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# COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS GAME DAY PREVIEW

Columbus Blue Jackets at Philadelphia Flyers || Mar. 24, 2026 || Xfinity Mobile Arena || 7:00 pm ET || Game 71 (Road 36)

## GAME DAY SCHEDULE

**11:00am ET:** Morning Skate at Penn Ice Rink.

Media Availability with Head Coach Rick Bowness and Players will take place at Xfinity Mobile Arena following return from morning skate.

**7:00pm ET:** Game at Philadelphia

**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: ESPN+, HULU**

Steve Levy (play-by-play)  
Kevin Weekes (analyst)  
Dave Jackson (rules analyst)  
John Buccigross (in studio)  
AJ Mieczko (in studio)  
Arda Öcal (in studio)

**RADIO: 97.1 THE FAN**

Bob McElligott (play-by-play)  
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**Game Notes:** Game Notes available at Media.NHL.com

## UPCOMING SCHEDULE

**Mar. 25:** No Practice Scheduled

**Mar. 26:** 7:00pm ET at Montreal

## OhioHEALTH INJURY REPORT

Brendan Smith (Lower Body) 32

**TOTAL MAN GAMES LOST:** 178

## COLUMBUS

37-22-11 (85 pts.)  
20-8-7 (47 pts.)  
17-14-4 (38 pts.)  
3rd, Metropolitan  
7th, Eastern  
3.17 (13th) / 3.06 (17th-T)  
20.3 (17th) / 77.8 (23rd)  
30.0 (4th-T) / 29.1 (21st)  
Mar. 22 at NYI 1, CBJ 0  
Mar. 26 at Montreal

## 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

## PHILADELPHIA

34-23-12 (80 pts)  
15-11-8 (38 pts)  
19-12-4 (42 pts)  
5th, Metropolitan  
11th, Eastern  
2.80 (25th) / 3.00 (13th)  
14.9 (32nd) / 77.9 (22nd)  
25.2 (29th-T) / 25.8 (4th)  
Mar. 21 at SJS 1, PHI 4  
Mar. 26 vs. Chicago

## ALL-TIME SERIES CBJ RECORD

31-19-3-4 (13-13-1-2 on the road)

## THIS SEASON (CBJ, 2-0-0)

Jan. 28, 2026 - at CBJ 5, PHI 3  
Mar. 14, 2026 - CBJ 2, at PHI 1 (SO)  
Mar. 24, 2026 - at Philadelphia (7:00 pm ET)

## 2024-25 RECORD (CBJ 2-1-1)

Dec. 10, 2024 - PHI 5, at CBJ 3  
Dec. 21, 2024 - at PHI 5, CBJ 4 (OT)  
Jan. 14, 2025 - at CBJ 3, PHI 2 (SO)  
Apr. 15, 2025 - CBJ 3, at PHI 0

## MATCHUP NOTES

- ★ Columbus has won four-straight in the series and collected points in the past five meetings since Dec. 21, 2024 (4-0-1). The Jackets have also earned points in seven of the last eight meetings dating back to Jan. 4, 2024 (6-1-1).
- ★ CBJ have earned points in their last four visits to Xfinity Mobile Arena (3-0-1) and ten of the past 14 road contests since Mar. 15, 2018 (8-4-2).
- ★ Four of the last six games played at Xfinity Mobile Arena have been decided after regulation (2-OT, 2-SO).
- ★ The winning team has won by multiple goals in six of the past ten games since Oct. 12, 2023.
- ★ The clubs have combined for three goals (including SO goals) in the past two played at Philadelphia but six-plus in 10 of the last 14 meetings in the state of Pennsylvania.
- ★ The Jackets have not relinquished a power play goal in the last five meetings dating back to Dec. 21, 2024 (17-of-17).
- ★ The teams have averaged 56.6 shots combined over the past five meetings at Philadelphia.



## JACKET TO WATCH - RW Kirill Marchenko

Has earned 4-5-9 with one multi point game in 12 career GP against the Flyers. Has points in six-straight games (3-3-6), and the last three at XMA (2-1-3), after posting a goal on Mar. 14.



## FLYER TO WATCH - D Cam York

Has notched 1-7-8 with two multi-point efforts in 15 career GP vs. Columbus. Has 0-3-3 in past six outings vs. Columbus overall and 1-5-6 in last seven contests at XMA.



## TEAM NOTES

- ★ Columbus had its season-high 12-game points streak (8-0-4) snapped with a 1-0 loss at the NY Islanders on Sunday. It was tied for the third-longest points streak in club history (third time).
- ★ The club has earned points in 23 of its last 26 contests (19-3-4, 42 pts) to lead the league in points pct. (.808) and fewest regulation losses since Jan. 11. The Jackets also rank second in wins, points and goals-against per game (2.46) and seventh in goals for per game (3.62) and shots against (25.2) over that span.
- ★ CBJ are also 8-2-1 in 11 road contests since Jan. 11, ranking second in the league in points pct. (.773) and third in goals-against per game (2.18) and penalty kill pct. (.867).
- ★ The Blue Jackets have 12 games remaining in the regular season with seven against teams currently holding a playoff spot, and all 12 contests against teams within six points of a playoff spot.

## PLAYER NOTES

- ★ **C Adam Fantilli** has registered points in six out of the last seven games (3-5-8) and in 12 of the last 15 contests (8-9-17). He has posted 9-13-22 in the past 20 contests since Jan. 24 and is three points (21-31-52, 70 GP) from setting a single-season career high.
- ★ **G Jet Greaves** has earned points in 13 of his last 14 starts since Jan. 11 (11-1-2, 2.25 GAA, .915 SV% in 15 GP), while **G Elvis Merzlikins** has recorded points in 10 of his past 12 starts over that span (8-2-2, 2.50 GAA in 13 GP).
- ★ **RW Mathieu Olivier** has registered six multi-point outings in the last 19 games since Jan. 28 (10-4-14).
- ★ **F Cole Sillinger** has posted 1-5-6 in the last four contests and has set a single-season career high in assists (7-25-32, 69 GP).
- ★ **D Zach Werenski** has collected points in 27 of his past 33 games played since Dec. 11 (11-34-45, 14 multi-point efforts) and has 20-55-75 and 24 multi-point efforts in 63 games in 2025-26. He sits one multi-point effort shy of tying Artemi Panarin's club record (25, 2018-19).