



About Fort Wayne High School Hockey

- High School Hockey in Fort Wayne is the premier social and competitive hockey event for high school athletes.
- League games on Wednesday nights before a large crowd of students, friends and family, representing a school club team.
- Regular season games begin in early October and run through mid-February.
- Teams play crossover games against other Indiana high school teams. Weekend crossover showcases include:
 - Summit City Classic in Fort Wayne (November)
 - Michiana Crossover Showcase in South Bend (December)
 - Hoosier Crossover Showcase in Fishers/Carmel (January)
 - Teams will schedule additional crossover games throughout the season.
- Memorial Cup playoffs for league championship in late February
- Indiana State High School Hockey Association (ISHSHA) Invitational Tournament in early March for opportunity to win a state high school hockey championship.
- Most games are played in Fort Wayne. Minimal travel and overnight stays within Indiana.
- Each team practices 2 times per week starting in early September.
- Teams may also schedule open practices during the summer months.

Other Benefits of Fort Wayne High School Hockey

- Live video streaming of games
- Local television and newspaper coverage
- Team Indiana 16U or 18U opportunity. “All-State” teams of the best high school players in the state of Indiana compete in a few high level regional showcase tournaments, concluding in April with the America’s Showcase Tournament in St Louis featuring several all-state teams. These showcases are highly scouted by college and junior teams throughout the nation.
- Chase Warner Memorial Scholarship through the Indiana Warbirds
- Academic Scholarship Opportunities for Seniors through ISHSHA
 - Matt Crace Memorial Award
 - Nick Wehring Memorial Award
 - J Howard Guitard Memorial Award
 - Robert Gillikin Award
 - Dr. Jeffrey Watt STEM Academic Achievement Scholarship Award
- ISHSHA Academic All-State Team recognition
- Hobey Baker High School Character Award and national registry (selected by team’s head coach)
- IndyStar Indiana Sports Awards high school hockey player of the year banquet (nomination/invitee event)

How do I get on a FWAHA High School Hockey Team?

- New players who are enrolled in a Allen County school district must register and tryout for the school district based team.
 - Bishop Dwenger High School: Fort Wayne Vipers
 - Bishop Luers High School: Fort Wayne Vipers
 - Blackhawk Christian High School: Fort Wayne Vipers
 - Canterbury High School: Fort Wayne Vipers
 - Concordia Lutheran High School: Fort Wayne Vipers
 - Fort Wayne Community Schools: Fort Wayne Vipers
 - East Allen County Schools: Leo Lions
 - Northwest Allen County Schools: Carroll Chargers
 - Southwest Allen County Schools: Homestead Spartans
- New players enrolled at a school district outside of Allen County, or who are home schooled, are still eligible to tryout through the open draft. This also includes school districts outside of the Fort Wayne area or Ohio/Michigan.
- Returning players are to attend the tryout of the team they most recently played for. They are also eligible to attend tryouts for their own school district affiliated team.
- Players who are not selected at a varsity team tryout are eligible to return for the open draft tryout to be evaluated by other varsity teams.
- Players who are not selected or drafted by a varsity team are eligible to tryout for the High School Junior Varsity team (Fort Wayne Renegades).
- Special rules are in place to allow siblings to play on the same team.

What about participating on a 16U or 18U Showcase Team?

- Players will have the option of trying out and participating on both a High School Hockey Team, and a FWAHA Travel Showcase Team (16U or 18U). These teams will participate in the National Junior Prospects Hockey League (NJPHL) showcases. Practice and game schedules will accommodate both the high school hockey team and the showcase team.

Registration and Additional Information

- All players must pre-register for the tryouts on the Fort Wayne Amateur Hockey Association website (www.fwaha.org). USA Hockey registration for the upcoming season will be required prior to registering for tryouts.
- Tryout dates and times will be posted on the Fort Wayne Amateur Hockey Association website (www.fwaha.org).
- ISHSHA, Team Indiana, Academic Scholarship and Hobey Baker Awards information can be found on ISHSHA website (www.ishsha.com and www.hobeybaker.com/hscharacteraward).
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