

# *Lighting-up the Scoreboard*

## *Weekly Updates of College Football Teams Scoring*

### 500 or more Points

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After many thrilling upsets in Bowl Subdivision over the weekend; add the thrill of a post-season for NCAA II-III and the NAIA all went into making this past weekend one to remember—as upsets and high scoring teams helped punctuate an exciting time in college football.

Seven teams have now reached the 500+ Point plateau with; while a number of other teams are headed towards the end zone striving to join the others this list.

- **Bubble Teams:** *Ones that are 50 or less from 500.* [Another 8 are on the heels from teams that are on this list.]

Points needed 500+	Team	Division	Pts Last Game	Current Total
2	St. Francis (Ill.)	NAIA	21	498
4	North Central IL	NCAA III	59	496
5	Stanford	BSD	31	495
7	Wisconsin	BSD	28	493
20	North Greenville	NCAA II	63	480
20	Washburn	NCAA II	52	480
34	Mount Union	NCAA III	47	466
38	Toledo	BSD	44	462
43	Northern Illinois	BSD	41	457
50	Kutztown	NCAA II	17	450

- **1<sup>st</sup> to 600+ in 2011**

Northwest Missouri continues to climb the ladder. This past weekend the school became 2011's 1<sup>st</sup> school to score over 600+ points—as it has currently tallied 627 points. This mark ties Georgetown (Kentucky) 2000 NAIA National Champion's mark for 61<sup>st</sup> highest of all time [1885-2011.]

It is also 26 points from the school's highest single-season total of 653; established in 1998, when Northwest won its first NCAA II title.

Three spots (115-118) and a single-point separates the highest scoring team in BSD and the NAIA.

Houston is one of three teams to have scored 584 points in a single-season; while St. Xavier (Ill.) is the second college football eleven to tally 583 points.

### ❖ A Big Drop-off

The next team over 500+ is first timer Azusa Pacific—536 points—and is currently sitting at No. 246 after surpassing the 500+ mark for the first time in school history with a playoff triumph in the first round of the NAIA Post-Season action.

### ✓ 2011 500+ Point Standings

Northwest Missouri					
61	2011	627	State	NCAA II	10-2
	2000	627	Georgetown (Ky.)	NAIA	14-0
112	2011	584	Houston	BSD	11-0
	1989	584	Georgia Southern	NCAA 1AA	15-0
	1988	584	Oklahoma State	NCAA 1A	10-2
115	2011	583	St. Xavier IL	NAIA	12-1
	1999	583	Florida A & M	NCAA 1AA	10-4
196	2011	548	Oklahoma State	BSD	10-0
	2010	548	Shepherd	NCAA II	12-2
246	2011	536	Azusa Pacific (Calif.)	NAIA	9-2
	1993	536	Florida State	NCAA 1A	12-1
	1990	536	Hofstra	NCAA III	11-2
306	2011	521	Sailsbury	NCAA II	10-1
	2010	521	McPherson	NAIA	10-1
	2010	521	Oklahoma	BSD	13-1
	2008	521	Lindenwood	NAIA	12-1
	2007	521	St. Francis (Ind.)	NAIA	11-2
	2005	521	Louisville	NCAA 1A	9-3

	2004	521	Washington & Jefferson	NCAA III	12-1
	1995	521	Nevada	BSD	9-3
<b>395</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>Midwestern State TX</b>	<b>NCAA II</b>	<b>10-0</b>
	2010	504	Georgetown KY	NAIA	9-2
	2010	504	Ohio State	BSD	12-1
	2010	504	West Texas A&M	NCAA II	8-4
	2008	504	Central Washington	NCAA II	11-1
	2005	504	St. John's (Minn.)	NCAA III	11-1
	2001	504	Central Arkansas	NCAA II	9-3
	2001	504	Winona State	NCAA II	10-2
	1999	504	Lambuth	NAIA	8-4
	1944	504	Army	Major College	9-0
	1912	504	Carlisle	Small College	12-1-1
<b>411</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>502</b>	<b>Oregon</b>	<b>BSD</b>	<b>7-1</b>
	2010	502	Franklin	NCAA III	9-2
	2009	502	Cincinnati	BSD	12-1
	2009	502	Florida	BSD	13-1
	2007	502	California PA	NCAA II	13-1
	2007	502	U. Central Florida	BSD	10-4
	2002	502	Hawaii	NCAA 1A	10-4
	2000	502	North Dakota State	NCAA II	12-2
	2000	502	Western Connecticut State	NCAA III	10-1
	1996	502	Valdosta State	NCAA II	10-3
	1994	502	Washington & Jefferson	NCAA III	11-2
	1991	502	St. John's (Minn.)	NCAA III	11-1

### ❖ Most Combined Points

In last week's *Lighting-up the Scoreboard* it was reported that the Faulkner-Union Game was the 4<sup>th</sup> highest combined total of all-time.

Richard Topp, a Score Researcher has shed a different light on this type of game.

1. Georgia Tech 222-0 Cumberland, 1916
2. King 206-0 Lenior, 1922
3. St. Viator 205-0, Lane Tech HS, 1916

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| 4. Roanoke 187-0, Randolph-Macon, 1922 |
| 5. Oklahoma 179-0, Kingfisher, 1917    |

He also has included the most combined points when both teams scored.

