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## **Franklin Pierce Unanimous Top Choice in NCBWA Northeast Preseason Poll**

**RINDGE, N.H. (February 4, 2008)** – Franklin Pierce University is the unanimous top choice in the National Collegiate Baseball Writers of America’s (NCBWA) Division II Northeast Regional preseason poll.

Franklin Pierce, the defending Northeast Region and Northeast-10 regular season and tournament champions, received all nine first place votes by the committee. East Coast Conference regular season and tournament champion Adelphi University was picked second with 73 points. Northeast region and NE-10 Tournament runners-up Bryant University is third, followed by the University of Massachusetts Lowell in fourth and Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference champions Caldwell College rounds out the top five. The entire top ten, plus those receiving votes is listed below.

The NCBWA’s Northeast Regional committee for 2008 is Doug Monson, Sports Information Director at Franklin Pierce (coordinator), Ken Johnson, SID at Saint Anselm, John Tagliaferri, SID at Pace, Jennifer Mischke, SID at Molloy, Chuck Sadowski, SID at Bridgeport, Adam Siepiola, Assistant SID at Adelphi, Bob Heller, Assistant AD/SID at University of Sciences in Philadelphia, Matt McLagan, SID at Caldwell and Matt Connors, Assistant SID at Philadelphia.

The NCBWA Division II Northeast Regional poll is in no way affiliated with the NCAA Division II Tournament selection committee rankings.

### **NCBWA Northeast Region Poll (2008 Preseason)**

<b>Rk.</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Pts</b>	<b>2007 Record</b>
1.	Franklin Pierce (9)	90	49-11
2.	Adelphi	73	35-17
3.	Bryant	70	35-24
4.	UMass Lowell	66	33-20
5.	Caldwell	49	25-15
6.	Wilmington	37	29-19
7.	LIU-C.W. Post	26	30-19
8.	Pace	24	30-26
9.	Bridgeport	21	21-14
10.	New Haven	18	28-18

**Receiving Votes:** Dowling (13), Felician (4), Dominican (3), Stonehill (1).

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