



2021 U.S. NATIONAL JUNIOR TEAM GAME NOTES

2021 IIHF WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP | EDMONTON, ALBERTA | DEC. 25, 2020 - JAN. 5, 2021

SEMIFINAL GAME • USA (4-0-0-1) VS. FINLAND (4-0-0-1) • EDMONTON, ALBERTA • ROGERS PLACE • JANUARY 4, 2021

U.S. IN SEMIFINALS

The U.S. has advanced to the semifinals in five of the last six years at the IIHF World Junior Championship. Since the semifinal was introduced, the U.S. has advanced 16 times over 26 years, posting a 5-1-1-8 (W-OTW-OTL-L) record. The U.S. is 3-2 in its last five semifinal games.

TOURNAMENT	OPPONENT	RESULT	FINISHED
2019	Russia	W, 2-1	Silver
2018	Sweden	L, 2-4	Bronze
2017	Russia	OTW, 4-3	Gold
2016	Russia	L, 1-2	Bronze
2013	Canada	W, 5-1	Gold
2011	Canada	L, 1-4	Bronze
2010	Sweden	W, 5-2	Gold
2008	Canada	L, 1-4	Fourth
2007	Canada	OTL, 1-2	Bronze
2006	Russia	L, 1-5	Fourth

TALKING POINTS

U.S. VERSUS FINLAND

The U.S. holds a 5-2-0-3 (W-OTW-OTL-L) advantage over Finland in its previous 10 matchups, including two quarterfinals victories. Finland defeated the U.S., 1-0, in the 2020 World Junior Championship quarterfinals, as **Spencer Knight** stopped 28 of 29 shots. All-time matchup info found on Page 10.

TOURNAMENT	GAME	DATE	RESULT
2020	Quarterfinals	1/2/20	L, 0-1
2019	Gold-medal	1/5/19	L, 2-3
2019	Preliminary	12/31/18	W, 4-1
2018	Preliminary	12/31/17	W, 5-4
2015	Preliminary	12/26/14	OTW, 2-1
2012	Preliminary	12/28/11	L, 1-4
2011	Preliminary	12/26/10	OTW, 3-2
2010	Quarterfinals	1/2/10	W, 6-2
2008	Preliminary	12/31/07	W, 5-3
2007	Quarterfinals	1/2/07	W, 6-3

STAYING DISCIPLINED

The U.S. National Junior Team has taken the fewest penalties in the tournament through five games. The U.S. has yet to take back-to-back penalties in game action. Head coach **Nate Leaman** has emphasized staying disciplined since the October training camp at USA Hockey Arena. Prior to both the October and December camps, Leaman showed video clips breaking down proper stick positioning and body checking in order to emphasize discipline. The United States ranks second with a 87.50% penalty kill.

USA VS FINLAND - TALE OF THE TAPE

CATEGORY	USA	FINLAND
Record	4-0-0-1	4-0-0-1
Goals For	30 (2nd)	19 (3rd)
Goals Against	7 (2nd)	10 (3rd)
Power Play	42.11% (1st)	40.00% (2nd)
Penalty Killing	87.50% (2nd)	84.21 (3rd)
Shots On Goal	211 (1st)	193 (T-2nd)
Shots Against	101 (2nd)	112 (3rd)
Top Scorers	Zegras (6-9—15) BOLDY (4-2—6) Brink (2-4—6) Farinacci (4-2—6) York (1-5—6)	Lundell (4-3—7) Niemela (2-5—7) Hirvonen (1-4—5) Simotaival (2-3—5)
Top Goalie	Knight (3-1, 1.70, .924)	Piirainen (3-1, 2.01, .917)

IIHF WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP RECORD

The U.S. set a new IIHF World Junior Championship record for longest team shutout streak at 218:53, which was snapped by Slovakia in quarterfinals. Goaltenders **Spencer Knight** and **Dustin Wolf** combined for the effort, stopping 68 consecutive shots over the course of five games.

CHASING HISTORY

Trevor Zegras is chasing down multiple high marks in the U.S. record books, full U.S. records on page 11:

Assists (Career) - currently 2nd, 18 assists
Points (Career) - currently 3rd, 24 points
Points (Single Tournament) - currently T-3rd, 15 points
Goals (Single Tournament) - currently T-10, 6 goals
Assists (Single Tournament) - currently T-4th, 9 assists

Spencer Knight is also chasing down multiple USA records, full U.S. records on page 11:

GAA (Single Tournament) - currently T-8th, 1.70 GAA
Shutouts (Single Tournament) - currently T-1st, 2 shutouts
Shutouts (Career) - currently T-1st, 2 shutouts

U.S. GAME SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME (LOCAL/ET)
TUES., DEC. 22 Edmonton, Alberta	FINLAND* Rogers Place	W, 3-2
FRI., DEC. 25 Edmonton, Alberta	RUSSIA Rogers Place	L, 3-5
SAT., DEC. 26 Edmonton, Alberta	AUSTRIA Rogers Place	W, 11-0
TUES., DEC. 29 Edmonton, Alberta	CZECH REPUBLIC Rogers Place	W, 7-0
THUR., DEC. 31 Edmonton, Alberta	SWEDEN Rogers Place	W, 4-0
SAT., JAN. 2 Edmonton, Alberta	SLOVAKIA (QF) Rogers Place	W, 5-2
MON., JAN. 4 Edmonton, Alberta	FINLAND (SF) Rogers Place	7:30 PM/9:30 PM
TUES., JAN. 5 Edmonton, Alberta	BRONZE-MEDAL GAME Rogers Place	3:30 PM/5:30 AM
TUES., JAN. 5 Edmonton, Alberta	GOLD-MEDAL GAME Rogers Place	7:30 PM/9:30 PM

