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### **CONFERENCE STANDINGS**

	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.	Streak
Northwest Missouri	4-1	0.800	11-2	0.846	W5
Central Oklahoma	4-1	0.800	11-3	0.786	L1
Pittsburg State	3-1	0.750	7-5	0.583	W1
Nebraska Kearney	4-2	0.667	8-4	0.667	L1
Lindenwood	4-2	0.667	8-6	0.571	W4
Central Missouri	3-2	0.600	12-2	0.857	W1
Washburn	3-3	0.500	8-9	0.471	L1
Missouri Southern	2-2	0.500	8-5	0.615	L1
Fort Hays State	2-3	0.400	8-5	0.615	L1
Southwest Baptist	2-3	0.400	7-7	0.500	W2
Missouri Western	2-3	0.400	6-6	0.500	W1
Emporia State	1-4	0.200	8-6	0.571	L1
Northeastern State	1-4	0.200	3-9	0.250	L1
Lincoln	1-5	0.167	4-11	0.267	L5

# **Upcoming MIAA Previews:**



### #17 Central Missouri home for four of five

Last Week: 1/3 l. to Nebraska-Kearney 65-64 1/5 d. Washburn 63-60

Upcoming: 1/8 vs. Pittsburg State 7:30 p.m. 1/10 vs. Emporia State 3:30 p.m.

#17 Central Missouri will welcome Pittsburg State and Emporia State as they play four of their next five games at home. The Mules are led by Rakeem Dickerson who is averaging 13.6 points and 5.1 assists per game. Dillon Deck is averaging 11.6 points per game while TJ White is averaging 6.5 boards per contest.



### Central Oklahoma away from home for four

Last Week: 1/3 I. to Northwest Missouri 91-70

Upcoming: 1/8 at Missouri Southern 7:30 p.m. 1/10 at Southwest Baptist 3:30 p.m.

Central Oklahoma will go on the road for four straight as they travel to Missouri Southern and Southwest Baptist in week eight. The Bronchos are led by Mahlon Jones who is averaging 14.7 points and Garen Wright with 13.6 points per game. Also in double figures is Cal Andrews who is averaging 10.1 points per contest.



#### Emporia State starts long road trip

Last Week: 12/31 d. Sterling 85-54 1/3 d. Lincoln 75-54 1/5 l. to Lindenwood 67-49

Upcoming: 1/8 at Missouri Western 7:30 p.m. 1/10 at #17 Central Missouri 3:30 p.m.

Emporia State will be on the road for five straight games starting with trips to Missouri Western and #17 Central Missouri. The Hornets are led by Terrence Moore who is averaging 17.0 points and a team best 4.3 rebounds per game. Also in double figures is Jevon Taylor who is averaging 10.9 points per contest.

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#### Fort Hays State goes on the road

Last Week: 1/3 d. Missouri Southern 80-70 1/5 l. to Southwest Baptist 72-70

Upcoming: 1/8 at Lindenwood 7:30 p.m. 1/10 at Lincoln 3:30 p.m.

Fort Hays State will head east to face Lindenwood and Lincoln. The Tigers are led by Craig Nicholson with 15.8 points and 6.3 assists per game. Also in double figures is Dom Samac who is averaging 10.6 points per contest.



#### Lincoln play five of six at home

Last Week: 1/3 l. to Emporia State 75-54 1/5 l. to Pittsburg State 74-50

Upcoming: 1/10 vs. Fort Hays State 3:30 p.m.

Lincoln will play five of their next six games at home beginning against Fort Hays State. The Blue Tigers are led by Joshua Buie with 17.6 points and Victor Scott with 11.5 points per game.



# Lindenwood rides four game winning streak

Last Week: 1/3 d. Pittsburg State 69-65 1/5 d. Emporia State 67-49

Upcoming: 1/8 vs. Fort Hays State 7:30 p.m.

Lindenwood will put a four game winning streak to the test when they face Fort Hays State. The Lions are led by Cory Arentsen who is averaging 15.1 points and Darris Smith with 12.4 points per contest.



# Missouri Southern plays Oklahoma schools

Last Week: 1/3 I. to Fort Hays State 80-70

Upcoming: 1/8 vs. Central Oklahoma 7:30 p.m. 1/10 vs. Northeastern State 3 p.m.

Missouri Southern will begin a homestand of two games against Central Oklahoma and Northeastern State. The Lions are led by Taevaunn Prince with 15.9 points and 6.4 rebounds per game and Lane Barlow who is averaging 13.3 points per contest.



### Missouri Western plays two at home

Last Week: 1/3 l. to Washburn 85-60 1/5 d. Nebraska-Kearney 81-77

Upcoming: 1/8 vs. Emporia State 7:30 p.m. 1/10 vs. Pittsburg State 3:30 p.m.

