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NCAC All-Sports Update

For Immediate Release

**DENISON CLAIMS SEVENTH CONSECUTIVE ALL-SPORTS TITLE;
BIG RED CLAIM SEVEN NCAC TITLES IN 2003-04**

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CLEVELAND -- Denison posted top-two finishes in 10 of 22 sports on the way to a successful defense of the North Coast Athletic Conference All-Sports Championship. The Big Red opened the year in third place at the conclusion of the fall season. Denison surged up the standings after the winter season, and held a slim two-point lead over Allegheny. The Big Red solidified their unprecedented seventh-straight All-Sports title with a strong spring performance. They earned three championships and three second-place finishes this spring to compile 71 points, giving Denison a year-long total of 170. The Big Red, who have now claimed eight All-Sports crowns overall, also won the title in the 1985-86 season.

Allegheny totaled 160 points to earn second place. The Gators won five championships overall to improve upon last year's fourth-place finish. Ohio Wesleyan (150) finished third, followed by Wittenberg (149) and Wooster (148.5) in fourth and fifth, respectively. Kenyon (122), Oberlin (102), Earlham and Wabash (57.5), and Hiram (55.5) took positions six through ten.

Denison's championship campaign featured seven outright or shared NCAC titles -- women's cross country, swimming, indoor track, outdoor track and tennis, along with men's lacrosse and soccer. The Big Red picked up 19 top-five finishes to cement their All-Sports win. Two teams advanced two spots in the standings from last year: Allegheny improved from fourth to second and Ohio Wesleyan moved from fifth to 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 leading to titles by Wooster (twice), Wittenberg (once) and finally Denison in each of the past seven seasons.

Ohio Wesleyan leads the way with 92 team championships during the NCAC's 20 playing seasons. Allegheny is next with 84 titles, followed by Denison (83), Kenyon (76), Wittenberg (54) and Wooster (53).

**NORTH COAST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE
2003-04 All-Sports Standings (Final)**

School	Points
1. Denison University	170.0
2. Allegheny College	160.0
3. Ohio Wesleyan University.....	150.0
4. Wittenberg University	149.0
5. College of Wooster	148.5
6. Kenyon College	122.0
7. Oberlin College	102.0
8. Earlham College.....	57.5
Wabash College.....	57.5
10. Hiram College	55.5

**NORTH COAST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE
2003-04 ALL-SPORTS STANDINGS**

	ALL	DEN	ERL	HIR	KEN	OBE	OWU	WAB *	WIT	WOO
Cross Country, Men	9.0	6.0	3.0	2.0	10.0	7.0	4.0	5.0	1.0	8.0
Cross Country, Women	9.0	10.0	4.0	2.0	8.0	5.0	6.0	--	3.0	7.0
Field Hockey	--	7.0	5.0	--	6.0	9.0	4.0	--	9.0	9.0
Football	10.0	4.5	3.0	2.0	--	8.0	4.5	8.0	8.0	6.0
Soccer, Men	7.0	9.5	2.0	1.0	3.0	6.0	8.0	4.0	5.0	9.5
Soccer, Women	10.0	8.0	3.0	2.0	6.0	4.0	9.0	--	5.0	7.0
Volleyball	9.0	7.0	2.0	8.0	5.0	4.0	3.0	--	10.0	6.0
Fall	54.0	52.0	22.0	17.0	38.0	43.0	38.5	17.0	41.0	52.5
Basketball, Men	6.0	3.0	4.5	1.5	4.5	1.5	8.0	7.0	10.0	9.0
Basketball, Women	9.0	8.0	5.0	2.0	6.0	3.0	7.0	--	10.0	4.0
Swimming, Men	5.0	9.0	--	3.0	10.0	4.0	2.0	8.0	6.0	7.0
Swimming, Women	5.0	10.0	--	4.0	9.0	3.0	6.0	--	7.0	8.0
Indoor Track, Men	10.0	7.0	4.0	1.0	2.0	3.0	9.0	6.0	8.0	5.0
Indoor Track, Women	8.0	10.0	5.0	4.0	2.0	7.0	9.0	--	6.0	3.0
Winter	43.0	47.0	18.5	15.5	33.5	21.5	41.0	21.0	47.0	36.0
Baseball	7.5	9.0	1.5	5.5	3.5	1.5	7.5	3.5	5.5	10.0
Golf	8.0	9.0	--	2.0	4.0	3.0	10.0	6.0	7.0	5.0
Lacrosse, Men	--	9.0	--	--	6.0	5.0	9.0	--	7.0	9.0
Lacrosse, Women	9.0	8.0	--	--	7.0	4.0	5.5	--	5.5	10.0
Softball	9.5	4.0	--	5.0	7.0	3.0	9.5	--	8.0	6.0
Tennis, Men	7.0	6.0	1.5	1.5	10.0	8.0	4.0	3.0	5.0	9.0
Tennis, Women	3.0	10.0	4.0	2.0	8.0	6.0	9.0	--	7.0	5.0
Outdoor Track, Men	10.0	6.0	5.0	3.0	2.0	1.0	8.0	7.0	9.0	4.0
Outdoor Track, Women	9.0	10.0	5.0	4.0	3.0	6.0	8.0	--	7.0	2.0
Spring	63.0	71.0	17.0	23.0	50.5	37.5	70.5	19.5	61.0	60.0
2003-04 TOTALS	160.0	170.0	57.5	55.5	122.0	102.0	150.0	57.5	149.0	148.5

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

* Wabash is an all-male institution