*Pre-tournament game

All U.S. tournament games will be televised live on NHL Network

TEAM USA AT THE WORLD JUNIORS

Entering the 2021 IIHF World Junior Championship, the United States holds a 142-10-6-118-11 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T) all-time record in world junior championship play. Most recently, Team USA finished sixth at the 2020 IIHF World Junior Championship in Ostrava and Trinec, Czech Republic, after earning a silver in 2019 at Vancouver and Victoria, British Columbia. To date, Team USA has earned 12 podium finishes, including four gold medals (2004, 2010, 2013, 2017), two silver medals (1997, 2019) and six bronze medals (1986, 1992, 2007, 2011, 2016, 2018). The United States has medaled in six of the last 10 years, including a four year streak from 2016-19 that set a new U.S. record. The United States celebrated a successful decade from 2010-2020, collecting seven medals in 10 years. The three gold medals (2010, 2013, 2017) were only matched by Finland. The United States has featured four tournament Most Valuable Players, **Zach Parise** (2004), **John Gibson** (2013), **Casey Mittelstadt** (2018) and **Ryan Poehling** (2019).

MEDIA INFORMATION

All U.S. National Junior Team players, as well as head coach Nate Leaman, will be available for interviews in designated media Zooms following practices and games. Members of the media are not allowed in the U.S. dressing room at any time.

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All media availability with U.S. team members must be arranged through Aaron Westendorf, who is on-site with Team USA throughout the event.

ONLINE MEDIA GUIDE

TEAMUSA.U.SAHOCKEY.COM/WORLDJUNIORS2021

Team USA information, including bios, team schedule, news and team history are available at the official website of USA Hockey's national teams.



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ADDITIONAL NOTES

TEAM USA RANKINGS

1st - Shots on Goal (211)
1st - Power Play (42.11%)
1st - PIM (30:00)
1st - Shutouts (3)
T-1st - Power Play Goals (8)
2nd - Shots Allowed (101)
2nd - Penalty Kill (87.50%)
2nd - GAA (1.41)
2nd - Scoring Efficiency (14.22%)

FACEOFFS

Three American centers have a 50% or better faceoff percentage, with **John Farinacci** leading the U.S. team through four games (minimum 50 faceoffs taken):

65.08% - John Farinacci
53.12% - Alex Turcotte
50.00% - Matthew Beniers
60.00% - *Matthew Boldy (20 faceoffs)*

WINNING GROUP PLAY

Since the group play format began in the World Junior Championship in 1996, the United States has won its group on five occasions. Those results are listed below:

TOURNAMENT	RESULT
2017	Gold
2011	Bronze
2008	Fourth
2004	Gold
1996	Silver

YOUTH CONNECTION

Some players on the U.S. National Junior Team have notable youth hockey connections dating back more than 10 years. Linemates **Trevor Zegras** and **Arthur Kaliyev** played together in New York at about 10-years old, often facing **Spencer Knight** in games. **Brendan Brisson** and **Dustin Wolf** were teammates on the LA Jr. Kings, and would face the Anaheim Ducks frequently that featured **Ryan Johnson** and **Cam York**. Forward **Bobby Brink** and defenseman **Drew Helleeson** grew up playing hockey together in Minnesota.

VIRTUAL FANS

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic there will be no fans in attendance at this year's World Junior Championship. However, there will still be fans cheering on teams, albeit virtually, this year. Team USA will have many special guests and fans in attendance tonight. Kevin Horstman will have three generations of USA Hockey fans, covering more than 50 years on tonight. Jack Koslosky will be joined by his friend Cole (not that Jack and Cole) to root on USA. Sullivan McCurdy, from the Kalamazoo youth hockey program, and his brother Murphy will be "going nuts" for every goal tonight. Brian McGuire says he lives at his local hockey rink, and that many of tonight's roster played in the nearby area. Brian Anderson coaches 8U hockey, and will be joined by his three 8U players. David Fischetti is a Level 4 coach, and his 12U daughter will be joining him on the couch. Georgine Charette has played hockey since she was seven, and is excited for tonight's game. And Joseph Crimboli can't wait to play for the U.S. National Junior Team one day.

RETURN TO EDMONTON

Five players on the U.S. National Junior Team competed in the Hlinka Gretzky Cup in 2018, hosted inside Rogers Place in Edmonton and Red Deer, Alberta. The team's captain, **John Farinacci**, has scored in three of four preliminary games heading into tonight. Farinacci also leads the U.S. with a 63.27% faceoff win percentage. The U.S. Hlinka team went on to finish 4th in the tournament after a semifinal loss to Canada.

WHERE HAVE THEY BEEN TRAINING?

Not all leagues have been able to begin their seasons, meaning some of Team USA's players have not played a game since last season. Below is a list of those players and where they've been training.

