 8 | N |
| 7. | University of Houston | 325 | 148 | 3 | N |
| 8. | Binghamton University | 322 | 184 | 8 | N |
| 9. | Samford University | 314 | 121 | 6 | N |
| 10. | University of Kansas | 299 | 299 | 3 | N |
| 11. | James Madison University | 294 | 141 | 7 | N |
| 12. | University of Michigan | 282 | 213 | 5 | N |
| 13. | Missouri State University | 233 | 127 | 3 | N |
| 14. | University of Kentucky | 226 | 214 | 6 | N |
| 15. | Indiana University | 221 | 62 | 5 | N |
| 16. | Harvard University | 219 | 219 | 8 | N |
| 17. | University of Oklahoma | 213 | 148 | 3 | N |
| 18. | New York University | 201 | 106 | 8 | N |
| 19. | Georgetown University | 197 | 184 | 7 | N |
| 20. | University of Texas | 189 | 189 | 3 | N |
| 21. | University of Minnesota | 189 | 131 | 4 | N |
| 22. | University of Iowa | 184 | 176 | 4 | N |
| 23. | Northwestern University | 180 | 180 | 5 | N |
| 24. | Monmouth University | 174 | 17 | 7 | N |
| 25. | Michigan State University | 174 | 174 | 5 | N |
| 26. | University of Rochester | 170 | 46 | 8 | N |
| 27. | Wichita State University | 164 | 153 | 3 | N |
| 28. | University of Texas, Dallas | 164 | 164 | 3 | N |
| 29. | Baylor University | 161 | 111 | 3 | N |
| 30. | Dartmouth College | 157 | 145 | 8 | N |
| 31. | California State University, Long Beach | 157 | 135 | 1 | N |
| 32. | University of Wyoming | 155 | 155 | 2 | N |
| 33. | California State University, Fullerton | 144 | 72 | 1 | N |
| 34. | United States Naval Academy | 141 | 47 | 7 | N |
| 35. | Gonzaga University | 138 | 123 | 2 | N |
| 36. | University of Texas, San Antonio | 121 | 0 | 3 | N |
| 37. | University of Georgia | 109 | 55 | 6 | N |
| 38. | Boston College | 108 | 11 | 8 | N |
| 39. | Suffolk University | 106 | 28 | 8 | N |
| 40. | Macalaster College | 104 | 60 | 4 | N |
| 41. | University of Southern California | 97 | 97 | 1 | N |
| 42. | University of Northern Iowa | 96 | 0 | 4 | N |
| 43. | University of West Georgia | 94 | 94 | 6 | N |
| 44. | Western Kentucky University | 92 | 23 | 6 | N |
| 45. | Wayne State University | 90 | 54 | 5 | N |
| 46. | Trinity University | 83 | 74 | 3 | N |
| 47. | University of California, Berkeley | 77 | 77 | 1 | N |
| 48. | The New School | 76 | 55 | 8 | N |
| 49. | Southern Nazarene University | 73 | 20 | 3 | N |
| 50. | Kansas State University | 68 | 68 | 3 | N |
| 51. | Towson University | 62 | 46 | 8 | N |
| 52. | Missouri Valley College | 58 | 23 | 3 | N |
| 53. | Southwestern College | 45 | 0 | 1 | Y |
| 54. | Weber State University | 42 | 31 | 2 | N |
| 55. | University of Central Oklahoma | 35 | 26 | 3 | N |
| 56. | University of North Texas | 35 | 35 | 3 | N |
| 57. | Fordham University | 22 | 22 | 8 | N |
| 58. | Purdue University | 19 | 19 | 5 | N |
| 59. | West Virginia University | 15 | 0 | 7 | N |
| 60. | Georgia State University | 12 | 0 | 6 | N |
| 61. | Johnson County Community College | 12 | 0 | 3 | Y |
| 62. | University of Virginia | 12 | 0 | 7 | N |
| 63. | Oakton Community College | 11 | 11 | 5 | Y |
| 64. | University of Massachusetts, Amherst | 9 | 9 | 8 | N |

