



WED 1/17, 7:00 pm  
Holy Name @  
Lake Catholic

FRI 1/19, 7:00 pm  
St. Edward @  
Padua Franciscan

FRI 1/19, 6:50 pm  
University School @  
Gilmour Academy

■ = league game

SAT 1/20, 4:00 pm  
University School @  
Walsh Jesuit

SAT 1/20, 5:00 pm  
Lake Catholic @  
Gilmour Academy

SAT 1/20, 8:30 pm  
Padua Franciscan @  
Holy Name

SUN 1/21, 4:00 pm  
Gilmour Academy @  
Shaker Heights

## THE STRETCH DRIVE ARRIVES IN THE GLHL

With the final major three-day weekend of in-season tournament play behind us, the Great Lakes Hockey League season turns to the stretch drive with three weeks of regular season action remaining. The race for the regular season title in the GLHL is, once again, shaping up to be a beauty with three teams separated by just one point at the top of the standings heading into this week's games.

The Green Wave of Holy Name has an opportunity to move into first place with a win against the Lake Catholic Cougars Wednesday night at Mentor Civic Arena. Holy Name enters play this week just one point behind St. Edward and Walsh Jesuit, who are tied for first place with 12 points apiece.

The Namers also play at home Saturday night against Padua Franciscan, giving them four possible standings points this week. St. Edward plays just one league game—at Padua on Friday—while Walsh hosts University School at Kent State Ice Arena on Saturday afternoon.

The fourth- and fifth-place teams in the league, University School and Gilmour Academy, will face off Friday night at Gilmour. The winner of that game will still be in the hunt for the top spot in the standings while the loser will have their work cut out for them. If the post-season were here today, the Preppers and Lancers would be matched up against each other in the Cleveland Cup quarterfinals, so maybe that game is a playoff preview.

Both teams won tournament titles last weekend. US won the Mark Rasmus Memorial Invitational and Gilmour Academy won the Gary West Senior Boys tournament in St. Andrew's, Ontario.

University School has only played five league games—three fewer than the teams ahead of them in the standings—and are the only GLHL team yet to lose in regulation—so their current fourth-place standings could be deceiving.



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Lake Catholic captain **Jacob Schmitt** has 36 points (14-22-36) in 23 games this season.

## 2017-18 GLHL STANDINGS

*standings as of January 17; GLHL teams are awarded a point for an OT loss*

POS	Team (overall record)	W	L	OTL	T	PTS	GF	GA	DIFF
1	St. Edward (15-10-3)	5	1	1	1	12	26	7	19
	Walsh Jesuit (13-5-6)	5	2	1	1	12	33	18	15
3	Holy Name (13-9-3)	5	2	1	0	11	22	20	2
4	University School (13-4-3)	3	0	1	1	8	16	9	7
5	Gilmour Academy (14-6-3)	3	2	0	1	7	15	11	4
6	Padua Franciscan (2-17-0)	1	5	0	0	2	8	33	-25
7	Lake Catholic (8-14-1)	0	5	1	0	1	10	32	-22



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# GREAT LAKES HOCKEY LEAGUE—TEAM NOTES

**GILMOUR ACADEMY** > Gilmour Academy had an excellent primer for the stretch drive and the post-season tournaments at the Gary West Tournament in St. Andrews, Ontario, playing in four tight games. They opened up with ties against host St. Andrews (1-1) and Pennsylvania's Kiski School (2-2), then won a 1-0 game against Lower Canada College (ON). An empty-net goal sealed a 4-2 semifinal win over Upper Canada College so, essentially, that was a fourth-straight one-goal game. GA claimed the title with a 4-1 win over Everest Academy (ON)...Junior forward **Domenic Casamatta** scored the lone goal in the 1-0 win over LCC, then scored two goals—the ice-breaker and the ENG—to seal the win against UCC. He also added a goal in the championship game. Gilmour could use a little more goal-scoring, so Cassamatta's contributions are certainly welcome.

**HOLY NAME** > Holy Name scored 12 goals over their three previous games heading into the Walsh Jesuit Classic, but the goals dried up as the Namers suffered three-straight one-goal losses in the tournament to Findlay (1-0), Olentangy Liberty (2-1) and Shaker Heights (3-2). It was the second meeting of the year with Liberty, ranked #7 in the latest Ohio High School Hockey Poll. Holy Name also played them to a 4-4 tie at the Padua Holiday Hockey Tournament.