Sam Colangelo: has been training with Northeastern University
Arthur Kaliyev: trained with Los Angeles Kings
Alex Turcotte: trained at USA Hockey Arena with **Cole Caufield** and **Cam York**, in addition to training with Los Angeles Kings, and briefly trained in Germany with Eisbären Berlin
Dustin Wolf: trained in Stockton, Calif. with Flames organization, and traveled to Michigan early to train at USA Hockey Arena
Trevor Zegras: trained with the Anaheim Ducks

GONE CAMPING

OCTOBER CAMP

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, USA Hockey was unable to host its annual World Junior Summer Showcase, that would normally play host to games between the United States, Canada, Finland and Sweden. The United States did hold a National Junior Evaluation Camp in Plymouth, Mich. at USA Hockey Arena from Oct. 8-13 that included 42 players. The camp, featuring three days of intrasquad competition, allowed general manager **John Vanbiesbrouck** and his staff to review the talent pool of American players born in 2001 or later.

DECEMBER CAMP

USA Hockey invited 29 players back to Plymouth, Mich., on Dec. 6, for a week-long camp in preparation for the World Junior Championship.

TEAM USA ON ZOOM

During the four-day isolation quarantine, Team USA spent time on Zoom with notable U.S. National Junior Team alumni **Patrick Kane** (2007), **Charlie McAvoy** (2016, 2017) and **Dylan Larkin** (2015). Kane, who won a bronze medal in 2007, was named to the World Juniors All-Star Team. McAvoy, who won a gold and bronze medal, was named to the 2017 World Juniors All-Star Team. Larkin was tied for the tournament's lead in goals scored in 2015 with five goals in five games. Tampa Bay Lightning assistant coach **Derek LaLonde** also spoke to Team USA early in the isolation quarantine period, with emphasis on best tips for staying sharp in the bubble and how Tampa Bay overcame adversity to win the Stanley Cup.

FAMILY TRADITION

Three Team USA players have fathers who previously played on U.S. National Junior Teams:

Bobby Brink - Andy Brink (1994)
Ryan Johnson - Craig Johnson (1991)
Alex Turcotte - Alfie Turcotte (1984)

Craig Johnson played in four IIHF Men's World Championships (1993, 1996, 1999 and 2003), and served as an alternate captain in 2003. Johnson won a bronze medal in 1996, and also played on the Team USA Winter Olympic Team in 1994. Alfie Turcotte played in the 1986 IIHF Men's World Championship for USA Hockey.

SURFING USA

California natives **Brendan Brisson**, **Ryan Johnson**, **Dustin Wolf** and **Cam York** have been featured as a shining examples of the growth of hockey in the United States. Both **Jackson LaCombe** and **Drew Helleeson** spent time playing youth hockey in California growing up. Despite the long list of youth players from California, and the even longer list of California prospects drafted by the Anaheim Ducks and Los Angeles Kings, there are only two players that regularly surf on the west coast: Brisson and York. It's still unclear who the better surfer is between the two.



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WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

The 2017 gold medal-winning team has many notable alumni that have made their NHL debuts:

Anaheim Ducks - Troy Terry
Arizona Coyotes - Clayton Keller
Boston Bruins - Troy Terry
Dallas Stars - Jake Oettinger*
Edmonton Oilers - Caleb Jones
Ottawa Senators - Colin White
Minnesota Wild - Jordan Greenway
Minnesota Wild - Luke Kunin (currently NSH)
New Jersey Devils - Joey Anderson (currently TOR)
New York Islanders - Kieffer Bellows
New York Rangers - Adam Fox
New York Rangers - Ryan Lindgren
St. Louis Blues - Tage Thompson (currently BUF)
Winnipeg Jets - Jack Roslovic

**has not played in a regular season NHL game, made debut in Stanley Cup Playoffs*

MEET THE CAPTAINS

(C) CAM YORK: One of eight returners from last year's National Junior Team, York is currently a sophomore at the University of Michigan (Big Ten). This is York's first time serving as a captain for Team USA, after playing in both the 2018 and 2019 IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championships, where he earned a silver and bronze medal. In the 2019 tournament, York set tournament records for all-time tournament points by a defenseman (17) and all-time tournament assists by a defenseman (13). York is the lone returner from the 2020 IIHF World Junior Championship on the blue line for the Americans. The defenseman was teammates with Caufield and Turcotte from 2017-19 at the U.S. National Team Development Program. A native of Anaheim, Calif., York was drafted by the Philadelphia Flyers in the first round, 14th overall.

(A) COLE CAUFIELD: Caufield is competing in his fourth IIHF event, after previously collecting a silver and bronze medal at the IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship in 2018 and 2019. Additionally, the forward played for Team USA in the 2020 World Juniors. Caufield led the 2019 IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship with 14 goals scored, tying Alex Ovechkin's individual tournament record, where he served as an alternate captain in 2019. The Stevens Points, Wis. native is currently playing in his second season for the University of Wisconsin (Big Ten), after being selected by the Montreal Canadiens in the first round of the 2019 NHL Draft, 15th overall.

(A) ALEX TURCOTTE: Turcotte is playing in his second IIHF World Junior Championship, after competing internationally in two IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championships, including in 2019 where he served as an alternate captain. The Chicago, Ill. forward most recently played at the University of Wisconsin (Big Ten) during the 2019-20 season prior to signing his entry-level contract with the Los Angeles Kings. Turcotte was selected by the Kings in the first round, fifth overall.

