

# ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY

***ATHLETICS***

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## **FOOTBALL JUMPS ONE SPOT TO NINTH IN LATEST NCAA DIVISION II REGIONAL RANKINGS**

**INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana** – Arkansas Tech Football jumped one spot to ninth in this week's third installment of the NCAA Division II Super Regional Two poll.

The Super Regional rankings, which will be released weekly leading up to the end of the regular season, are used to determine the six teams that advance into the NCAA Division II playoffs out of the NCAA's four super regions.

Tech, who is 5-2 overall and a 3-2 in the Gulf South Conference following its 62-30 homecoming win last Saturday over West Georgia, is one of three GSC schools ranked in this week's third Super Regional Two Poll. Tech's region includes teams from the GSC, the SIAC (Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference) and the SAC (South Atlantic Conference).

Both of Tech's losses are to teams ranked in this week's Super Regional Two poll as North Alabama (8-0 overall, 8-0 D-II) is ranked No. 1 and West Alabama (5-3 overall, 4-2 D-II) is ranked sixth, three spots ahead of Tech.

North Alabama sits atop the Super Regional Two poll for the second consecutive week. Albany State (7-0 overall, 7-0 D-II) out of the SIAC is ranked second and Carson-Newman (6-2 overall, 5-2 D-II) out of the SAC is ranked third. Mars Hill (5-2 overall, 5-1 D-II) from the SAC moves up one spot to No. 4 and UNC-Pembroke (6-1 overall, 5-1 D-II), an NCAA Division II independent, falls one spot to No. 5.

West Alabama is ranked sixth and the Tigers are followed by Fort Valley State (5-3 overall, 4-2 D-II), who is from the SIAC, at No. 7 and they are followed by Morehouse (5-2 overall, 5-2 D-II) from the SIAC at No. 8, Tech is ranked ninth and Wingate (5-2 overall, 5-2 D-II) rounds out this week's poll at No. 10.

The Wonder Boys return to action on Oct. 24, when they travel to Arkadelphia, Ark., to face Henderson State (3-4 overall, 3-2 GSC) in a 3 p.m. game at Carpenter-Haygood Stadium on the HSU campus.

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