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**NCAC All-Sports Update**

**For Immediate Release**

**DENISON CLAIMS FIFTH CONSECUTIVE ALL-SPORTS TITLE;  
BIG RED CLAIM THREE NCAC TITLES IN 2001-02**

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**CLEVELAND** -- Denison posted top-two finishes in 12 of 22 sports on the way to a successful defense of the North Coast Athletic Conference All-Sports Championship. The Big Red stood a close second after the winter season, five points behind then-leader Wittenberg, but recovered their lead with a strong spring performance. Denison earned three championships and three second-place finishes this spring to total 167.5 points. Denison, winners of five consecutive All-Sports crowns (six overall), also won the title in the 1985-86 season.

Wittenberg, which won the award in 1995-96, totaled 164 points to earn second place. The Tigers won five championships overall, including one this spring, to improve last year's third-place finish. Former champions Ohio Wesleyan and Wooster (149) tied for third, followed by Allegheny (146.5) in fifth. Kenyon (137.5), Oberlin (91.0), Wabash (61.0), Earlham (57.0) and Hiram (53.5) took positions six through ten.

Denison's championship campaign featured three NCAC titles -- men's lacrosse, softball and women's tennis. The Big Red picked up nine second place finishes to cement their All-Sports win. In addition to Wittenberg, two teams advanced one spot in the standings: Wabash improved from ninth to eighth and Wooster moved from fourth into a tie for third.

The All-Sports award is given annually to the school that performs the best across the NCAC's 22 sports. Ten points are awarded for a first-place finish, nine for a second, eight for a third, and so on. Men's and women's performances are combined, exemplifying the North Coast's commitment to equity and balance among programs. Wooster won three of the first four All-Sports championships, interrupted only by Denison in year two. Ohio Wesleyan followed with a six-year run before titles by Wooster (twice), Wittenberg and Denison (five times) over the past eight seasons. Ohio Wesleyan leads the way with 83 team championships during the NCAC's 18 playing seasons. Allegheny, Denison and Kenyon are next with 73 titles, followed by Wooster (48) and Wittenberg (46).

**NORTH COAST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE  
2001-02 All-Sports Standings (Final)**

<b>School</b>	<b>Points</b>
1. Denison University .....	167.5
2. Wittenberg University .....	164.0
3. Ohio Wesleyan University .....	149.0
College of Wooster .....	149.0
5. Allegheny College .....	146.5
6. Kenyon College .....	137.5
7. Oberlin College .....	91.0
8. Wabash College .....	61.0
9. Earlham College .....	57.0
10. Hiram College .....	53.5

**NORTH COAST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE  
2001-02 ALL-SPORTS STANDINGS**

	<b>ALL</b>	<b>DEN</b>	<b>ERL</b>	<b>HIR</b>	<b>KEN</b>	<b>OBE</b>	<b>OWU</b>	<b>WAB</b>	<b>WIT</b>	<b>WOO</b>
Cross Country, Men	7.0	5.0	2.0	1.0	10.0	6.0	4.0	8.0	3.0	9.0
Cross Country, Women	9.0	8.0	5.0	3.0	10.0	7.0	2.0	--	6.0	4.0
Field Hockey	--	7.0	4.5	--	4.5	7.0	7.0	--	9.0	10.0
Football	7.0	3.5	5.5	1.5	1.5	3.5	8.5	8.5	10.0	5.5
Soccer, Men	7.5	9.0	3.0	2.0	7.5	1.0	10.0	4.5	4.5	6.0
Soccer, Women	7.5	9.0	4.0	2.5	5.0	2.5	10.0	--	7.5	6.0
Volleyball	8.0	9.0	2.0	5.5	4.0	3.0	5.5	--	10.0	7.0
<b>Fall</b>	<b>46.0</b>	<b>50.5</b>	<b>26.0</b>	<b>15.5</b>	<b>42.5</b>	<b>30.0</b>	<b>47.0</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>47.5</b>
Basketball, Men	6.5	4.5	4.5	3.0	2.0	1.0	6.5	8.0	10.0	9.0
Basketball, Women	7.0	8.0	5.0	2.0	6.0	4.0	9.0	--	10.0	3.0
Swimming, Men	5.0	9.0	--	4.0	10.0	2.0	3.0	8.0	7.0	6.0
Swimming, Women	6.0	9.0	--	3.0	10.0	4.0	5.0	--	7.0	8.0
Indoor Track, Men	8.0	5.0	1.0	2.0	6.5	3.0	10.0	6.5	9.0	4.0
Indoor Track, Women	10.0	9.0	4.0	3.0	2.0	8.0	5.0	--	7.0	6.0
<b>Winter</b>	<b>42.5</b>	<b>44.5</b>	<b>14.5</b>	<b>17.0</b>	<b>36.5</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>38.5</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>36.0</b>
<b>Total After Winter</b>	<b>88.5</b>	<b>95.0</b>	<b>40.5</b>	<b>32.5</b>	<b>79.0</b>	<b>52.0</b>	<b>85.5</b>	<b>43.5</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>83.5</b>
Baseball	7.5	5.5	1.5	3.5	5.5	1.5	9.0	3.5	7.5	10.0
Golf	9.0	8.0	--	4.0	5.0	2.0	10.0	3.0	7.0	6.0
Lacrosse, Men	--	10.0	--	--	8.0	5.0	9.0	--	7.0	6.0
Lacrosse, Women	4.0	9.0	3.0	--	7.0	5.5	8.0	--	5.5	10.0
Softball	8.5	10.0	--	4.0	7.0	3.0	6.0	--	5.0	8.5
Tennis, Men	6.0	9.0	4.0	1.5	10.0	3.0	1.5	5.0	8.0	7.0
Tennis, Women	5.0	10.0	3.0	2.0	9.0	7.0	6.0	--	8.0	4.0
Outdoor Track, Men	8.0	2.0	1.0	3.0	5.0	4.0	9.0	6.0	10.0	7.0
Outdoor Track, Women	10.0	9.0	4.0	3.0	2.0	8.0	5.0	--	6.0	7.0
<b>Spring</b>	<b>58.0</b>	<b>72.5</b>	<b>16.5</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>58.5</b>	<b>39.0</b>	<b>63.5</b>	<b>17.5</b>	<b>64.0</b>	<b>65.5</b>
<b>FINAL TOTAL</b>	<b>146.5</b>	<b>167.5</b>	<b>57.0</b>	<b>53.5</b>	<b>137.5</b>	<b>91.0</b>	<b>149.0</b>	<b>61.0</b>	<b>164.0</b>	<b>149.0</b>

Note: Points awarded on a 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 basis.