QUARANTINE QUICK SHIFTS

Forward **Matthew Beniers** hosted a three-part Zoom series during the four-day isolation period. 2019-20 U.S. National Team Development Program teammates **Landon Slaggert** and **Brock Faber** were asked rapid fire questions in Episode 1, **Trevor Zegras** and **Patrick Moynihan** hopped on for Episode 2, and Episode 3 was co-hosted by Zegras with guests **Matthew Boldy** and **Cole Caufield**. All three episodes are available on USA Hockey's YouTube channel. Beniers' mother, Christine, performed on Broadway and encouraged Matthew to get involved in music as well as plays. Beniers' teammates voted him "Most Likely to Host a TV Show" which helped him land the role as host for Quarantine Quick Shifts.

DOWN THE ROAD

Jake Sanderson's grandparents live in Edmonton, Alberta. This year's World Juniors was going to be the first time in over two years seeing their grandson play in-person. Instead, they'll be cheering on Jake and Team USA from the comfort of their home this year.

RECORD SETTERS

The U.S. National Junior Team features three record-setting NTDP players: a forward, defenseman and goaltender. **Cole Caufield** set the NTDP goal-scoring records for single season (72) in 2018-19 and career goals scored (126), 2017-19. Previous record holders were **Auston Matthews** (55) and **Phil Kessel** (104). Caufield is third all-time at the NTDP with 180 career points. At the 2019 Under-18 Men's World Championship, Caufield tied **Alex Ovechkin's** tournament record for most goals in single tournament (14). **Cam York** owns the NTDP record for points by a defenseman in a single season (65 in 2018-19) and is second all-time at the NTDP in career points by a defenseman (103), 2017-19. Additionally, York set all-time marks at the Under-18 Men's World Championship including career points by a defenseman (17) and career assists by a defenseman (13). **Spencer Knight** set the NTDP record for most wins in a career by a goaltender (59) from 2017-19, and was T-1st for most wins in a single season (32) after his 2018-19 campaign.

GOALIE VIRTUAL SUITE WITH USA HOCKEY

USA Hockey hosted a pre-game virtual suite prior to the New Year's Eve matchup against Sweden with notable American goaltenders including: Ben Bishop, Brian Boucher, Steve Cash, Alex Cavallini, Jim Craig, Lefty Curran, Thatcher Demko, Pam Dreyer, Robert Esche, Jimmy Howard, Steve Janaszak, Jack McCartan, Ryan Miller, Jake Oettinger, Cayden Primeau, Mike Richter, Maddie Rooney, Cory Schneider and Joe Woll. The discussion will be led by ADM goaltending manager and long-time volunteer Ron DeGregorio, who still laces them up as a goaltender today after more than 40 years of service at USA Hockey. USA Hockey staff members Jim Smith, Pat Kelleher, Tami Tranter and Katie Million will also be in attendance.

BIRTHDAYS IN THE BUBBLE

Three players will be celebrating their birthdays while staying in the bubble:

Dec. 26 - Sam Colangelo
Jan. 2 - Cole Caufield
Jan. 5 - Cam York

SEEING STARS

The now infamous star-studded shirts were a Christmas gift from head coach Nate Neaman to all of the team staff and players. Players can be seen wearing the shirts under their Nike 80's inspired puffy jackets while walking into Rogers Place. Leaman also treated coaches prior to the tournament to matching red and blue shirts. If there is any puzzlement from fashion police or fans, USA Hockey can confirm that the shirts are loved by players and staff.



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PRE-TOURNAMENT GAME 1 • USA VS. FINLAND

December 22, 2020 - Rogers Place - Edmonton, Canada
(0)

United States	1	2	0	-	3
Finland	1	1	0	-	2

1st: FIN - Pärssinen (Niemelä, Fagemo), PPG, 1:26
USA - Kaliyev (Boldy, Zegras), PPG, 19:54
2nd: USA - Caufield (Zegras, LaCombe), 1:04
USA - Caufield (Sanderson), 1:39
FIN - Niemelä (Pärssinen, Lambert), PPG, 8:23
3rd: No Scoring

Penalties: USA 4-16, FIN 6-12 **Power Play:** USA 1-5, FIN 2-2

Saves: USA - Knight (7/9); 30:15
USA - Wolf (7/7); 29:45
FIN - Piironen (26/29); 40:00
FIN - Taponen (16/16); 20:00
Shots: USA 45-16

Notes: Cole Caufield tallied two goals on the same shift, less than two minutes into the second period to put the U.S. ahead, 3-1. Spencer Knight and Dustin Wolf combined time in net for Team USA's one and only pre-tournament matchup. Zegras was credited with two assists. USA outshot Finland 45-16, and scored twice at even strength. Caufield was named Player of the Game for the United States.

PRELIMINARY GAME 1 • USA VS. RUSSIA

December 25, 2020 - Rogers Place - Edmonton, Canada
(0)

United States	1	0	2	-	3
Russia	1	3	1	-	5

1st: RUS - Ponomarev (Knyazev, Kirsanov), 8:07
USA - York (Caufield, Boldy), 14:01
2nd: RUS - Bardakov (Groshev), 3:12
RUS - Caufield (Sanderson), 11:08
RUS - Safonov, 12:15
3rd: USA - Farinacci (Helleison, Brink), 9:57
USA - Zegras (York), 17:42, PPG with EA
RUS - Chinakhov (Amirov, Khusnutdinov), 19:39, ENG

Penalties: USA 1-2, RUS 4-8 **Power Play:** USA 1-4, RUS 0-1

Saves: USA - Knight (8/12); 32:15
USA - Wolf (11/11); 26:35
RUS - Askarov (23/26), 60:00
Shots: USA 26-24

Notes: Cam York scored to make the game 1-1 after the first period. However, Russia pushed in the second, taking a 4-1 lead into the third. Dustin Wolf came into the game 12 minutes into the middle frame, as the U.S. attack began to build momentum. John Farinacci put the Americans on the board before Trevor Zegras made the game 4-3 with his first career IIHF goal, assisted by York. In the games' final minute, the United States attempted to score a tying goal, but it was Russia who found the back of an empty net. Russia ended a five-game losing streak to the Americans.

