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The 2011 FCS football season witnessed a few first-timers: North Dakota State's championship, Norfolk State's post-season appearance, and Sam Houston State's perfect regular season. As these schools achieved their perspective accomplishments, [here are other schools that reached milestones in FCS play last year:](#)

#1 Rushing Offense- Wofford...364 yds per game average
#1 Passing Offense- Eastern Washington...368 yds per game average
#1 Team Offense- Jackson State...490 yds per game average
#1 Scoring Offense- Stony Brook...38 pts per game average
#1 Rushing Defense- Sam Houston State...73 yds per game allowed
#1 Passing Defense- Duquesne...139 yds per game allowed
#1 Total Defense- Texas Southern...245 yds per game allowed
#1 Scoring Defense- North Dakota State...13 pts per game allowed
Fewest Penalties- Citadel...3.09 per game
Toughest Schedule- Lafayette...opposition had 62% winning percentage
#1 Game Attendance- Montana...199,023 total (accumulative)

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Duquesne U., from the Northeast Conference, had the #1 pass defense in 2011

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The [FCS Preseason Top 25 Poll](#) is out! The [SportsNetwork](#) breaks it all down. Guess who tops the poll!

The NCAA recently announced the [2011 Academic Progress Rates](#) for each of its member schools. Every Division I sports team calculates its APR each academic year, based on the eligibility and retention of each scholarship student-athlete. Teams scoring below certain thresholds can face sanctions, such as scholarship losses and restrictions on practice. Rates are based on the past four years' performance. The average four-year APR for football (all Division I) is 948, up two points.

For [FCS schools, the average APR is 946](#). Davidson has the highest APR in FCS football at 995, followed by Brown and Yale at 993. The FCS conference with the highest average APR is Ivy League at 988, followed by the Patriot League at 979.

[Below is a list of each FCS conference, their highest APR member school and score:](#)

Big Sky-	Cal Poly...971
Big South-	Presbyterian...960
Colonial Athletic-	New Hampshire...981
Ivy League-	Brown & Yale...993

Ohio Valley-	Austin Peay State...968
Patriot League-	Lafayette...986
MEAC-	Norfolk State...937
Missouri Valley-	North Dakota State...964
Northeast-	Bryant...976
Pioneer-	Davidson...995
Southern-	Appalachian State...982
Southland-	Central Arkansas...951
SWAC-	Alabama A&M...937



Davidson U. topped all FCS schools in APR scores

[Click here to see all FCS schools and their APR scores](#)

The Underdawg shared the 2012 NFL undrafted free agents in last week's digest and failed to include [Scott Winnewisser from Cal Poly](#). Scott, a 6'5, 301 pound OL, is with the New Orleans Saints.

Trivia Results: A few inquirers came close to last week's trivia answer. There are 21 FCS teams that are ineligible for 2012 post-season play - Hampton, NC A&T, and Texas Southern (3) due to low Academic Progress Rates; the Ivy League (8) and SWAC (10) do not participate in the FCS post-season. Note: Fordham University is ineligible for Patriot League championship due to their offering of scholarships in a non-scholarship conference. They are eligible for an at-large bid into FCS post-season play, however.

Trivia Question: Which 2 FCS teams nailed all their field goal attempts in 2011?

[Enter your trivia answer](#) here. Trivia answer and winner will be announced on the next digest.

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