**LAKE CATHOLIC** > Lake Catholic had a week off following their home game against St. Edward last Wednesday. The Cougars took advantage of a rare weekend off to..."We decided to take the weekend off and give our players both a physical and mental break," said head coach **Justin Vance**. "With our numbers this year and a grueling league-filled schedule the rest of January it was important to give our guys time to rest and regroup before the stretch run." The Cougars don't have any more scheduled off days.

**PADUA FRANCISCAN** > The Padua Bruins play two league games this weekend, hosting St. Edward at OBM Arena in Strongsville on Friday night, then going into Ries Rink in Parma Heights to face the rival Holy Name Green Wave Saturday. Senior goalie **R. J. Schuette** ranks third in the GLHL with 148 saves in league play this season.

**ST. EDWARD** > St. Edward split a pair of games in Toronto against Blyth Academy over the weekend. Following a 5-4 loss on Friday, senior netminder **Andrew Stewart** stopped 29 of 31 shots, and sophomore forward **Joe Wilber** scored twice, in a 5-2 win on Saturday. Freshman forward **Tanyon Bajzer** picked up three points in each game and now leads the league in assists (25) and points (37)...The Eagles have allowed just seven goals in eight league games.

**UNIVERSITY SCHOOL** > Wins over Moeller (6-1) and Providence, IL (4-3) in the first two games of the Mark Rasmus Invitational Tournament put the University School Preppers into Sunday's championship game against the host Toledo St. John's Titans at the Tam O'Shanter. The Preppers beat the Titans, 5-1, for the tournament title and their fifth straight win.

**WALSH JESUIT** > Senior forward **Matt Morris** scored with 1:24 left in the third period to give Walsh Jesuit a 2-1 win over Olentangy Liberty in their opening game at the Cleveland Jesuit Classic. **Jakhari Desphy** lost his shutout as Liberty tied it up with just 3:40 left, but Morris gave the Warriors the win. "It was a great hockey game against a real tough, well-coached opponent," said Walsh head coach **Pat McKendry**. "Our leaders led the way. Our seniors are a really special class."...**Drew Rossiter** scored the lone Walsh goal in a 1-1 tie with Shaker Heights in Game Two, but the Warriors fell to Rocky River, 2-1, in the championship game.



*Padua frosh **Brandon Brown** is second on the team in goals (5) and points (8)*





## GLHL PLAYER OF THE WEEK—GEORGE BRINN, UNIVERSITY SCHOOL

University School junior defenseman **George Brinn** is the Great Lakes Hockey League Player of the Week for the week ending January 14.

Brinn has been very involved in the University School offense this season. He is third in the league among all players with 20 assists and enters the week on a seven-game point streak during which he has produced 15 points.

He collected three assists in a game three times in that seven-game span.

Brinn contributed six points (3-3-6) in 10 GLHL games last season as a sophomore, and his role has expanded this season.

“George Brinn is the Bobby Orr of our league,” said US head coach **Andre Lacroix**. “He skates very well, Plays defense very well. He knows where everybody is on the ice. He makes excellent decision on the ice and is a great team player.”

**PREVIOUS WINNERS:** Andrew Tomer, St. Edward (Dec. 8); Andrew Stewart, St. Edward (Dec. 16); Cole Horvath, Lake Catholic (Dec. 20); Jonathan Gabriel, Walsh Jesuit (Dec. 29); Tyler Fowles, St. Edward (Jan. 5); Kyle Flatow, University School (Jan. 10)



## GLHL ALUMNI BIO—DANIEL MENGES, GILMOUR ACADEMY '17

Gilmour Academy's **Daniel Menges** became the latest Great Lakes Hockey League player to secure a spot playing hockey at a higher level.

The 6'4", 187-pound forward recently signed a tender with the Coulee Region Chill of the Tier II Junior A North American Hockey League (NAHL).

Menges, a native of Novelty, Ohio, is currently playing a post-grad season with Gilmour's prep team. Before that, he played two seasons in the GLHL with **John Malloy's** Varsity A team.

“Daniel is a great example of a hard-working, dedicated player moving through our program,” said Malloy. “From Varsity B to Varsity A to our Prep team.”

“This year he decided to stay in school and do a post-grad year at Gilmour,” Malloy added. “He captains the team and is one of the top scorers.”

Menges leads the Lancers in assists (11) and points (17). He is currently on a 10-game point streak in which he has produced 14 points (4-10-14).

Menges played in the GLHL as a freshman and sophomore (2013-2015) before moving up to the prep squad.