PRELIMINARY GAME 2 • USA VS. AUSTRIA

December 26, 2020 - Rogers Place - Edmonton, Canada
(0)

United States	1	6	4	-	11
Austria	0	0	0	-	0

1st: USA - Helleison (Turcotte, Zegras), 15:31
2nd: USA - Zegras (Turcotte, Kaliyev), 4:35
USA - Farinacci (Johnson, Berrard), 5:03
USA - Brisson (Sanderson), 8:05, PPG
USA - Zegras (Turcotte), 11:59
USA - Boldy (Beniers, Faber), 14:15
USA - Boldy (Kaliyev, York), 18:24, PPG
3rd: USA - Berard (Farinacci), 2:25
USA - Brisson (Kleven, Moynihan), 3:07
USA - Boldy (Zegras, Moynihan), 5:52
USA - Colangelo (Faber, Berard), 9:45

Penalties: USA 2-4, AUT 3-29 **Power Play:** USA 2-3, AUT 0-2

Saves: USA - Wolf (10/10), 60:00 **Shots:** USA 73-10
AUT - Wraneschtz (58/68), 49:12
AUT - Brandner (4/5), 10:48

Notes: 16 different players picked up a point, with seven different goal scorers in the 11-0 victory. Matthew Boldy scored a hat trick, while Trevor Zegras led all players with four points. Dustin Wolf recorded the shutout, stopping all 10 Austrian shots. The U.S. outshot Austria 73-10. Sam Colangelo scored a goal, his first career IIHF goal with Team USA, on his birthday. Alex Turcotte dished out three assists, Brett Berard picked up three points including a goal, Brendan Brisson scored two goals, and Brock Faber, Arthur Kaliyev and Patrick Moynihan all picked up two assists. John Farinacci also picked up two points including his second goal of the tournament.

PRELIMINARY GAME 3 • USA VS. CZECH REPUBLIC

December 29, 2020 - Rogers Place - Edmonton, Canada
(0)

United States	0	3	4	-	7
Czech Republic	0	0	0	-	0

1st: No Scoring
2nd: USA - Brink (Berard), 5:33
USA - Zegras (Thrun), 13:30
USA - Brink (Beniers, Johnson), 15:56
3rd: USA - Zegras (Faber, York), 6:03
USA - Kaliyev (York, Zegras), 8:18, PPG
USA - Caufield (Zegras, York), 10:22, PPG
USA - Boldy (Zegras, Caufield), 11:22, PPG

Penalties: USA 2-4, CZE 7-24 **Power Play:** USA 3-5, CZE 0-2

Saves: USA - Knight (22/22), 60:00 **Shots:** USA 32-22
CZE - Parik (23/30), 51:22
CZE - Malik (2/2), 8:38

Notes: Bobby Brink started an offensive surge for Team USA, as Trevor Zegras went on to score two goals and three assists to lead the American offensive attack. Spencer Knight stopped all 22 shots he faced, giving the United States back-to-back shutouts in preliminary play. Brink's two goals, both in the second period, were scored in the front of the net helping the U.S. take a 3-0 lead. Cam York tallied three assists, as Team USA outshot the Czech Republic 32-22. With the three assists, Zegras is now T-2nd in all-time career assists in USA World Juniors history.

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PRELIMINARY GAME 4 • USA VS. SWEDEN

December 31, 2020 - Rogers Place - Edmonton, Canada
(0)

United States	2	2	0	-	4
Sweden	0	0	0	-	0

1st: USA - Helleson (Farinacci, Brink), 1:09
USA - Zegras (Faber), 3:58
2nd: USA - Johnson (Zegras, Turcotte), 2:00
USA - Turcotte (Kaliyev, Zegras), 3:55
3rd: No Scoring

Penalties: USA 1-2, SWE 2-4 **Power Play:** USA 0-2, SWE 0-1

Saves: USA - Knight (27/27), 60:00 **Shots:** USA 33-27
SWE - Alnefelt (16/20), 23:55
SWE - Wallstedt (17/17), 36:05

Notes: Behind a 27-save performance from **Spencer Knight** and a goal and two assists from **Trevor Zegras**, the U.S. earned a 4-0 victory over Sweden in its final preliminary round game of the 2021 World Junior Championship, earning the first-place seed in Group B. It was the third straight shutout for Team USA. **Drew Helleson** and Zegras scored quickly in the first period to give the U.S. a 2-0 advantage. Zegras added two more assists to complete a three-point night. Through the preliminary round, Zegras leads the 2021 IIHF World Junior Championship with 13 points (6-7—13). Knight became the first U.S. goaltender ever to record back-to-back shutouts in the World Junior Championship.