Missouri Western be at home for four of their next five games beginning in week eight. The Griffons are led by Cortrez Colbert who is averaging 13.5 points and Kevin Thomas with 5.3 rebounds per contest.



#### Nebraska-Kearney plays one away from home

Last Week: 1/3 d. #8 Central Missouri 65-64 1/5 l. to Missouri Western 81-77

Upcoming: 1/8 at Northwest Missouri 7:30 p.m.

Nebraska-Kearney will hit the road for a game with Northwest Missouri. The Lopers are led by Ethan Brozek with 19.5 points and 9.0 rebounds and MIAA Athlete of the Week Connor Beranek with 17.5 points and 7.8 rebounds per game.



#### Northeastern State will be on the road for two

Last Week: 12/31 d. Central Christian 89-73 1/5 l. to Northwest Missouri 83-59 Upcoming: 1/8 at Southwest Baptist 7:30 p.m. 1/10 at Missouri Southern 3 p.m.

Northeastern State will play four straight away from home. For the RiverHawks Demone Harrison is averaging 13.1 points and Keon Littleton is averaging 10.6 points and 6.1 rebounds per game.

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# 2014-15 National Association of Basketball Coaches Poll

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RK School	Rec.	Pts	Prv.
1 West Liberty (16)	10-0	400	1
2 Colo-Colorado Springs	13-0	376	3
3 Tarleton State	12-0	370	4
4 Lincoln Memorial	12-0	340	5
5 Indianapolis	11-0	334	7
6 Bellarmine	10-1	320	6
7 Florida Southern	11-1	289	2
8 Barry	9-1	279	11
9 Colorado Mines	11-0	276	9
10 Metro State	11-2	251	10
11 California Baptist	10-1	229	12
12 Augustana (S.D.)	13-1	215	13
13 MSU-Moorhead	16-1	209	14
14 Azusa Pacific	13-1	195	15
15 St. Edward's	12-0	160	17
16 MSU-Mankato	11-2	142	16
17 Central Missouri	11-2	139	8
18 BYU-Hawaii	9-1	114	21
19 Angelo State	12-1	103	22
20 Indiana (Pa.)	12-2	95	20
21 Lewis	10-1	93	23
22 Lander	12-0	65	25
23 UNC Pembroke	12-1	27	NR
24 Mount Olive	12-2	26	18
25 Ferris State	10-2	22	NR

Others Receiving Votes: Newberry 21, Seattle Pacific 17, Drury 15, Wisconsin-Parkside 15, Lake Superior State 12, Northwest Missouri State 9, Point Loma Nazarene 9, King (Tenn.) 8, Sonoma State 8, American International 5, Midwestern State 4, Western Oregon 4, Southern Indiana 3, Northern State 2, Southern Connecticut State 1, Texas A&M-Commerce 1, West Georgia 1.



#### Northwest Missouri at home for three

Last Week: 12/31 d. Avila 85-67 1/3 d. Central Okla. 91-70 1/5 d. Northeastern St. 83-59 Upcoming: 1/8 vs. Nebraska-Kearney 7:30 p.m. 1/10 vs. Washburn 3:30 p.m. Northwest Missouri will put a five game winning streak to the test as they open a three game homestand. The Bearcats are led by Justin Pitts with 16.8 points, Conner Crooker with 14.5 points and Zach Schneider with 13.8 points per game.



#### Pittsburg State hits the road

Last Week: 12/31 d. Ark Tech 73-68 1/3 l. to Lindenwood 69-65 1/5 d. Lincoln 74-50 Upcoming: 1/8 at #17 Central Missouri 7:30 p.m. 1/10 at Missouri Western 3:30 p.m. Pittsburg State will hit the road for two this week against #17 UCM and MWSU. The Gorillas are led by Josiah Gustafson with 16.6 points and Devon Branch who is averaging 15.8 points per contest.



### Southwest Baptist faces Oklahoma teams

Last Week: 1/5 d. Fort Hays State 72-70

Upcoming: 1/8 vs. Northeastern St. 7:30 p.m. 1/10 vs. Central Oklahoma 3:30 p.m. Southwest Baptist will face the two teams from Oklahoma at home this week. The Bearcats are led by Menas Stephens who is averaging a double-double scoring 11.4 points and pulling down 10.4 rebounds per contest.



#### Washburn goes to Maryville

Last Week: 12/31 d. Baker 74-47 1/3 d. Missouri Western 85-60 1/5 l. to #8 Central Missouri 63-60 Upcoming: 1/10 at Northwest Missouri 3:30 p.m. Washburn will go on the road to face Northwest Missouri in week eight. The Ichabods are led by Kyle Wiggins who is averaging 13.1 points and Alex North with 12.3 points and 6.8 rebounds per game.