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2008-09 NSIC WRESTLING PRE-SEASON COACHES' POLL

1. Minnesota State (4).....55
2. MSU Moorhead (1)42
3. Upper Iowa (3)41
4. St. Cloud State (1)39
5. Augustana (1)32
6. Northern State.....23
7. Southwest Minnesota State.....6
8. University of Mary2

Points were assigned from the top 5 individuals in each of the ten weight classes using the following point system:
1st = 10, 2nd = 7, 3rd = 4, 4th = 2, 5th = 1.

Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Wrestling Standings

2007-08 Final Standings

	-----NSIC Matches-----						-----All Matches-----					
	W	L	Win %	MP	PF	PA	W	L	Win %	MP	PF	PA
Upper Iowa*	4	0	1.00	4	129	45	8	5	.615	13	310	233
Northern State	3	1	.750	4	113	46	9	7	.562	16	362	270
Minnesota State Moorhead	2	2	.500	4	107	56	12	9	.571	21	447	352
Mary	1	3	.250	4	52	127	1	9	.100	10	105	355
Southwest Minnesota State	0	4	.000	4	23	150	0	11	.000	11	44	449
Minnesota State	2	1	.667	3	63	47	19	2	.886	22	678	248
St. Cloud State	1	2	.333	3	55	60	12	2	.857	14	411	147
Augustana	0	3	.000	3	21	106	7	7	.500	14	309	283

* NSIC Champions

NSIC WRESTLERS TO WATCH IN 2008-09

AUGUSTANA - Ty Copsey (197 lbs, So., Glenwood, Iowa) placed first at the NCAA North Regional at 197 pounds last season to qualify for Nationals. At Nationals Copsey finished in fourth place to earn All-American honors, one of two last year for the Vikings. He finished the season with a 31-7 overall record and was named the North Central Conference Freshman of the Year. He is ranked atop all the NSIC wrestlers at 197 pounds in the individual preseason rankings.

UNIVERSITY OF MARY - Keith McCleary (285, Sr. Napoleon, ND) returns to the mat after a three-year hiatus. As a freshman, McCleary earned All-American honors after finishing seventh at the NAIA national tournament in 2005. When U-Mary began its move to NCAA Division II, McCleary concentrated on football. His career culminated last season when he earned First Team All-NSIC honors in 2007 as a nose guard and earned a spot in the Cactus Bowl all-star game. His brother Kevin also wrestles for the Marauders. Keith will be eligible to wrestle beginning in January.

MINNESOTA STATE - Brady Wilson (285 lbs, Jr., Faribault, Minn. / Faribault HS) enters this season a two-time All-American and two time NCAA National Qualifier. He holds a 77-16 career record at MSU including a 36-6 mark last season where he finished fourth in the nation. The year prior Wilson was a fifth place finisher at nationals. He has been named his conference's Wrestler of the Week multiple times and is the NSIC topped ranked heavyweight in the 2008-09 preseason individual rankings.

MSU MOORHEAD - Tyler Tubbs (165 lbs, Sr., Chokio, Minn. / Chokio-Alberta HS) was the lone Dragon All-American in 2007—08 as she placed seventh at Nationals. He finished with a 23-6 record with a third place at the NCAA North Regionals. He was a first-team NWCA All-Academic selection the past two years and is the top ranked NSIC wrestler at 174 lbs in the preseason rankings.

NORTHERN STATE - David Schiley (141 lbs, Jr., Webster, S.D. / Webster HS) is one of the headliners on a 2008-2009 Wolves squad that returns nine starters from a year ago. After a freshman season that saw him finish with less than a .500 record, Schiley exploded to a 21-11 overall record, including a 13-3 tally during dual meets. He put together a string of seven consecutive wins during last season. He finished fifth at the Northern Regional in a very strong 141 pound weight class, and looks to add to the successful foundation he built in 2007-2008. Schiley ranks fourth in the NSIC at 141 in the preseason individual rankings.

SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA STATE - Tyler Johnson (184 lbs, Sr., Harrisburg, S.D. / Harrisburg HS) enters his senior season with the Southwest Minnesota State wrestling team as the program's lone returning national qualifier. Finishing his 2007-08 campaign with a 31-19 record at 184 pounds, Johnson ranks 12th at SMSU in wins in a single season. After losing in the first round of last year's NCAA North Regional, Johnson rattled off three consecutive wins to finish third and qualify for the NCAA championships. He also placed in five of the six open meets he wrestled in last season. Johnson has a career record of 69-51. He ranks third at 184 pounds in the NSIC preseason individual rankings.

ST. CLOUD STATE - Brad Padgett (184 lbs, Sr., Buckley, Wash. / White River HS / Highline CC) is one of two returning All-Americans for SCSU, as the senior finished in fourth at the NCAA Division II Championships after winning the North Central Region Tournament in 2008. He emerged as the starter at 184 lbs., going 35-8 overall with an 11-3 dual record and three falls. His 35 wins were a team-best and his 11 dual victories were tied for second on the squad. In the tournament portion of the schedule, Padgett won the Dragon Open, took second at the Cobber Open and took third place at Husky Open and Midwest Classic. Padgett is the topped ranked wrestler at 184 pounds in the NSIC preseason individual rankings.

Upper Iowa - Travis Eggers (157 lbs, Jr., Monona, Iowa) was named the 2007-08 NSIC Wrestler of the Year as voted upon by the league coaches. Eggers finished the season with 30 wins in forty matches and a fourth place finish at the NCAA Division II Wrestling Championships, gaining him All-American status. The red-shirt sophomore was the NSIC's highest place winner at the National Tournament. Eggers took second at the NCAA North Regional to earn NSIC All-Conference honors and was twice-named NSIC Wrestler of the Week last season. Travis is going to start the season at 165 lbs, he will certify at 157 lbs, and see how the jump in weight class affects his style. He is the top ranked wrestler in the NSIC at 157 in the individual preseason rankings.

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2008-09 NSIC WRESTLING PRE-SEASON INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

125 lbs

1 Tyler Mumbulo, Sr, Upper Iowa	2x AA, 3x NQ, 3x Rgional Finalist
2 Joe Werner, Sr, MSU Moorhead	07-08 - 26-11, 6th North Region
3 Corbin Surat, Jr, Northern State	07-08 - 12-10, beat Meger AC
4 Cody Adams, RFr, Minnesota State	07-08 - 3rd at NWCA Open
5 Al Meger, So, Augustana	07-08 - 13-12
6 Jordan Rozeboom, So, SMSU	Transfer - Michigan State U.
7 Aaron Wilcox, So, St. Cloud State	07-08 - 17-3, 4th Nichols Open
8 Dan Sabin, Fr, U-Mary	3rd Michigan State Tourn.

133

1 John Putman, Sr, Minnesota State	08 - AA, Region Champion
2 Josh Williams, Sr, St. Cloud State	08 - National Qual., Region R-Up
3 Jason Jeremiason, So, Augustana	08 - National Qual., 3rd Region
4 Kelly Janke, Sr, MSU Moorhead	07 - National Qual.
5 Trevor Franklin, RFr, Upper Iowa	07-08 - 15-1 as Red-Shirt Fr.
6 Michal Barrie, Sr, SMSU	07 - 5th Region
7 Rick Schiley, Jr, Northern State	07-08 - 9-16
8 Cody Schmidt, Jr, U-Mary	N/A

141

1 Travis Elg, Jr, Minnesota State	08 - AA, 2x Region Champion
2 Gabe Suarez, So, St. Cloud State	08 - National Qual., Region R-Up
3 Jay Sherer, So, Augustana	07-08 - National Qual., 4th Region
4 Dave Schiley, Jr, Northern State	07-08 - 23-9, 5th Region
5 Jacob Pedersen, Sr, Upper Iowa	07-08 - 15-10, 2x 5th Region
6 Brandan Schunk, Jr, SMSU	2x NJCAA AA
7 Landon DellaSilva, Fr, U-Mary	3rd Montana State
8 Will Quinn, Fr, MSU Moorhead	N/A