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| 1. | Emory University | 438 | 308 | 6 | N |
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| 6. | University of Michigan | 282 | 213 | 5 | N |
| 7. | University of Texas | 189 | 189 | 3 | N |
| 8. | Binghamton University | 322 | 184 | 8 | N |
| 9. | Georgetown University | 197 | 184 | 7 | N |
| 10. | Northwestern University | 180 | 180 | 5 | N |
| 11. | University of Iowa | 184 | 176 | 4 | N |
| 12. | Michigan State University | 174 | 174 | 5 | N |
| 13. | George Mason University | 604 | 171 | 7 | N |
| 14. | University of Texas, Dallas | 164 | 164 | 3 | N |
| 15. | University of Wyoming | 155 | 155 | 2 | N |
| 16. | Wichita State University | 164 | 153 | 3 | N |
| 17. | University of Houston | 325 | 148 | 3 | N |
| 18. | University of Oklahoma | 213 | 148 | 3 | N |
| 19. | Dartmouth College | 157 | 145 | 8 | N |
| 20. | James Madison University | 294 | 141 | 7 | N |
| 21. | California State University, Long Beach | 157 | 135 | 1 | N |
| 22. | University of Minnesota | 189 | 131 | 4 | N |
| 23. | Missouri State University | 233 | 127 | 3 | N |
| 24. | Gonzaga University | 138 | 123 | 2 | N |
| 25. | Cornell University | 353 | 123 | 8 | N |
| 26. | Samford University | 314 | 121 | 6 | N |
| 27. | Baylor University | 161 | 111 | 3 | N |
| 28. | New York University | 201 | 106 | 8 | N |
| 29. | Liberty University | 608 | 99 | 7 | N |
| 30. | University of Southern California | 97 | 97 | 1 | N |
| 31. | University of West Georgia | 94 | 94 | 6 | N |
| 32. | United States Military Academy | 368 | 79 | 8 | N |
| 33. | University of California, Berkeley | 77 | 77 | 1 | N |
| 34. | Trinity University | 83 | 74 | 3 | N |
| 35. | California State University, Fullerton | 144 | 72 | 1 | N |
| 36. | Kansas State University | 68 | 68 | 3 | N |
| 37. | Indiana University | 221 | 62 | 5 | N |
| 38. | Macalaster College | 104 | 60 | 4 | N |
| 39. | University of Georgia | 109 | 55 | 6 | N |
| 40. | The New School | 76 | 55 | 8 | N |
| 41. | Wayne State University | 90 | 54 | 5 | N |
| 42. | United States Naval Academy | 141 | 47 | 7 | N |
| 43. | University of Rochester | 170 | 46 | 8 | N |
| 44. | Towson University | 62 | 46 | 8 | N |
| 45. | University of North Texas | 35 | 35 | 3 | N |
| 46. | Weber State University | 42 | 31 | 2 | N |
| 47. | Suffolk University | 106 | 28 | 8 | N |
| 48. | University of Central Oklahoma | 35 | 26 | 3 | N |
| 49. | Missouri Valley College | 58 | 23 | 3 | N |
| 50. | Western Kentucky University | 92 | 23 | 6 | N |
| 51. | Fordham University | 22 | 22 | 8 | N |
| 52. | Southern Nazarene University | 73 | 20 | 3 | N |
| 53. | Purdue University | 19 | 19 | 5 | N |
| 54. | Monmouth University | 174 | 17 | 7 | N |
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### Overall Rankings by District

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# NDT Ranking Procedure

**I. The ranking system will report the standing of all NDT programs in December and all NDT subscribing programs April each year. A three-tiered system will be employed:**

(a) Ranking on a national basis for overall squad performance and for varsity level competition;

(b) Ranking by districts using overall squad performance;

(c) Ranking of junior college programs using overall squad performance.

Additionally, in the spring, the Report shall include a ranking of “Movers” (teams with 32 or more overall points increase comparing the previous year’s points to the current year) and of “New Schools” (based on overall performance, this is for teams who did not earn points in the previous fall and who have earned at least 32 or more overall points).

**II. Rankings will be based on a point system according to the following items:**

(a) Only results from tournament divisions with six or more teams per division from three or more schools with at least 4 preliminary rounds that debate the NDT topic will count towards the ranking;

(b) The results of a school’s two best teams in any qualifying division of a tournament will count toward the overall rankings. The varsity rankings will only count the best two teams in varsity division;

(c) The results of a school’s best performance at a maximum of eight tournaments will count towards the rankings;

(d) Only teams who are in the upper half of teams in the first elimination round may count that round’s points for rankings;

(e) If the tab room director(s) are from one school only, then elimination rounds of teams from that school will not count toward the rankings (you must have two schools represented as tab directors to have all elimination points counted);

(f) Lincoln-Douglas results or rounds in which a debater debated without a colleague or with a colleague from another school will not count toward the rankings;

(g) If the elimination rounds of a tournament are interrupted by extenuating circumstances, the points remaining to be earned will be evenly distributed to the remaining participants, rounded to the nearest whole number;

(h) Hybrids do not count for points unless recognized by the NDT Committee for ranking points;

(i) Breakout rounds (where the teams with the best records do not advance to elims) do not count for points.

**III. Points are allocated as follows**

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| Prelim Record | Percentage | Points |  | Elim Record | Points |
| 4-0 to 9-0 | 100% | 16 |  | Unanimous win | 6 |
| 4-1 to 8-1 | 80 to 99.99% | 15 |  | (3-0, 5-0, a bye, etc.) |  |
| 3-1, 5-2, 6-2, 6-3 | 67 to 79.99% | 14 |  | Split decision win | 5 |
| 3-2, 4-2, 4-3, 5-3, 5-4 | 50.01 to 66.99% | 13 |  | (2-1, 3-2, 4-1, etc.) |  |
| 2-2 to 4-4 | 50% | 12 |  | Split decision loss | 4 |
| 2-3, 2-4, 3-4, 3-5, 4-5 | 33 to 49.99% | 11 |  | (1-2, 2-3, 1-4, etc.) |  |
| 1-3, 2-5, 2-6, 3-6 | 21 to 32.99% | 10 |  | Unanimous loss | 3 |
| 1-4 to 1-8 | .01 to 20.99% | 9 |  | (0-3, 0-5, walk over/forfeit, etc.) |  |
| 0-4 to 0-9 | 0% | 8 |  |  |  |

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