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Azusa Pacific Remains in First in the First Winter NAIA Learfield Sports Directors' Cup Standings

Cleveland, Ohio – Azusa Pacific (Calif.) remains atop the first winter NAIA Learfield Sports Directors' Cup Standings with 583 points. The Cougars recorded three top-10 finishes, including a national championship in men's track & field. The Cougars also finished second in women's track & field, and seventh in women's swimming.

Lindenwood (Mo.) moves up from third place into second with 578.5 total points in the first winter standings after scoring in all five winter sports to date. The Lions captured the men's wrestling national championship, placed sixth in women's track & field, seventh in men's swimming, eighth in women's swimming and 11th in men's track & field. Lindenwood scored a season-high 374.50 points.

Concordia (Calif) moves into the top-five after recording 85 points for its third place showing in men's swimming to increase its total to 444.5 points. The Eagles also finished sixth in women's swimming, 19th in women's track & field and 21st in men's track & field.

Fresno Pacific also moved up from its previous 6th place standing into 4th place with 440 points. The Sunbirds tallied 90 points in men's swimming, 80 points in women's swimming and a combined 89 points in men's and women's track & field.

Simon Fraser (B.C) holds onto fifth place with a total of 421 points. The Clan moved up from their previous 13th place standing after placing third in women's swimming, fifth in men's swimming, fourth in women's track & field and 16th in men's wrestling.

Five winter NAIA championships have been completed to date with the following institutions capturing titles: Savannah Art & Design (Ga.) (women's swimming); California Baptist (men's swimming); Wayland Baptist (Tex.) (women's track & field); Azusa Pacific (Calif.) (men's track & field); and Lindenwood (Mo.) (men's wrestling).

The Learfield Sports Directors' Cup was developed as a joint effort between the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) and *USA Today*. Points are awarded based on each institution's finish in up to 12 sports – six women's and six men's.

The final winter NAIA standings will be released Thursday, March 26, 2009.

Please note, standings published midseason are unofficial. Official standings will be published upon the completion of the spring season. Complete standings and the scoring structure can be found on NACDA's Web site at www.nacda.com.

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			Pl.	Pts.	Pl.	Pts.	Pl.	Pts.	Pl.	Pts.	Pl.	Pts.		
1	Azusa Pacific (Calif.)	583.00	7	69	0	0	2	90	1	100	0	0	259.00	324.00
2	Lindenwood (Mo.)	578.50	8	66	7	69	6	73.5	11	66	1	100	374.50	204.00
3	Concordia (Calif.)	444.50	6	72	3	85	19	54.5	21	52	0	0	263.50	181.00
4	Fresno Pacific (Calif.)	440.00	4	80	2	90	36	32	17	57	0	0	259.00	181.00
5	Simon Fraser (B.C.)	421.00	3	85	5	75	4	80	0	0	16	42	282.00	139.00
6	California Baptist	374.00	2	90	1	100	0	0	0	0	14	48	238.00	136.00
7	Concordia (Ore.)	341.00	0	0	0	0	30	41.5	14	61.5	0	0	103.00	238.00
8	Embry Riddle Aeronautical (Fla.)	327.25	0	0	0	0	13	62.25	5	75	17	40	177.25	150.00
9	Biola (Calif.)	326.75	11	57	9	63	8	69.75	0	0	0	0	189.75	137.00
10	Black Hills State (S.D.)	275.75	0	0	0	0	8	69.75	28	44	0	0	113.75	162.00
11	King (Tenn.)	267.75	18	38	17	40	0	0	12	63.75	13	51	192.75	75.00
12	Mc Kendree (Ill.)	265.00	0	0	0	0	5	75	21	52	3	85	212.00	53.00
13	Indiana Institute of Tech	262.50	0	0	0	0	19	54.5	45	13	0	0	67.50	195.00
14	Cedarville (Ohio)	252.50	0	0	0	0	7	72	19	54.5	0	0	126.50	126.00
15	Malone (Ohio)	249.50	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	72	0	0	72.00	177.50
16	Lindsey Wilson (Ky.)	249.20	0	0	0	0	16	57.2	18	56	0	0	113.20	136.00
17	Dickinson State (N.D.)	247.00	0	0	0	0	15	60	2	90	6	72	222.00	25.00
18	Cumberlands (Ky.)	245.00	5	75	8	66	0	0	0	0	26	22	163.00	82.00
19	Doane (Neb.)	244.00	0	0	0	0	10	67.5	10	67.5	0	0	135.00	109.00
20	Concordia (Neb.)	241.00	0	0	0	0	11	65.25	12	63.75	0	0	129.00	112.00
21	Notre Dame (Ohio)	238.50	13	49.5	14	48	0	0	45	13	5	75	185.50	53.00
22	Oklahoma City	234.20	0	0	0	0	16	57.2	38	24	15	45	126.20	108.00
23	Morningside (Iowa)	234.00	17	40	13	51	0	0	0	0	21	32	123.00	111.00
24	Wayland Baptist (Tex.)	224.00	0	0	0	0	1	100	21	52	0	0	152.00	72.00
25	Idaho, College of	218.00	0	0	16	42	30	41.5	0	0	0	0	83.50	134.50
26	Hastings (Neb.)	213.50	0	0	0	0	35	36	16	58.5	25	24	118.50	95.00
27	Langston (Okla.)	202.25	0	0	0	0	13	62.25	4	80	0	0	142.25	60.00
28	Indiana Wesleyan	196.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	44	0	0	44.00	152.00
28	Shorter (Ga.)	196.00	0	0	0	0	21	51	9	69	0	0	120.00	76.00
30	Union (Ky.)	193.50	12	54	10	60	0	0	19	54.5	0	0	168.50	25.00
31	Cal State San Marcos	192.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	192.00
32	Sioux Falls (S.D.)	191.50	0	0	0	0	30	41.5	33	36	30	14	91.50	100.00
33	Savannah Art & Design (Ga.)	180.00	1	100	4	80	0	0	0	0	0	0	180.00	0.00