QUARTERFINAL GAME • USA VS. SLOVAKIA

January 2, 2021 - Rogers Place - Edmonton, Canada
(0)

United States	1	2	2	-	5
Slovakia	0	1	1	-	2

1st: USA - Kaliyev (Boldy, Zegras), 10:44, PPG
2nd: USA - Farinacci (Johnson, Berard), 11:55
USA - Caulfield (Zegras), 16:53, PPG
SVK - Kaslik (Nemec, Kolenic), 18:32
3rd: SVK - Sojka (Knazko), 9:50, PPG
USA - Farinacci (Brink), 15:46
USA - Beniers (Brink), 18:36, ENG

Penalties: USA 4-18, SVK 5-10 **Power Play:** USA 2-4, SVK 1-3

Saves: USA - Knight (16/18), 60:00 **Shots:** USA 43-18
SVK - Latkoczy (38/42), 59:53

Notes: The U.S. National Junior Team, behind two goals from **John Farinacci** earned a 5-2 victory over Slovakia in quarterfinal play of the 2021 IIHF World Junior Championship. **Trevor Zegras** collected two assists to maintain his tournament-best ranking in points and assists. **Spencer Knight** stopped 16 of 18 shots for his third consecutive win. The Slovakia goal scored late in the second period snapped a U.S. team shutout streak of 218:53, which set a new IIHF World Junior Championship record. **Dustin Wolf** and Knight combined in net for the streak, spanning five games.

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NO.	NAME	HT (CM)	WT (KG)	BIRTHDATE	S/C	HOMETOWN	CURRENT TEAM (LEAGUE)	NHL RIGHTS (NHL DRAFT)
GOALTENDERS (3)								
30	Spencer Knight*	6-3 (191)	194 (88)	04/19/2001	L	Darien, Conn.	Boston College (HEA)	FLA (*19, 1st rd., 13th overall)
29	Logan Stein	6-2 (185)	210 (95)	04/26/2001	L	Suwanee, Ga.	Ferris State University (WCHA)	2021 NHL Draft Eligible
32	Dustin Wolf*	6-0 (183)	161 (73)	04/16/2001	L	Gilroy, Calif.	Everett Silvertips (WHL)	CGY (*19, 7th rd., 214th overall)
DEFENSEMEN (9)								
11	Brock Faber	6-0 (182)	193 (88)	08/22/2002	R	Maple Grove, Minn.	University of Minnesota (Big Ten)	LAK (*20, 2nd rd., 45th overall)
2	Drew Helleeson	6-2 (187)	191 (87)	03/26/2001	R	Farmington, Minn.	Boston College (HEA)	COL (*19, 2nd rd., 47th overall)
23	Ryan Johnson	6-1 (184)	175 (79)	07/24/2001	L	Irvine, Calif.	University of Minnesota (Big Ten)	BUF (*19, 1st rd., 31st overall)
7	Tyler Kleven	6-4 (193)	201 (91)	01/10/2002	L	Fargo, N.D.	University of North Dakota (NCHC)	OTT (*20, 2nd rd., 44th overall)
5	Jackson LaCombe	6-2 (187)	190 (86)	01/09/2001	L	Eden Prairie, Minn.	University of Minnesota (Big Ten)	ANA (*19, 2nd rd., 39th overall)
8	Jake Sanderson	6-2 (187)	186 (84)	07/08/2002	L	Whitefish, Mont.	University of North Dakota (NCHC)	OTT (*20, 1st rd., 5th overall)
17	Hunter Skinner	6-2 (187)	187 (84)	04/29/2001	R	Pinckney, Mich.	London Knights (OHL)	NYR (*19, 4th rd., 112th overall)
3	Henry Thrun	6-2 (187)	195 (88)	03/12/2001	L	Southborough, Mass.	Dubuque Fighting Saints (USHL)+	ANA (*19, 4th rd., 101st overall)
4	Cam York*	5-11 (180)	174 (79)	01/05/2001	L	Anaheim Hills, Calif.	University of Michigan (Big Ten)	PHI (*19, 1st rd., 14th overall)
FORWARDS (13)								
10	Matthew Beniers	6-1 (184)	168 (76)	11/05/2002	L	Hingham, Mass.	University of Michigan (Big Ten)	2021 NHL Draft Eligible
21	Brett Berard	5-9 (175)	152 (69)	09/09/2002	L	East Greenwich, R.I.	Providence College (HEA)	NYR (*20 5th rd., 134th overall)
12	Matthew Boldy	6-2 (187)	194 (88)	04/05/2001	L	Millis, Mass.	Boston College (HEA)	MIN (*19, 1st rd., 12th overall)
24	Bobby Brink*	5-8 (173)	165 (75)	07/08/2001	R	Minnetonka, Minn.	University of Denver (NCHC)	PHI (*19, 2nd rd., 34th overall)
18	Brendan Brisson	5-11 (180)	177 (80)	10/22/2001	L	Manhattan Beach, Calif.	University of Michigan (Big Ten)	VGK (*20 1st rd., 29th overall)
13	Cole Caufield*	5-8 (173)	170 (77)	01/02/2001	R	Stevens Point, Wis.	University of Wisconsin (Big Ten)	MTL (*19, 1st rd., 15th overall)
22	Sam Colangelo	6-2 (187)	205 (93)	12/26/2001	R	Stoneham, Mass.	Northeastern University (HEA)	ANA (*20, 2nd rd., 36th overall)
25	John Farinacci	6-0 (182)	185 (84)	02/14/2001	R	Red Bank, N.J.	Muskegon Lumberjacks (USHL)+	ARI (*19, 3rd rd., 76th overall)
28	Arthur Kaliyev*	6-2 (187)	190 (86)	06/26/2001	L	Staten Island, N.Y.	Hamilton Bulldogs (OHL)	LAK (*19, 2nd rd., 33rd overall)
19	Patrick Moynihan	5-11 (180)	185 (84)	01/23/2001	R	Millis, Mass.	Providence College (HEA)	NJD (*19, 6th rd., 158th overall)
26	Landon Slaggert	6-0 (182)	182 (83)	06/25/2002	L	South Bend, Ind.	University of Notre Dame (Big Ten)	CHI (*20, 3rd rd., 79th overall)
15	Alex Turcotte*	5-11 (180)	185 (84)	02/26/2001	L	Chicago, Ill.	University of Wisconsin (Big Ten) 2019-20^	LAK (*19, 1st rd., 5th overall)
9	Trevor Zegras*	6-0 (182)	174 (79)	03/20/2001	L	Bedford, N.Y.	Boston University (HEA) 2019-20^	ANA (*19, 1st rd., 9th overall)