Over 1,200 players have signed NCAA commitments out of the NAHL over the last seasons and 17 were drafted by NHL teams.



## STAT OF THE WEEK: TEAM GOALTENDING STATISTICS (all games)

Team	GP	MIN	SOG	SV	GA	GAA	SV %	SO
Gilmour	24	1003	566	533	33	1.48	0.942	4
St. Edward	28	819	393	364	29	1.59	0.926	6
Walsh Jesuit	24	923	441	406	35	1.71	0.921	3
University School	20	776	429	391	38	2.20	0.911	1
Holy Name	25	778	432	387	45	2.60	0.896	3
Lake Catholic	23	995	789	697	92	4.16	0.883	0
Padua	20	725	606	515	91	5.65	0.850	0

## 2017-18 GLHL SCORING LEADERS (all games)

#	NAME	TEAM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM
15	Tanyon Bajzer	STED	27	12	25	37	6
12	Cole Horvath	LC	23	23	13	36	8
2	Jacob Schmitt	LC	23	14	22	36	40
21	Ethan Whetstone	US	19	13	19	32	8
5	Frank Crisafi	STED	27	16	11	27	4
14	Steven LeVasseur	WJ	20	12	14	26	4
9	Jonathan Gabriel	WJ	20	14	10	24	12
14	Jack Henry Muha	US	20	13	11	24	2
13	Max Miotke	WJ	20	13	11	24	2
18	Andrew Tomer	STED	27	12	12	24	6
6	George Brinn	US	20	4	20	24	6
13	John Treppo	GA	22	13	8	21	16
5	Tyler Guarniere	HN	20	9	11	20	6
16	Sebastiano Layne	HN	20	15	4	19	18
14	Spencer Melcher	HN	20	9	10	19	2
22	Noah Schultz	STED	27	9	10	19	11
15	Matt Morris	WJ	19	8	10	18	2
16	Tyler Fowles	STED	27	7	11	18	14
19	Anthony Crisafi	STED	27	4	14	18	23
3	Tyler Budzar	STED	27	3	14	17	20



### SCORING LEADERS IN LEAGUE PLAY

Name	TEAM	GP	G	A	PTS
Jonathan Gabriel	WJ	9	9	6	15
Max Miotke	WJ	9	8	6	14
Steven LeVasseur	WJ	9	7	6	13
Tanyon Bajzer	STED	8	4	6	10
Jack Henry Muha	US	5	7	3	10
Frank Crisafi	STED	8	3	6	9
Matt Morris	WJ	8	5	4	9
Sebastiano Layne	HN	8	5	3	8
Tyler Guarniere	HN	8	3	4	7
Joey Martin	HN	8	4	3	7
Spencer Melcher	HN	8	2	5	7
John Treppo	GA	6	3	4	7
Cole Horvath	LC	6	4	3	7
Sean Jones	LC	5	3	4	7
Ethan Whetstone	US	4	1	6	7
Tyler Alt	US	5	3	4	7
Connor Cook	WJ	9	1	6	7

## 2017-18 GLHL GOALTENDING LEADERS (all games)

#	NAME	TEAM	W	L	T	SOL	SOG	SV	GA	GAA	SV %	SO
33	Jacob Ward	STED	1	0	1	0	34	33	1	0.50	0.971	1
30	Kyle Flatow	US	3	1	0	0	129	123	6	1.28	0.953	1
1	Duncan Nichols-Delay	GA	9	4	2	0	399	377	22	1.44	0.945	4
30	Payton Wetzel	GA	4	2	0	0	141	131	10	1.67	0.929	0
1	Andrew Stewart	STED	14	6	1	0	359	331	28	1.73	0.922	5
24	Jakhari Desphy	WJ	12	3	4	1	441	406	35	1.71	0.921	3
1	Riley Counahan	US	2	1	1	0	88	79	9	2.45	0.898	0
35	Critter Coughlin	US	5	3	1	0	212	189	23	2.59	0.892	0
30	Ross Conforto	HN	6	2	0	1	199	177	22	2.73	0.889	2
1	Anna Cvitkovich	HN	5	2	2	0	233	210	23	2.49	0.901	1
29	Patrick Kristo	LC	4	7	1	0	394	355	39	3.41	0.901	0
33	Nick Harris	PAD	0	5	0	0	161	138	23	4.54	0.857	0
33	Rob Kish	LC	4	6	0	0	395	342	53	4.97	0.866	0
1	RJ Schuette	PAD	2	9	0	0	405	341	64	5.78	0.842	0

