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Jewell sports program has high NAIA marks

William Jewell captured 16th in the national NAIA men's all-sports rankings, according to statistics released last week by the NAIA.

The Cardinals were awarded 55 points in the NAIA's point system, which is based on post-season results in district, area and national competition. Jewell finished second

in the nation in Division II football, made the eight-team national World Series in baseball and qualified for the District 16 playoffs in basketball.

In football, Jewell reached the finals, losing to Linfield, Ore. The Cardinals lost their first two World Series games and were eliminated. In basketball, Jewell lost to Drury in the

first round of the District meet.

Simon Fraser of British Columbia won the mythical men's title with 210 points. William Jewell was the only Missouri men's team listed in the rankings, which include the top 50 schools.

The women's division champion was Wisconsin-Eau Claire with 131 points. Ranked Missouri women's teams were UMKC, tied for 32nd with 30 points; William Woods, tied for 36th with 28; and Missouri Western, tied for 41st with 25.

According to the NAIA, the All-Sports program, initiated in 1969, is designed to measure success of an institution's total athletic program.