149 lbs

1 Tommy Abbott, So, Minnesota State	08 - AA, Region Runner-Up
2 Mike Long, Sr, Augustana	08 - AA, 4th Region
3 Derek Bomstad, So, MSU Moorhead	07-08 - 25-8, OW National Duals
4 Chad Kubasch, So, St. Cloud State	07-08 - 20-12, 5th Region
5 Ryan Larsen, So, Northern State	07-08 - 16-11
6 Derek Stolarzyk, Jr, Upper Iowa	07-08 - 8-9, MN HS State Placer
7 Shawn Sneva, Jr, U-Mary	N/A
8 Tanner Skillings, RFr, SMSU	07-08 - Med. Redshirt

157 lbs

1 Travis Eggers, Jr, Upper Iowa	08 - AA, Region Runner-Up
2 John Sundgren, So, St. Cloud State	08 - AA, 3rd Region
3 Tallen Wald, So, MSU Moorhead	08 - 5th Region
4 Darren Olsen, Jr, Minnesota State	08 - NJCAA AA
5 Luke Giese, Jr, SMSU	2x 5th Region
6 Taylor Nagel, RFr, U-Mary	Trans. NDSU, 2x MT State Champ
7 Dustin Bonn, Jr, Northern State	07-08 - 13-15
8 Brandon Kruger, Sr, Augustana	07-08 - 3-6

165

1 Mitch Norton, Jr, Upper Iowa	2x National Qual
2 Phil Downs, Jr, Northern State	07-08 - 12-5, 5th Region
3 Jarret Hall, Jr, MSU Moorhead	2x NJCAA AA (3rd, 3rd)
4 Tad Merritt, RFr, St. Cloud State	07-08 - 25-3, Placed top 3 every Open
5 Gavin Nelson, So, Augustana	07-08 - 18-15
6 Tel Todd, RFr, Minnesota State	Trans. Old Dominion, two Brute AA
7 Tony Klosterboer, RFr, SMSU	07-08 - 4th Jamestown Open
8 Nick Lopez-Prelle, So, U-Mary	2nd SD State 2007

174

1 Tyler Tubbs, Sr, MSU Moorhead	07-08, 23-6, AA, Region R-Up
2 Tim Matheson, Sr, Minnesota State	2x National Qual., 3rd 08 Region
3 Derek Skala, So, St. Cloud State	07-08 - 30-11, National Qual.
4 Casey Mouw, So, Augustana	07-08 - 15-15
5 Donnie Bowden, So, Northern State	07-08 - 9-16
6 Lance Piatz, So, U-Mary	07-08 - Letterwinner
7 Mitchell Schultz, Fr, Upper Iowa	08 - IA HS State Placer
8 Nick Wulf, RFr, SMSU	07 - SD HS State Placer

184

1 Brad Padgett, Sr, St. Cloud State	07-08 - 35-8, AA, Region Champion
2 Cale Cornermann, Jr, Northern State	07-08 - 12-10, Nat Qual., Region R-Up
3 Tyler Johnson, Sr, SMSU	07-08 - National Qual.
4 Ben Becker, Jr, Minnesota State	Beat Gehling last season in dual
5 Tony Gehling, Sr, Upper Iowa	07-08 - 6th Region, Placed 3x Region
6 Nick Henning, Fr, Augustana	07-08 - 4-1, Medical Year
7 Dustin Nagel, Sr, MSU Moorhead	07-08 - 10-16
8 Kurt Wiedrich, Jr, U-Mary	07-08 - Letterwinner

