



VS



COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS GAME DAY PREVIEW

Columbus Blue Jackets vs. Nashville Predators || Mar. 3, 2026 || Nationwide Arena || 7:00 pm ET || Game 60 (Home 29)

GAME DAY SCHEDULE

No Morning Skate

4:30pm ET: Head Coach Rick Bowness and Select Player Media Availability

7:00pm ET: Game vs. Nashville

Post-Game: Locker room will open approximately five minutes after the game's conclusion. Head Coach Rick Bowness will be available immediately after player availability.

BROADCAST INFO

TV: FANDUEL SPORTS NETWORK

Steve Mears (play-by-play)

Jody Shelley (analyst)

Dave Maetzold (reporter)

Brian Giesenschlag (host)

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Game Notes: Game Notes available at Media.NHL.com

MEDIA ENTRANCES

Morning Skate: Nationwide Arena Security Entrance

Game Night: Nationwide Arena Box Office (Opens at 4:00pm)

OhioHEALTH INJURY REPORT

Brendan Smith (Lower Body) 21

Zach Werenski (Illness) 1

TOTAL MAN GAMES LOST: 159

COLUMBUS

30-21-8 (68 pts.)

15-8-5 (35 pts.)

15-13-3 (33 pts.)

5th, Metropolitan

10th, Eastern

3.12 (17th) / 3.19 (22nd-T)

20.1 (16th) / 77.6 (22nd-T)

29.9 (5th) / 30.1 (28th)

Mar. 2 at NYR 4, CBJ 5 (OT)

Mar. 5 vs. Florida

HEAD-TO-HEAD

Record

At Home

On the Road

Division Rank

Conference Rank

GF / GA (NHL rank)

PP / PK (NHL rank)

SF / SA (NHL rank)

Last Game

Next Game

NASHVILLE

27-25-8 (62 pts)

16-13-3 (35 pts)

11-12-5 (27 pts)

5th, Central

10th, Western

2.90 (22nd) / 3.45 (29th)

22.6 (10th) / 80.0 (13th)

28.6 (13th-T) / 29.3 (22nd-T)

Mar. 2 at NSH 2, DET 4

Mar. 5 vs. Boston

ALL-TIME SERIES CBJ RECORD

32-58-1-13 (23-21-0-6 at Home)

THIS SEASON (CBJ, 0-1-0)

Oct. 9, 2025 - at NSH 2, CBJ 1
Mar. 3, 2026 - vs Nashville (7 pm ET)

2024-25 RECORD (CBJ 1-0-1)

Oct. 6, 2024 - at NSH 4, CBJ 3 (OT)
Apr. 1, 2025 - at CBJ 8, NSH 4

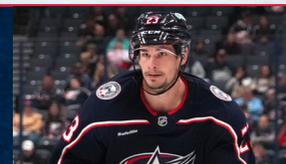
MATCHUP NOTES

- ★ The Blue Jackets have recorded points in two of the last three meetings (1-1-1).
- ★ CBJ have also won four of the last five games played at Nationwide Arena and picked up points in seven of the past nine at home since Jan. 10, 2019 (6-2-1).
- ★ The home team in the series has won four consecutive meetings and gone 17-3-1 in the last 21 matchups since Apr. 7, 2018.
- ★ Four of the past six meetings have been decided by a single goal.
- ★ The winning team in the series has scored four goals or more in three of the last four meetings and eight of the previous 11 matchups (including 50 goals).
- ★ Columbus has killed off 21-of-24 Nashville power play attempts over the last seven contests (87.5 pct.) and gone 27-of-32 on the penalty kill in the last 10 matchups overall (84.4 pct.).



JACKET TO WATCH - C Sean Monahan

Has recorded 7-17-24 with 9 multi-point efforts in 28 career GP vs. Nashville. Tallied 2-2-4 in most recent home game vs. club on Apr. 1, 2025 and has 5-8-13 in 14 career home contests.



PRED TO WATCH - C Steven Stamkos

Has 20-20-40 and 12 multi-point efforts in 36 career GP vs. Columbus. Has notched points in six of his last seven contests at Nationwide Arena (5-4-9).



TEAM NOTES

- ★ Columbus began its 12th back-to-back set of the season with a 5-4 OT win at the NY Rangers on Monday. The club is 15-5-3 (.717 pts. pct.) in back-to-backs this season.
- ★ CBJ, who play four-straight at home, have recorded points in nine of 10 games played at Nationwide Arena in 2026 (7-1-2).
- ★ Last night's contest at New York began a stretch of eight games in 13 days, including two back-to-back sets, through Mar. 14.
- ★ Since Dec. 22, the Blue Jackets have gone 16-6-2 (34 pts., .708 points pct.) and rank fourth in the NHL in points percentage (.708) and penalty kill pct. (84.1), sixth in points (34), seventh in save percentage (.906) and goals-against/game (2.71) as well as 10th-T in goals for/game (3.46).
- ★ The club has scored the opening goal in 13 of the past 15 games and has scored first 37 times in 2025-26 (25-7-5).

PLAYER NOTES

- ★ C **Charlie Coyle** posted two assists at New York and has tallied 5-10-15 and five multi-point efforts in the last nine games.
- ★ C **Adam Fantilli**, who registered 1-1-2 at the Rangers, has recorded goals in three consecutive games (3-2-5), points in four-straight (3-3-6), and has totaled 4-7-11 in the past nine contests.
- ★ RW **Kirill Marchenko** notched his team-leading fourth multi-goal outing of the season with 2-1-3, including the OT winner, at the Rangers. He has collected points in six of his past seven contests since Jan. 24 (4-5-9).
- ★ LW **Mason Marchment** scored his 10th goal as a Blue Jacket on Saturday vs. the Islanders and required the fewest games by any player to reach the mark with the franchise (10-6-16, 16 GP).
- ★ RW **Mathieu Olivier** has totaled 5-2-7 in the last eight contests.
- ★ D **Zach Werenski**, who missed last night's game due to illness, set a franchise record for defensemen with points in nine-straight games (2-11-13). He also has points in 22 of his past 24 games played since Dec. 11 (11-24-35, 11 multi-point efforts).



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IN-GAME INFORMATION & ACTIVATIONS

ANTHEM: Leo Welsh alongside Madison Plummer (American Sign Language)

CANNONEER: TBD

KID STARTER, presented by OhioCat: Will Dawley, Age 9, CAHA

MILITARY HONOREE, presented by Elk + Elk: James Brown, Retired MSgt, United States Air Force

1ST INTERMISSION: OhioHealth Future Jackets, Ohio Sled Hockey Columbus Blades (Scrimmage)

2ND INTERMISSION: CCYHA Special Hockey

50/50 BENEFICIARY, presented by Kemba Financial Credit Union: CIHC's Central Ohio Blind Hockey Development Camp

THEME NIGHT ACTIVATIONS: *HOCKEY IS FOR EVERYONE*, presented by Vorys

- Fans will receive an exclusive Hockey Is For Everyone lapel pin at the door, while supplies last.
- Special pregame on-ice introduction showcasing players from various programs that promote inclusivity and accessibility in the sport.
- To recognize and further advance the inclusivity and accessibility of the sport of hockey, Vorys will donate \$10,000 during the game towards multiple local organizations, including Ohio Sled Hockey, Central Ohio Girls Hockey, Columbus Ice Hockey Club, and CCYHA Special Hockey.

BLUE LINE ITEM OF THE GAME: Hockey Is For Everyone hats and pucks available online and in the main team store.

