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North Central Conference Cup

North Dakota Continues In Lead For North Central Conference Cup

North Dakota opened up its lead in the standings for the North Central Conference Cup through the winter season. The Sioux were leading by two points at the end of fall season and now enjoy a 5 1/2-point cushion after the winter season. Minnesota State moved from fourth place to second place while South Dakota left from sixth place to third place in the latest tally.

North Dakota leads the women's all-sports trophy standings with 38.5 points by capturing the championships in basketball and swimming & diving while finishing third in indoor track & field. Nebraska-Omaha, the women's leader after the fall season, slipped to second place, only two points behind the Sioux. The Mavericks won the indoor track & field title, finished second in swimming & diving and seventh in basketball. Third through fifth positions on the women's side are separated by three points with South Dakota at 28.5, Augustana at 27.5 and Minnesota State at 26.5.

Minnesota State won the wrestling title, tied for the basketball title, finished second in indoor track & field and finished third in swimming & diving on the men's side to claim a 5 1/2-point lead for the men's all-sports trophy. South Dakota moved from fifth to second in the men's tally on the strength of the indoor track & field title, tying for the basketball title and finishing fourth in the swimming & diving championship. North Dakota is only one point behind South Dakota after winning the swimming & diving title.

This season marks the fourth time that The North Central Conference Cup is being awarded. The recipient of the Cup is determined by adding together the points received in the Men's and Women's All-Sports Trophy standings. Complete standings for the Men's and Women's All-Sports Trophy can be found on page two of this release.

Here are the 2006-07 North Central Conference Cup standings through the winter season:

	<i>Fall</i>		<i>Winter</i>		<i>Spring</i>		Total
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	
North Dakota	14.5	18.5	11.0	20.0	0	0	64.0
Minnesota State	12.5	14.5	19.5	12.0	0	0	58.5
South Dakota	11.0	13.5	15.5	15.0	0	0	55.0
Nebraska-Omaha	8.5	21.5	5.0	15.0	0	0	50.0
Augustana	12.5	18.5	5.0	9.0	0	0	45.0
Minnesota Duluth	11.0	14.5	8.0	5.5	0	0	38.5
St. Cloud State	3.0	4.5	13.0	9.5	0	0	30.0

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2006-07 North Central Conference Women's All-Sports Trophy Standings Through Winter Season

	SO	CC	GO	VB	BB	SW	IT	SB	TN	OT	Total
North Dakota	4	1	3	T4	1	1	3	0	0	0	
	4	7	4	3.5	7	8	5	0	0	0	38.5
Nebraska-Omaha	1	5	1	T2	7	2	1	0	0	0	
	7	3	6	5.5	1	7	7	0	0	0	36.5
South Dakota	3	3	5	T6	3	3	4	0	0	0	
	5	5	2	1.5	5	6	4	0	0	0	28.5
Augustana	6	2	2	T2	2	NE	5	0	0	0	
	2	6	5	5.5	6	0	3	0	0	0	27.5
Minnesota State	2	6	4	T4	6	5	2	0	0	0	
	6	2	3	3.5	2	4	6	0	0	0	26.5
Minnesota Duluth	5	4	NE	1	T4	NE	6	0	0	0	
	3	4	0	7	3.5	0	2	0	0	0	19.5
St. Cloud State	7	7	6	T6	T4	4	7	0	0	0	
	1	1	1	1.5	3.5	5	1	0	0	0	14.0

2006-07 Final North Central Conference Men's All-Sports Trophy Standings Through Winter Season

	FB	CC	GO	BB	SW	IT	WR	BS	TN	OT	Total
Minnesota State	8	1	T1	T1	3	2	1	0	0	0	
	2	6	4.5	6.5	4	5	4	0	0	0	32.0
South Dakota	3	5	4	T1	4	1	NE	0	0	0	
	7	2	2	6.5	3	6	0	0	0	0	26.5
North Dakota	T1	4	3	T5	1	4	NE	0	0	0	
	8.5	3	3	2	6	3	0	0	0	0	25.5
Minnesota Duluth	4	2	NE	4	NE	3	NE	0	0	0	
	6	5	0	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	19.0
Augustana	T5	3	T1	T5	NE	6	3	0	0	0	
	4	4	4.5	2	0	1	2	0	0	0	17.5
St. Cloud State	9	6	5	3	2	5	4	0	0	0	
	1	1	1	5	5	2	1	0	0	0	16.0
Nebraska-Omaha	T1	NE	NE	T5	NE	NE	2	0	0	0	
	8.5	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	13.5

