

Mountaineers Ranked Third in FCS & TSN Polls

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The Appalachian State University football team, which begins Southern Conference play Saturday at home against Chattanooga, is ranked third in the FCS Coaches Top 25 and The Sports Network Poll for the third week in a row.

The Mountaineers (2-1), who battered North Carolina A&T and Savannah State in their last two games, did receive nine first-place votes in the TSN Poll. The Mountaineers take on Chattanooga in a top-25 match-up in the SoCon opener Saturday at Kidd Brewer Stadium. The Mocs (2-1), who defeated Eastern Kentucky on the road Saturday, are ranked 13th in the TSN Poll and 17th in the FCS Coaches Poll.

Georgia Southern, ASU's bitter rival, is the unanimous No.1 team in the country this week. The Eagles, who had a bye week, are ranked No.1 in both the TSN and FCS Coaches Top 25. The Eagles received 115 first-place votes in the TSN Poll, and they received 23 first-place votes in the Coaches Poll. The Eagles travel to Cullowee to take on Western Carolina Saturday in a 6 p.m. game.

Wofford College, which also had a bye week last Saturday, moved up to eighth in the Coaches Poll; the Terriers (1-1) are ninth in the TSN Poll. The Terriers travel to Birmingham, AL., to play Samford in a 7 p.m. game.

Northern Iowa (second), Montana State (fourth) and Richmond (fifth) round out the top five in the TSN Poll; Northern Iowa (second). Montana State (fourth) and William & Mary (fifth) round out the top five in the FCS Coaches Poll.

William & Mary, Delaware, North Dakota State, Wofford College and Montana round out the top ten in the TSN Poll; North Dakota State, Delaware, Wofford College, Richmond, and Eastern Washington, which is 0-3, round out the top ten in the Coaches Poll. Eastern Washington, last year's national champion, is ranked 21st in the TSN Poll.

Our coverage of ASU-Chattanooga begins at 1:30 p.m Saturday on AM 1450, WATA.

The Sports Network/Fathead.com FCS Top-25 College Football Poll

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1. Georgia Southern Eagles	(115)	2-0	3,742	1
2. Northern Iowa Panthers	(15)	1-1	3,485	2
3. Appalachian State Mountaineers	(9)	2-1	3,402	3
4. Montana State Bobcats	(1)	2-1	3,179	5
5. Richmond Spiders	(11)	3-0	3,082	6
6. William & Mary Tribe	(1)	2-1	3,078	4
7. Delaware Blue Hens	(1)	2-1	2,918	7
8. North Dakota State Bison	(1)	2-0	2,728	8
9. Wofford Terriers		1-1	2,637	9
10. Montana Grizzlies		2-1	2,353	12
11. New Hampshire Wildcats		1-1	2,290	11
12. James Madison Dukes		2-1	1,927	13
13. Chattanooga Mocs		2-1	1,855	14
14. Southern Illinois Salukis		1-1	1,614	15
15. Lehigh Mountain Hawks		2-1	1,596	16
16. Jacksonville State Gamecocks		2-1	1,466	17
17. Massachusetts Minutemen		2-0	1,247	21
18. South Dakota Coyotes		2-1	955	24
19. McNeese State Cowboys		1-1	846	23
20. Sam Houston State Bearkats		2-0	688	NR
21. Eastern Washington Eagles		0-3	594	10
22. Stephen F. Austin Lumberjacks		1-2	568	19
23. Southern Utah Thunderbirds		2-1	546	NR
24. Murray State Racers		2-1	446	NR
25. South Carolina State Bulldogs		1-2	336	25

Others receiving votes: Liberty 332, Jackson State 260, Central Arkansas 249, Old Dominion 240, Youngstown State 228, Towson 184, Maine 105, Indiana State 102, Sacramento State 101, Holy Cross 82, Weber State 52, Bethune-Cookman 50, Tennessee Tech 41, Alabama State 41, Eastern Kentucky 37, Yale 37, Hampton 37, Elon 31, South Dakota State 27, North Dakota 26, Portland State 26, Cal Poly 23, Brown 20, Rhode Island 19, Western Illinois 18, UC Davis 13, Central Connecticut State 13, Stony Brook 11, Penn 10, Villanova 9, Dartmouth 8, Idaho State 7, Campbell 7, Delaware State 6, UT Martin 6, Lafayette 4, Monmouth 3, Southeastern Louisiana 2, Jacksonville 2, Dayton 1, San Diego 1, North Carolina Central 1.

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FCS Coaches Poll

No. School Record Points Prev

1	Georgia Southern (23)	2-0	695	2
2	Northern Iowa (4)	1-1	631	3
3	Appalachian State	2-1	621	3
4	Montana State	2-1	588	6
5	William & Mary	2-1	582	5
6	North Dakota State	2-0	532	8
7	Delaware	2-1	510	7
8	Wofford	1-1	486	9
9	Richmond	3-0	482	11
10	Eastern Washington (1)	0-3	457	1
11	Montana	2-1	398	13
12	New Hampshire	1-1	353	16
13	Stephen F. Austin	1-2	272	12
14	James Madison	2-1	269	17
15	Southern Illinois	1-1	268	15
16	Jacksonville State	2-1	243	10
17	Chattanooga	2-1	221	25
18	Central Arkansas	1-2	207	20
19	Lehigh	2-1	200	14
20	Liberty	1-2	181	21
21	South Carolina State	1-2	160	23
22	McNeese State	1-1	120	22
23	South Dakota	2-1	96	0
24	Sacramento State	1-2	92	18
25	Massachusetts	2-0	68	26

Others Receiving Votes: Pennsylvania(0-1) 41; Murray State(2-1) 29; Youngstown State(2-1) 29; Eastern Kentucky(1-2) 28; Southern Utah(2-1) 22; Villanova(0-3) 22; Eastern Illinois(1-2) 18; Indiana State(2-1) 18; Bethune-Cookman(1-1) 18; Sam Houston State(2-0) 14; Jackson State(3-0) 14; Western Illinois(1-2) 9; Harvard(0-1) 9; Coastal Carolina(2-1) 9; Illinois State(1-2) 7; Butler(2-1) 6; Towson(2-0) 6; UC Davis(1-2) 6; Dayton(2-1) 5; South Dakota State(1-2) 5; Cal

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Poly(1-2) 4; Weber State(1-2) 2; Hampton(2-1) 2; Jacksonville (Fl)(1-2) 2; Furman(1-1) 1;
Central Connecticut State(2-1) 1.