

ASU falls to No.2 in FCS Poll

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Following a tough loss at East Carolina on Saturday, Appalachian State, the pre-season No.1 team in the nation, has fallen from its perch in the FCS Coaches Poll.

Richmond, which defeated ASU last season and won the national championship, is the new No.1 team in the country. The Spiders, who received 103 of 122 first-place votes, defeated Duke 24-16 in Durham on Saturday night. ASU received ten first-place votes. Villanova, Northern Iowa and William and Mary each received three first-place votes each; South Carolina State received one first-place vote.

Villanova, a 27-24 winner against Temple, was at No.3, Northern Iowa, which lost a one-point game at Iowa on Saturday is at No.4, and Montana, which beat Division II Western State, is at No.5. James Madison, which didn't play last week, is at No.6, William and Mary, Southern Illinois, New Hampshire and Elon round out the top ten.

Wofford, which lost to South Florida, falls from tenth to 14th in the coaches poll. McNeese State, which plays ASU at Kidd Brewer Stadium on Saturday, is 16th. The Cowboys (1-0) struggled in their season opener, beating Division II Henderson State, 27-24. Our coverage for the ASU-McNeese State game Saturday begins at 1:30 pm on WATA 1450 AM. Mountaineer Talk with David Jackson will air at 7 pm Thursday night on WATA.

NOTES: Former Mountaineer Corey Lynch is on the Cincinnati Bengals practice squad.

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