Points are awarded on a basis where the highest points possible is determined by the number of teams in the sport (i.e. if 7 teams are in the championship then 7 is awarded for first, 6 for second, etc.; if 5 teams are entered it would be 5 for first, 4 for second, etc.)

Note: The following points were also awarded to NCC affiliate members: **Central Washington:** Football, T5th, 4 pts.; **Colorado Mines:** Men's Swimming, 5th, 2 pts; Women's Swimming, 7th, 2 pts.; **Metro State:** Men's Swimming, 6th, 1 pt., Women's Swimming, 8th, 1 pt.; **Minnesota State Moorhead:** Women's Swimming, 6th, 3 pts.; **Western Washington:** Football, T5th, 4 pts.

Sport Abbreviations: FB-Football; CC-Cross Country; GO-Golf; VB-Volleyball; BB-Basketball; SW-Swimming; IT-Indoor Track; WR-Wrestling; BS-Baseball; SB-Softball; TN-Tennis; OT-Outdoor Track; NE - No Entry.

Women's All-Sports Honor Roll: 1982-83 South Dakota State, 1983-84 Minnesota State, Mankato, 1984-85 Minnesota State, Mankato, 1985-86 Minnesota State, Mankato, 1986-87 Minnesota State, Mankato, 1987-88 North Dakota State, 1988-89 Minnesota State, Mankato, 1989-90 North Dakota State, 1990-91 MSU, Mankato/North Dakota St., 1991-92 St. Cloud State, 1992-93 North Dakota, 1993-94 South Dakota State, 1994-95 South Dakota State, 1995-96 Minnesota State, Mankato, 1996-97 St. Cloud State/South Dakota State, 1997-98 Northern Colorado, 1998-99 North Dakota State, 1999-00 North Dakota State, 2000-01 North Dakota, 2001-02 North Dakota, 2002-03 Nebraska-Omaha, 2003-04 North Dakota, 2004-05 Nebraska-Omaha; 2005-06 Nebraska-Omaha.

Men's All-Sports Honor Roll: 1970-71 North Dakota St., 1971-72 Northern Iowa, 1972-73 Northern Iowa, 1973-74 Northern Iowa, 1974-75 Northern Iowa, 1975-76 Minnesota St., Mankato/South Dakota St., 1976-77 Northern Iowa, 1977-78 Northern Iowa, 1978-79 South Dakota St., 1979-80 South Dakota St., 1980-81 South Dakota St., 1981-82 North Dakota St., 1982-83 North Dakota St., 1983-84 North Dakota St., 1984-85 North Dakota St., 1985-86 Minnesota St., Mankato, 1986-87 Minnesota St., Mankato, 1987-88 Minnesota St., Mankato, 1988-89 North Dakota St., 1989-90 North Dakota St., 1990-91 North Dakota, 1991-92 South Dakota St., 1992-93 Minnesota St., Mankato, 1993-94 Minnesota St., Mankato, 1994-95 Minnesota St., Mankato, 1995-96 South Dakota St., 1996-97 South Dakota St., 1997-98 St. Cloud St., 1998-99 Minnesota State, Mankato, 1999-2000 South Dakota State, 2000-01 South Dakota State, 2001-02 South Dakota St., 2002-03 South Dakota State, 2003-04 North Dakota State, 2004-05 Minnesota State, Mankato; 2005-06 Minnesota State, Mankato.

NCC Cup Honor Roll: 2003-04 North Dakota State; 2004-05 Minnesota State, Mankato; 2005-06 Minnesota State, Mankato/North Dakota.