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Amherst (Mass.) Leads First Set of Division III U.S. Sports Academy Directors' Cup Standings

Cleveland, Ohio – Amherst (Mass.) is the leader after the first fall U.S. Sports Academy Directors' Cup standings. The Lord Jeffs have posted 227 points after the finish of four fall championships.

Amherst captured the women's cross country national title, finished fifth overall in women's volleyball and placed 12th in men's cross country.

Calvin (Mich.) trails the Lord Jeffs by a mere 17 points after recording a pair of fourth place finishes (men's and women's cross country) and a 17th place finish in women's volleyball. The Knights have 210 total points.

Cortland State (N.Y.) is currently third with 188 points. The Red Dragons tallied a pair of top-10 finishes in men's cross country (3rd) and women's field hockey (9th) and were also 17th in women's volleyball.

Washington (Mo.) is currently fourth with 185 total points after capturing the 2007 women's volleyball title. The Bears also finished third in women's cross country.

Rounding out the top-five is Haverford (Penn.) with 176 points. The Fords finished second in men's cross country, ninth in women's volleyball and 26th overall in women's cross country.

Four of the seven fall NCAA championships have been completed with the following institutions capturing titles: women's cross country (Amherst), men's cross country (New York), women's field hockey (Bowdoin, Me.) and women's volleyball (Washington, Mo.).

The Sports Academy Directors' Cup was developed as a joint effort between the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) and *USA Today*. The United States Sports Academy, based in Daphne, Alabama, is the program sponsor. Points are awarded based on each institution's finish in up to 18 sports -- nine women's and nine men's.

The next Division III standings will be released Thursday, December 6.

Please note, standings published midseason are unofficial. Official standings will be published upon the completion of the spring season. Complete standings and the scoring structure can be found on NACDA's Web site at www.nacda.com.

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**2006-07 U.S. Sports Academy Directors' Cup
Division III Fall Standings
As of 11/22/07**

Rank	Institution	Total	W. CC		M. CC		W. FH		W. VB	
			PI	Pts	PI.	Pts.	PI.	Pts.	PI.	Pts.
1	Amherst (Mass.)	227	1	100	12	54	0	0	5	73
2	Calvin (Mich.)	210	4	80	4	80	0	0	17	50
3	Cortland State (N.Y.)	188	0	0	3	85	9	53	17	50
4	Washington (Mo.)	185	3	85	0	0	0	0	1	100
5	Haverford (Penn.)	176	26	22	2	90	0	0	9	64
6	Williams (Mass.)	158	14	48	10	60	0	0	17	50
7	Bowdoin (Me.)	154	27	20	20	34	1	100	0	0
8	Juniata (Penn.)	153	0	0	0	0	5	70	3	83
9	Wisconsin La Crosse	138	18	38	5	75	0	0	33	25
10	Wisconsin Platteville	136	12	54	11	57	0	0	33	25
11	Middlebury (Vt.)	135	15	45	0	0	2	90	0	0
12	Luther (Iowa)	126	10	60	8	66	0	0	0	0
13	Emory (Ga.)	123	17	40	32	10	0	0	5	73
14	New Jersey	118	22	30	28	18	5	70	0	0
15	Nebraska Wesleyan	115	16	42	14	48	0	0	33	25
16	Salisbury (Md.)	108	0	0	0	0	3	83	33	25
17	Geneseo State (N.Y.)	105	5	75	22	30	0	0	0	0
18	Ohio Northern	104	0	0	17	40	0	0	9	64
19	Christopher Newport (Va.)	103	0	0	0	0	9	53	17	50
19	Skidmore (N.Y.)	103	0	0	0	0	9	53	17	50
21	New York	100	0	0	1	100	0	0	0	0
21	Puget Sound (Wash.)	100	23	27	0	0	0	0	5	73
21	Willamette (Ore.)	100	9	63	18	37	0	0	0	0
24	Trinity (Tex.)	96	21	32	0	0	0	0	9	64
25	Wisconsin Eau Claire	91	8	66	0	0	0	0	33	25
26	Plattsburgh State (N.Y.)	90	2	90	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	Wisconsin Whitewater	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	90
28	St. Thomas (Minn.)	88	25	24	0	0	0	0	9	64
29	Lebanon Valley (Penn.)	83	0	0	0	0	3	83	0	0
29	Wittenberg (Ohio)	83	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	83
31	Allegheny (Penn.)	79	32	10	7	69	0	0	0	0
32	Dickinson (Penn.)	77	13	51	24	26	0	0	0	0
32	Elizabethtown (Penn.)	77	23	27	0	0	0	0	17	50
34	Tufts (Mass.)	75	0	0	26	22	9	53	0	0
35	Stevens Tech (N.J.)	73	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	73
36	Case Western Reserve (Ohio)	72	6	72	0	0	0	0	0	0
36	Wisconsin Stevens Point	72	0	0	6	72	0	0	0	0
38	Heidelberg (Ohio)	70	0	0	27	20	0	0	17	50
38	Rowan (N.J.)	70	0	0	0	0	5	70	0	0
38	Springfield (Mass.)	70	0	0	0	0	5	70	0	0
41	Colorado College	69	31	12	21	32	0	0	33	25
41	De Pauw (Ind.)	69	7	69	0	0	0	0	0	0