1. 2011 184 Faulkner 95, Union (Ky.) 89
2. 1920 164 James Millikin 158, Indiana Normal 6
3. 2008 161 Abilene Christian 93, West Texas A & M 68
4. 1913 154 Spearfish Normal 147, Rapid City Business College 7
5. 2007 149 Chadron State 76, Abilene Christian 73

### ▪ **Lowest Ranked teams scoring 500+ Points**

When you think of teams scoring 500 or more points in a season; you naturally think a team would be ranked among the elite in its respective division—and rightfully so.

However, 15 of the lowest ranked teams (11-25) were ranked 20<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> in the final respective rankings that the teams played in.

Points	Team	Season	Ranking	Source
618	BYU	2001	25	USA TODAY
538	Tulsa	2010	24	AP
656	Hawaii	2006	24	USA TODAY
510	Fresno State	1992	24	AP
655	Pittsburg State	2005	23	D2/AFCA
527	West Chester State (Penn)	2004	23	D2/AFCA
532	Texas Tech	2007	22	AP
524	BYU	1990	22	AP
523	BYU	1989	22	AP
512	Marshall	2001	21	USA TODAY
510	Bentley	2003	21	D2/AFCA
502	Franklin	2010	21	AFCA
514	San Diego	2006	20	1AA/Sports Network
511	Wyoming	1988	20	USA TODAY
503	Minnesota	2003	20	USA TODAY

## ➤ History of Scoring Values

<b>Progression of Scoring Values</b>	
1883	TD=2; FG=5; XP=4; S= -1 (Opponents)
1883-1896	TD=4; FG=5; XP=2; S= -2
1897-1903	TD=5; FG=5; XP=1; S= -2
1904-1908	TD=5, FG=4, XP=1, S= -2
1909-1911	TD=5, FG=3, XP=1, S= -2
1912-1957	TD=6, FG=3, XP=1, S= -2
1958-present	TD=6, FG=3, XP=1 or 2, S= -2
1988-present	TD=6, FG=3, XP=1 or 2, S= -2
	Defensive Extra point =2

### ❖ No 500+ Teams?

At least one team since the 1979 season has surpassed the 500+ Point Plateau; so it would be hard to phantom a year when there were no such teams—or for the matter, much less, an entire decade!!!!

The longest stretch, in terms of consecutive seasons was 17. From 1927-43! Think about it: this would include the entire decade of the 1930's; after teams would complete the latter half of the “*Roaring Twenties...The Golden Era of Sports*” and well into the 1940s.

In exclusively from the 1883 season through 1978, a total number of seasons equals 65 when one failed to produce a 500+ scoring team. The scoring ranges from a high of 498 by 1922 King College; to a low of 278 Vanderbilt in 1906—the year that the forward pass was made legal.

#### The Top 10 shows:

King	1922	6-2	498
Boise State	1974	10-2	497
Southern California	1929	10-2	492
San Diego State	1969	11-0	492
Yale	1883	8-0	485

Yale	1894	16-0	485
Pennsylvania	1893	12-3	484
Waynesburg	1967	8-1	483
Pennsylvania	1895	14-0	480
Washington	1925	10-1-1	480
Nevada	1948	9-2	480

✓ **Playoff Games...Lighting-up the Scoreboard: 50+Points**

This past weekend, NCAA II and III and the NAIA began their annual playoffs in search for a National Champion.

**Six teams scored over 50 points in opening round action**

North					
NCAA II	Greenville	63*	Albany State (Ga.)	14	
NCAA	Delaware				
III	Valley	62+	Norwich	10	
NCAA					
III	North Central	59	Dubuque	13	
NCAA II	Washburn	52	Abilene Christian	49	
NCAA					
III	Centre	51	Hampden-Sydney	41	
NAIA	St. Xavier (Ill.)	51	Bethel (Minn.)	13	

\*7th to score 63 points in the opening round

+5th team to score 62 points in the opening round

118 Accomplishments of teams scoring at least 50 points in the opening round

**Top 10 First Round Scores**

1992	NCAA 1AA	Northeastern Louisiana	78	Alcorn St.	27
1991	NCAA III	St. John's (Minn.)	75	Coe	2
1999	NCAA 1AA	Georgia Southern	72	Northern Arizona	29
2004	NAIA	Sioux Falls	72	Tabor	11
1990	NCAA II	Mississippi College	70	Wofford	19
2009	NCAA III	Wisconsin-Whitewater	70	Lakeland	7
1984	NCAA 1AA	Louisiana Tech	66	Mississippi Valley St.	19
2007	NCAA II	Catawba	66	Albany St.	35
2009	NCAA III	Delaware Valley	66	Susquehanna	7
2003	NCAA II	Grand Valley St.	65	Bentley	36

2008	NAIA	Lindenwood (Mo.)	65	Lambuth	48
2008	NAIA	Morningside	65	Baker	27

**Revised list of teams that allowed 500+ in 2011**

524	Western Connecticut State	NCAA III	2011	0-10-0	149
524	Culver- Stockton	NAIA	2011	1-10-0	197
562	Bethel (Kan.)	NAIA	2011	1-10-0	147
595	Lincoln (Mo.)	NCAA II	2011	1-10-0	306
568	Tiffin	NCAA II	2011	0-11-0	166
551	Concordia (Mich.)	NAIA	2011	0-11-0	47
526	Faulkner	NAIA	2011	0-11-0	435
503	Haskell	NAIA	2011	0-11-0	73