197

1 Ty Copsey, So, Augustana	07-08 - 31-7, AA, Region Champion
2 Matt Norton, Sr, Upper Iowa	07-08 - National Qual., Region R-Up
3 Matt Nelson, Sr, MSU Moorhead	07-08 - 26-14
4 Tom Block, Sr, Minnesota State	07-08 - Starter
5 Brent Fosheim, So, Northern State	2x SD HS State Champion
6 Erik Rogness, So, St. Cloud State	07-08 - 8-10
7 Dusty Vliem, Jr, U-Mary	07-08 - Starter
8 Ethan Hoppe, Fr, SMSU	N/A

285

1 Brady Wilson, Jr, Minnesota State	2x AA, 2x North Region Champion
2 Tim Johnson, Jr, MSU Moorhead	07-08 - 13-2 - NJCAA AA
3 Lance Peters, So, Augustana	07-08 - 17-18, 5th Region
4 Keith McCleary, Sr, U-Mary	NAIA AA
5 Arron Cramer, RFr, Upper Iowa	.500 as RS, 2x IA HS Placer
6 Jared Little, Jr, Northern State	07-08 - 6-18
7 Carter Ash, Fr, SMSU	2x MN HS State Placer
8 Logan Atkins, RFr, St. Cloud State	07-08 - 1-4

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NSIC Wrestler of the Year



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157, R-So.
Monona, Iowa
MFL-MarMac HS
Upper Iowa

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NSIC Rookie of the Year



Derek Bomstad
141, Fr.
Hutchinson, Minn.
Hutchinson HS
MSU Moorhead

Derek Bomstad was named the NSIC Rookie of the Year after finishing his first campaign with a 25-8 record and being voted the DII Outstanding Wrestler at the prestigious NWCA/Cliff Keen National Duals at the University of Northern Iowa. Bomstad went unbeaten in five matches and helped the Dragons to a surprising sixth place finish at the duals. Bomstad was named NSIC Wrestler of the Week twice this season.

NSIC Coach of the Year



Heath Grimm
8th Season
Upper Iowa

Heath Grimm garnered NSIC Coach of the Year honors for the second consecutive season. Grimm led the Peacocks to their second straight NSIC Regular Season Championship and a 14th place finish at the National Tournament.

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Rankings based on 3/4/08 NCAA Division II Wrestling Coaches' Association Poll

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2007-08 NSIC All-Conference Team

Name	Wt.	Yr.	School	Hometown
Tyler Mumbulo	125	Jr.	Upper Iowa	Bainbridge, N.Y.
Jacob Pedersen	133	Jr.	Upper Iowa	Hudson, Iowa
David Schiley	141	So.	Northern State	Webster, S.D.
Monterrious Adams	149	Sr.	Upper Iowa	Bessemer, Ala.
Travis Eggers	157	R-So.	Upper Iowa	Monona, Iowa
Mitch Norton	165	So.	Upper Iowa	Waverly, Iowa
Tyler Tubbs	174	Jr.	MSU Moorhead	Chokio, Minn.
Cale Cornemann	184	So.	Northern State	Yankton, S.D.
Matt Norton	197	Jr.	Upper Iowa	Waverly, Iowa
Dan Goodson	285	Sr.	Upper Iowa	Rochester, Minn.

2007-08 NSIC Wrestler of the Year

Travis Eggers, Upper Iowa (R-So., 157, Monona, Iowa)

2007-08 NSIC Rookie of the Year

Derek Bomstad, MSU Moorhead (Fr. 141, Hutchinson, Minn.)

2007-08 NSIC Coach of the Year

Heath Grimm – Upper Iowa

**NSIC All-Americans
 Top 8 Finisher at Nationals**

Wt 125

Nick Smith (Minnesota State) - 2nd Place
 Tyler Mumbolo (Upper Iowa) - 6th Place
 Chas Welch (Northern State) - 8th Place

Wt 157

Jason Rhoten (Minnesota State) - 1st Place
 Travis Eggers (Upper Iowa) - 4th Place

Wt 165

Andy Pickar (Minnesota State) 1st Place

Wt 174

Tyler Tubbs (MSU Moorhead) - 7th Place

Wt 285

Brady Wilson (Minnesota State) 4th Place
 Jesse Laber (Mary) - 5th Place