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34	Milligan (Tenn.)	173.50	0	0	12	54	0	0	0	0	0	0	54.00	119.50
35	Oklahoma Baptist	170.00	0	0	0	0	3	85	3	85	0	0	170.00	0.00
35	Southern Oregon	170.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	90	90.00	80.00
37	Baker (Kans.)	168.50	0	0	0	0	26	46.5	28	44	0	0	90.50	78.00
38	Lee (Tenn.)	150.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	150.00
39	Northwestern (Iowa)	148.50	0	0	0	0	30	41.5	0	0	20	34	75.50	73.00
40	Olivet Nazarene (Ill.)	148.00	0	0	0	0	39	25	38	24	0	0	49.00	99.00
41	Asbury (Ky.)	145.00	9	63	11	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	120.00	25.00
42	Aquinas (Mich.)	134.00	0	0	0	0	39	25	38	24	0	0	49.00	85.00
43	Shawnee State (Ohio)	133.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	133.00
44	Illinois Institute of Tech	132.00	10	60	6	72	0	0	0	0	0	0	132.00	0.00
45	St. Francis (Ind.)	129.50	0	0	0	0	26	46.5	0	0	0	0	46.50	83.00
46	Lewis Clark State (Id.)	129.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	129.00
46	Missouri Valley	129.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	49	4	80	129.00	0.00
48	Mobile (Ala.)	121.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	121.00
48	Westmont (Calif.)	121.00	0	0	0	0	21	51	0	0	0	0	51.00	70.00
50	Soka (Cali)	118.50	13	49.5	15	45	0	0	38	24	0	0	118.50	0.00
51	Vanguard (Calif.)	113.00	0	0	0	0	39	25	38	24	0	0	49.00	64.00
52	Oklahoma Christian	111.50	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	73.5	0	0	73.50	38.00
53	Bethel (Ind.)	110.50	0	0	0	0	30	41.5	28	44	0	0	85.50	25.00
54	Huntington (Ind.)	109.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	49	0	0	49.00	60.00
55	Southwestern (Kans.)	106.00	0	0	0	0	36	32	0	0	0	0	32.00	74.00
56	Park (Mo.)	102.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	102.00
56	St. Ambrose (Iowa)	102.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	13	0	0	13.00	89.00
58	Cornerstone (Mich.)	101.25	0	0	0	0	11	65.25	33	36	0	0	101.25	0.00
59	Bethel (Tenn.)	100.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	100.00
60	Point Loma Nazarene (Calif.)	99.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	99.00
61	Dordt (Iowa)	98.50	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	36	0	0	36.00	62.50
62	Siena Heights (Mich.)	95.50	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	70.5	0	0	70.50	25.00
63	Maine Fort Kent	95.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	95.00
64	Grand View (Iowa)	91.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	66	66.00	25.00
65	Madonna (Mich.)	90.50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	90.50
66	Carroll (Mont.)	90.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	90.00