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43	Carthage (Wis.)	64	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	64
43	La Verne (Cal.)	64	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	64
43	Massachusetts Inst. of Tech.	64	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	64
43	Nazareth (N.Y.)	64	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	64
47	Carnegie Mellon (Penn.)	63	0	0	9	63	0	0	0	0
48	Wartburg (Iowa)	60	19	36	25	24	0	0	0	0
49	Colby (Me.)	57	11	57	0	0	0	0	0	0
50	Carleton (Minn.)	53	0	0	23	28	0	0	33	25
50	Hobart/William Smith (N.Y.)	53	0	0	0	0	9	53	0	0
50	Lynchburg (Va.)	53	0	0	0	0	9	53	0	0
50	Messiah (Penn.)	53	0	0	0	0	9	53	0	0
50	Ursinus (Penn.)	53	0	0	0	0	9	53	0	0
55	St. John's (Minn.)	51	0	0	13	51	0	0	0	0
56	Austin (Tex.)	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	50
56	Bethel (Minn.)	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	50
56	Cal State East Bay	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	50
56	Central (Iowa)	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	50
56	Hiram (Ohio)	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	50
56	Pacific Lutheran (Wash.)	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	50
56	Southwestern (Tex.)	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	50
56	Wellesley (Mass.)	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	50
56	Wisconsin Oshkosh	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	50
65	Augustana (Ill.)	45	0	0	15	45	0	0	0	0
66	Kenyon (Ohio)	43	28	18	0	0	17	25	0	0
67	North Central (Ill.)	42	0	0	16	42	0	0	0	0
68	Johns Hopkins (Md.)	41	29	16	0	0	17	25	0	0
69	Occidental (Cal.)	37	0	0	18	37	0	0	0	0
70	Ithaca (N.Y.)	34	20	34	0	0	0	0	0	0
71	Alvernia (Penn.)	25	0	0	0	0	17	25	0	0
71	Bridgewater State (Mass.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Carroll (Wis.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Centre (Ky.)	25	0	0	0	0	17	25	0	0
71	Concordia Moorhead (Minn.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	DeSales (Penn.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Eastern Connecticut State	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Endicott (Mass.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Frostburg State (Md.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Hanover (Ind.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Hunter (N.Y.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Keene State (N.H.)	25	0	0	0	0	17	25	0	0
71	King's (Penn.)	25	0	0	0	0	17	25	0	0
71	Maine-Farmington	25	0	0	0	0	17	25	0	0

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71	Maritime (N.Y.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Montclair State (N.J.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Neumann (Penn.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	New England (N.H.)	25	0	0	0	0	17	25	0	0
71	Philadelphia Biblical (Penn.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Piedmont (Ga.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Rivier (N.H.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Rochester Institute (N.Y.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Russell Sage (N.Y.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	St. Benedict (Minn.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Texas Lutheran	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Washington & Lee (Va.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Webster (Mo.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
71	Westminster (Penn.)	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	25
99	Trinity (Conn.)	16	0	0	29	16	0	0	0	0
100	Rhodes (Tenn.)	14	0	0	30	14	0	0	0	0
100	St. Olaf (Minn.)	14	30	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
102	Anderson (Ind.)	12	0	0	31	12	0	0	0	0