

# Bethany, Jewell Sweat Ratings

One week before the final rankings are to be announced, undefeated Bethany and William Jewell are holding the most favorable positions in the NAIA Division II football poll.

The rankings will be used to determine the eight teams for the playoffs, which start Nov. 17 at four on-campus sites.

Even if Bethany and William Jewell should lose in the meantime, they could still draw consideration for playoff spots. The selection committee will pick the eight teams after the final rankings Nov. 7.

The NAIA said the top-ranked team from each of the four geographical areas from among the top 12 will be selected to fill a quarterfinal game berth. The next four highest ranked

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teams, regardless of geographic area, not already selected from among the top 12 will also be selected.

Division II games on Nov. 10 (after the final poll) also will be considered under the following conditions: (a) A team in the top 12 in the Nov. 7 rating plays on Nov. 10 and loses or ties this game. (b) This loss or tie could create an open berth for a quarterfinal game.

In the event both conditions A and B occur, then a special rating will be conducted on Sunday morning, Nov. 11. Thus the playoff field could be partly selected next week and the remainder after games of Nov. 10.

Both Bethany of Lindsborg, Kan., and William Jewell of Liberty complete their seasons Nov. 10.

Friends University of Wichita and Missouri Valley College of Marshall, Mo., remained in the Division II top 20. Friends moved from No. 18 to No. 15 while Missouri Valley dropped from No. 13 to No. 19. Tabor of Hillsboro, Kan., slipped out of the top 20. Tabor was ranked No. 16 last week before a 14-12 loss to Peru State of Nebraska.

Missouri Western managed to stay in the NAIA Division I top 20 despite suffering a second straight defeat. The St. Joseph school, with a 6-2 record, fell from a tie for No. 12 to No. 19. No other area schools made the Division I rankings.