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66	Rio Grande (Ohio)	90.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	90.00
68	Bellevue (Neb.)	89.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	89.00
69	Menlo (Calif.)	85.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	60	60.00	25.00
70	Campbellsville (Ky.)	83.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	69	69.00	14.00
70	Dana (Neb.)	83.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	30	30.00	53.00
70	Mount Vernon Nazarene (Ohio)	83.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	83.00
70	Trinity Christian (Ill.)	83.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	83.00
74	Northwood (Fla.)	78.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	78.00
75	William Penn (Iowa)	77.00	0	0	0	0	36	32	0	0	27	20	52.00	25.00
76	Berry (Ga.)	75.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	75.00
77	Georgetown (Ky.)	73.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	73.00
77	Lubbock Christian (Tex.)	73.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	73.00
79	Graceland (Iowa)	70.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	70.00
79	Martin Methodist (Tenn.)	70.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	70.00
79	William Carey (Miss.)	70.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	70.00
82	Union (Tenn.)	65.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	65.00
83	Columbia (Mo.)	64.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	64.00
83	Voorhees (S.C.)	64.00	0	0	0	0	21	51	45	13	0	0	64.00	0.00
85	Montana State Northern	63.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	63	63.00	0.00
86	Jamestown (N.D.)	62.50	0	0	0	0	26	46.5	0	0	29	16	62.50	0.00
87	Berea (Ky.)	61.00	15	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45.00	16.00
88	Cal State Hayward (Eastbay)	60.00	16	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	42.00	18.00
88	Southern New Orleans	60.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	60	0	0	60.00	0.00
90	Goshen (Ind.)	57.20	0	0	0	0	16	57.2	0	0	0	0	57.20	0.00
91	Missouri Baptist	57.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	57	57.00	0.00
92	Great Falls (Mont.)	54.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	54	54.00	0.00
93	Southern Nazarene (Okla.)	53.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	53.00
94	Bethany (Kans.)	51.00	0	0	0	0	21	51	0	0	0	0	51.00	0.00
94	Clarke (Mass)	51.00	0	0	0	0	21	51	0	0	0	0	51.00	0.00
96	Lambuth (Tenn.)	50.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	50.00
97	Evangel (Mo.)	49.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	49	0	0	49.00	0.00
97	Mid America Nazarene (Kans.)	49.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	24	0	0	24.00	25.00
99	Eastern Oregon	47.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	47	0	0	47.00	0.00

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100	Huston Tillotson (Tex.)	46.50	0	0	0	0	26	46.5	0	0	0	0	46.50	0.00
101	Culver Stockton (Mo.)	44.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	44	0	0	44.00	0.00
102	Briar Cliff (Iowa)	38.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	38	38.00	0.00
102	Spring Arbor (Mich.)	38.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	38.00
104	Walsh (Ohio)	37.50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	37.50
105	Bryan (Tenn.)	36.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	36	0	0	36.00	0.00
105	Cumberland (Tenn.)	36.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	36	36.00	0.00
105	Midland Lutheran (Neb.)	36.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	36	0	0	36.00	0.00
105	St. Xavier (Ill.)	36.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	36.00
109	Brenau (Ga.)	35.00	19	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35.00	0.00
109	Stephens (Mo.)	35.00	19	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35.00	0.00
109	William Jessup	35.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	35.00
112	Dakota Wesleyan (S.D.)	28.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	28	28.00	0.00
113	Waldorf (Iowa)	26.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	26	26.00	0.00
114	Benedictine (Kans.)	25.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	25.00
114	Bethel (Kans.)	25.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	25.00
114	Dakota State (S.D.)	25.00	0	0	0	0	39	25	0	0	0	0	25.00	0.00
114	Friends (Kans.)	25.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	25.00
114	Hannibal La Grange (Mo.)	25.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	25.00
114	Holy Names (Calif.)	25.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	25.00
114	Houghton (N.Y.)	25.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	25.00
114	Judson (Ill.)	25.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	25.00
114	Kansas Wesleyan	25.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	25.00
114	Mc Pherson (Kans.)	25.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	25.00
114	Ohio Dominican	25.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	25.00
114	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	25.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	25.00
114	St. Thomas (Tex.)	25.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	25.00
114	Texas Brownsville	25.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	25.00
114	Texas Wesleyan	25.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	25.00
114	Webber International (Fla.)	25.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	25.00
114	Wiley (Tex.)	25.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	25.00
131	Warner Southern (Fla.)	24.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	24	0	0	24.00	0.00
132	Xavier Louisiana	22.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	22.00

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133	Northwood (Tex.)	18.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	18.00
133	York (Neb.)	18.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	18	18.00	0.00
135	Mount Mercy (Iowa)	16.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	16.00
136	Brescia (Ky.)	12.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	12.00
136	West Virginia Tech	12.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	12	12.00	0.00

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