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Le Moyne College is Top Pick in Northeast-10 Men's Lacrosse Preseason Poll

South Easton, Mass. – The Dolphins of Le Moyne College are heavy preseason favorites once again to take the Northeast-10 Conference championship according to the 2004 pre-season coaches' poll.

The four-time defending regular season champion and three-time defending tournament champion Dolphins received 120 points overall including 10 first place votes, outdistancing second pick and 2003 tournament runner-up Pace University, which took 108 points and the remaining first place vote. Le Moyne advanced to last year's four-team NCAA tournament.

Bryant College was picked to place third with 99 points, followed by Bentley College (90 points) and Saint Michael's College (71 points) to round out the top five.

Southern New Hampshire University, Saint Anselm College, Merrimack College, Assumption College, Franklin Pierce College and American International College rounded out the preseason poll, respectively.

The season has opened for one team (Saint Anselm) while a number of teams begin action in the coming week.

The six-team Northeast-10 tournament begins May 4th with quarterfinal matches, followed by the NE-10 Final Four May 7-8 at the sight of the regular season champion.

Sponsoring 23 championship sports and 15 full-time members, the Northeast-10 is the second largest NCAA Division II athletic conference in the nation and sponsors the most championships of any Division II conference.

2004 Northeast-10 Men's Lacrosse Preseason Coaches' Poll

Place	Team	Points	2003 Record
1.	Le Moyne (10)	120	14-1
2.	Pace (1)	108	11-3
3.	Bryant	99	12-5
4.	Bentley	90	8-6
5.	Saint Michael's	71	9-5
6.	Southern New Hampshire	58	5-7
7.	Saint Anselm	57	6-8
8.	Merrimack	48	3-9
9.	Assumption	34	4-9
10.	Franklin Pierce	25	2-11
11.	American International	16	0-10

(First place votes in parentheses.)