



VS



COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS GAME DAY PREVIEW

Columbus Blue Jackets vs. Boston Bruins || Mar. 29, 2026 || Nationwide Arena || 5:00 pm ET || Game 74 (Home 37)

GAME DAY SCHEDULE

No Morning Skate

2:30pm ET: Media with Head Coach Rick Bowness and Select Players

5:00pm ET: Game vs. Boston

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)
Jean-Luc Grand-Pierre (analyst)

RADIO: 97.1 THE FAN

Bob McElligott (play-by-play)
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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 2:00pm)

OhioHEALTH INJURY REPORT

Brendan Smith (Lower Body) 35
Damon Severson (Upper Body) 1

TOTAL MAN GAMES LOST: 182

COLUMBUS

38-24-11 (87 pts.)
20-9-7 (47 pts.)
18-15-4 (40 pts.)
4th, Metropolitan
8th, Eastern
3.12 (14th-T) / 3.03 (13th-T)
19.9 (18th) / 77.9 (23rd)
29.7 (5th-T) / 29.0 (20th-T)
Mar. 28 at CBJ 2, SJS 3
Mar. 31 vs. Carolina

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

BOSTON

41-24-8 (90 pts.)
27-10-1 (55 pts.)
14-14-7 (35 pts.)
4th, Atlantic
5th, Eastern
3.33 (9th) / 3.07 (19th-T)
23.3 (9th) / 76.7 (26th-T)
27.3 (21st) / 30.1 (30th)
Mar. 28 at BOS 6, MIN 3
Mar. 31 vs Dallas

ALL-TIME SERIES CBJ RECORD

17-18-10 (10-8-5 at Home)

THIS SEASON (CBJ, 0-1-0)

Feb. 26, 2026 - at BOS 4, CBJ 2
Mar. 28, 2026 - at Columbus (5 pm ET)
Apr. 12, 2026 - at Columbus (6 pm ET)

2024-25 RECORD (CBJ, 2-1-0)

Nov. 18, 2024 - at BOS 1, CBJ 5
Dec. 27, 2024 - BOS 2, at CBJ 6
Dec. 28, 2024 - at BOS 4, CBJ 0

MATCHUP NOTES

- ★ CBJ have earned points in eight of the last 11 games against Boston at Nationwide Arena since Dec. 27, 2016 (6-3-2).
- ★ The home team has won three-straight games and earned points in 19 of the last 23 meetings dating back to Nov. 10, 2016 (15-4-4).
- ★ The winning team has scored four goals or more in five consecutive meetings overall and eight times in the last 10 matchups, as well as each of the past four at Nationwide Arena.
- ★ The winning team has won by multiple goals in seven-straight contests in the series and nine of the past 10 meetings, along with by three-plus in each of the past four at Columbus.
- ★ The Blue Jackets are 17-of-81 on the power play (21.0 pct.) and 58-of-68 on the penalty kill (85.3 pct.) against the Bruins in 23 all-time meetings at Nationwide Arena.



JACKET TO WATCH - LW Mason Marchment

Has posted 2-5-7 with three multi-point efforts in nine GP vs. Boston. Has tallied his multi-point outings in each of his last three contests against the club (1-5-6).



BRUIN TO WATCH - D Charlie McAvoy

Has recorded 1-13-14 with four multi-point efforts in 19 GP vs. CBJ. Collected an assist in first meeting of season series and has 0-4-4 in last five appearances at Columbus.



TEAM NOTES

- ★ The Blue Jackets began a three-game homestand with a 3-2 loss to San Jose on Saturday. It snapped the club's 12-game home points streak (9-0-3), which was tied for the longest home points streak in club history (12; 9-0-3 from Feb. 11-Mar. 31, 2013). The team failed to collect points for just the second time in 18 games at Nationwide Arena in 2026 (12-2-4).
- ★ The club has earned points in 24 of its last 29 contests (20-5-4, 44 pts) to lead the league points pct. (.759) and goals against per game (2.45), and rank second in wins (tied) and points and eighth in goals-for per game (3.45) since Jan. 11.
- ★ Columbus has allowed two goals or less in eight of the last 10 games since Mar. 10 (1.90 GA/GP, 3rd in NHL).
- ★ CBJ conclude their 15th of 16 back-to-back sets (18-7-4, .690 pts pct.) today vs. Boston. The club has won five of the last six second games of a back-to-back and earned points in seven of the past eight (6-1-1; 9-4-1 overall in second games).
- ★ The Jackets lead the NHL with a franchise-record 55 goals scored by defensemen in 2025-26 (55-131-186, 73 GP).

PLAYER NOTES

- ★ **C Adam Fantilli** collected an assist vs. San Jose and has points in eight of the last 10 games (3-7-10) and 14 of the last 18 contests (8-11-19). He has set a single-season career high in assists and points (tied) with 21-33-54 in 73 contests.
- ★ **G Jet Greaves** has earned points in 14 of his last 16 starts since Jan. 11 (12-2-2, 2.23 GAA, .915 SV% in 16 GP), while **G Elvis Merzlikins** has recorded points in 10 of his past 13 starts over that span (8-3-2, 2.54 GAA in 14 GP).
- ★ **C Boone Jenner** has registered 1-3-4 in the last six games and is slated to play in his franchise-record 800th career game (209-207-416, 799 GP) today against the Bruins.
- ★ **RW Mathieu Olivier**, who leads the club in hits (207), ranks 11th-T in the NHL in goals since Jan. 28 (11-4-15 in 22 GP).
- ★ **F Cole Sillinger**, who notched a goal yesterday, has posted 2-5-7 in the last seven contests and has set career highs in assists and points (tied) with 8-25-33 in 72 appearances in 2025-26.
- ★ **D Zach Werenski** has notched 21-56-77 and 25 multi-point efforts in 66 games in 2025-26 to lead NHL blueliners in points-per-game (1.17), multi-point efforts and shots on goal (229) and sit second in points and third in goals.



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IN-GAME INFORMATION & ACTIVATIONS

ANTHEM: Leo Welsh

CANNONEER: Coyote Peterson, YouTube personality and wildlife educator on Brave Wilderness

KID STARTER, presented by OhioCat: Quinn Greiner, Age 11, 12U Ohio Blue Jackets Girls

MILITARY HONOREE, presented by Elk + Elk: Spc. Aaron House and Spec. Miranda House, U.S. Army

1ST INTERMISSION: OhioHealth Future Jackets, Blue Jackets Hockey League (Shootout)

2ND INTERMISSION: Toyota Bubble Ball

50/50 BENEFICIARY, presented by Kemba Financial Credit Union: Columbus Recreation and Parks Foundation

THEME NIGHT ACTIVATIONS: **CBJGIVESBACK NIGHT**

- The first in a series of game-night spotlights celebrating the Blue Jackets Foundation and the corporate partners who are driving meaningful impact across Central Ohio.
- Fans attending the March 29 game will receive the special co-branded Highlights magazine as the giveaway item, created in partnership with Highlights for Children to celebrate the Blue Jackets' 25th anniversary and promote literacy and education. The custom Blue Jackets-themed wrap features games, puzzles, fun facts, and interactive QR-based experiences that connect families to digital storytelling, player content, and Foundation initiatives.

BLUE LINE ITEM OF THE GAME: Tonal Sportiqe Hoodie -

Originally \$79.99, on sale for \$29.99.

Available online and in the main team store, while supplies last.