*2020 U.S. National Junior Team member

^ Signed NHL contract, has not played for professional team in 2020-21

+ Due to cancellation of Harvard season, currently playing in USHL

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TIME (ET)			FIN^ W, 3-2 12/22	RUS L, 3-5 12/25	AUT W, 11-0 12/26	CZE W, 7-0 12/29	SWE W, 4-0 12/31	SVK (QF) W, 5-2 1/2	FIN (SF) 9:30 PM 1/4	MEDAL TBD 1/5	2021 WJC TOTAL
2	Drew Helleeson	D	--	A	G*	--	G*	--	--	--	2-1 (3)
3	Henry Thrun	D	--	--	--	A	--	--	--	--	0-1 (1)
4	Cam York	D	--	GA	A	AAA	--	--	--	--	1-5 (6)
5	Jackson LaCombe	D	A	--	DND	--	--	--	--	--	0-0 (0)
7	Tyler Kleven	D	--	DND	A	DND	--	DND	--	--	0-1 (1)
8	Jake Sanderson	D	A*	--	A	--	--	--	--	--	0-1 (1)
9	Trevor Zegras	F	AA	P	AGGA	GGAAA	GAA	AA*	--	--	6-9 (15)
10	Matthew Beniers	F	--	--	A	A	--	E	--	--	1-2 (3)
11	Brock Faber	D	--	--	AA	A	A	--	--	--	0-4 (4)
12	Matthew Boldy	F	A	A	GPG	G	--	A	--	--	4-2 (6)
13	Cole Caufield	F	GG*	A	--	GA	--	P*	--	--	2-2 (4)
15	Alex Turcotte	F	--	--	A*AA	--	AG	--	--	--	1-4 (5)
17	Hunter Skinner	D	--	DND	DND	DND	DND	--	--	--	0-0 (0)
18	Brendan Brisson	F	--	--	PG	--	--	--	--	--	2-0 (2)
19	Patrick Moynihan	F	--	--	AA	--	DND	DND	--	--	0-2 (2)
21	Brett Berard	F	--	--	AGA	A*	--	A	--	--	1-4 (5)
22	Sam Colangelo	F	--	--	G	--	--	--	--	--	1-0 (1)
23	Ryan Johnson	D	--	--	A	A	G	A	--	--	1-3 (4)
24	Bobby Brink	F	--	A	--	G*G	A	AA	--	--	2-4 (6)
25	John Farinacci	F	--	G	GA	--	A*	GG	--	--	4-2 (6)
26	Landon Slaggert	F	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0-0 (0)
28	Arthur Kaliyev	F	P	--	AA	G	A	P	--	--	2-3 (5)
29	Logan Stein	G	DND	DND	DND	DND	DND	DND	--	--	0-0 (W-L)
			--/--	--/--	--/--	--/--	--/--	--/--	--/--	--/--	n/a GAA
30	Spencer Knight	G	W (34:58) 7/9	L (32:15) 8/12	DNP --/--	W (60:00) 22/22	W (60:00) 27/27	W (60:00) 16/18	-- --/--	-- --/--	3-1 (W-L) 1.70 GAA
32	Dustin Wolf	G	(25:02) 7/7	(26:35) 11/11	W (60:00) 10/10	DNP --/--	DNP --/--	DNP --/--	-- --/--	-- --/--	1-0 (W-L) 0.00 GAA

Key: For complete statistics, visit: <https://www.ihf.com/en/events/2021/wm20>

G - goal
A - assist
U - unassisted goal
E - empty-net goal
P - power play goal

S - shorthanded goal
Pe - penalty shot goal
G/P/S/Pe* - game-winning goal
A* - assist on game-winning goal
- U.S. Player of the Game

W/L - goaltender win/loss
DNP - did not play
DND - did not dress
^ - exhibition game



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ROSTER DETAILS

HOME STATES (14)

Massachusetts	5
California	4
Minnesota	4
New York	2
Connecticut	1
Georgia	1
Illinois	1
Indiana	1
Michigan	1
Montana	1
North Dakota	1
New Jersey	1
Rhode Island	1
Wisconsin	1

AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT TIES+

NCAA	22
USHL	22
NTDP	15
BIOSTEEL ALL-AMERICAN GAME	20

+Includes players who have skated in multiple leagues

BY THE NUMBERS

Average Height	6ft 0in (183 cm)
Tallest	Kleven (6 ft 4in/193 cm)
Shortest	Caufield (5ft 8in/173 cm)
Average Weight	183 lbs (83 kg)
Heaviest	Stein (210 lbs/95 kg)
Lightest	Berard (152 lbs/69 kg)
Average Age	19 yrs 4mo
Oldest	Caufield (19yrs 11mo)
Youngest	Beniers (18yrs 1mo)
Shoot/Catch	Left: 17 Right: 8

2021 U.S. STAFF

POSITION	NAME
General Manager	John Vanbiesbrouck Detroit, Mich.
Player Personnel	Ryan Martin Novi, Mich.
Head Coach	Nate Leaman East Greenwich, R.I.
Assistant Coach	Ted Donato Scituate, Mass.
Assistant Coach	Kris Mayotte Pittsburgh, Pa.
Assistant Coach	Steve Miller Sun Prairie, Wis.
Video Coach	Theresa Feaster Providence, R.I.
Hockey Operations	Marc Boxer Colorado Springs, Colo.
Team Physician	Dr. Phil Johnson Fargo, N.D.
Athletic Trainer	Jason Hodges Plymouth, Mich.
Athletic Trainer	Stan Wong Boca Raton, Fla.
Equipment Manager	Scott Aldrich Hancock, Mich.
Equipment Manager	Nate LaPoint Eau Claire, Wisc.
Media Officer	Aaron Westendorf Divide, Colo.
Digital Content	Kyle Huson Colorado Springs, Colo.

SEASON STATISTICS

THROUGH DEC. 6

FORWARDS

NO	NAME	GP	G	A	PTS
9	Trevor Zegras	0	0	0	0
10	Matthew Beniers	8	3	3	6
	University of Michigan (Big Ten)				
12	Matthew Boldy	4	3	5	8
	Boston College (Hockey East)				
13	Cole Caufield	10	6	6	12
	University of Wisconsin (Big Ten)				
15	Alex Turcotte	0	0	0	0
18	Brendan Brisson	8	2	5	7
	University of Michigan (Big Ten)				
19	Patrick Moynihan	2	0	0	0
	Providence College (Hockey East)				
21	Brett Berard	2	0	0	0
	Providence College (Hockey East)				
22	Sam Colangelo	0	0	0	0
24	Bobby Brink	3	0	3	3
	University of Denver (NCHC)				
25	John Farinacci	6	4	4	8
	Muskegon Lumberjacks (USHL)				
26	Landon Slaggert	6	1	2	3
	University of Notre Dame (Big Ten)				
28	Arthur Kaliyev	0	0	0	0

DEFENSE

NO	NAME	GP	G	A	PTS
2	Drew Helleson	4	1	2	3
	Boston College (Hockey East)				
3	Henry Thrun	2	0	0	0
	Dubuque Fighting Saints (USHL)				
4	Cam York	8	2	3	5
	University of Michigan (Big Ten)				
5	Jackson LaCombe	6	0	2	2
	University of Minnesota (Big Ten)				
7	Tyler Kleven	3	1	0	1
	University of North Dakota (NCHC)				
8	Jake Sanderson	3	1	2	3
	University of North Dakota (NCHC)				
11	Brock Faber	6	1	0	1
	University of Minnesota (Big Ten)				
17	Hunter Skinner	0	0	0	0
23	Ryan Johnson	6	0	4	4
	University of Minnesota (Big Ten)				

GOALTENDERS

NO	NAME	GP	W-L-T-OTL	GAA	SV%
29	Logan Stein	0	0-0-0-0	0.00	--
	Ferris State University (WCHA)				
30	Spencer Knight	4	4-0-0-0	1.50	.955
	Boston College (Hockey East)				
32	Dustin Wolf	0	0-0-0-0	0.00	--
	Everett Silvertips (WHL)				

ABOUT THE STAFF

ABOUT VANBIESBROUCK

John Vanbiesbrouck is serving as general manager of the 2021 U.S. National Junior Team, marking his third straight season serving in the capacity including the 2019 silver-medal U.S. squad. The 2007 U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame inductee has previously represented the United States as a player on nine occasions, including one Olympic Winter Games (1998), two Canada Cups (1987, 1991), four men's world championships (1985, 1987, 1989, 1991) and two world junior championships (1982, 1983). A full-time employee of USA Hockey, Vanbiesbrouck began his duties as assistant executive director of hockey operations for USA Hockey on June 4, 2018. His responsibilities include oversight of all of USA Hockey's international efforts, including its men's, women's and sled programs as well as the National Junior Development Program.

ABOUT LEAMAN

Leaman has been a part of two previous U.S. National Junior Team coaching staffs, including as an assistant coach for the bronze medal-winning 2007 squad that competed in Leksand and Mora, Sweden. He also served as an assistant coach for the 2009 team that played in Ottawa, Ontario. Leaman made his USA Hockey coaching debut as an assistant coach in 2005 at the IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship, where the U.S. won gold in Ceske Budejovice and Plzen, Czech Republic. The 2020-21 campaign is Leaman's ninth as head coach at Providence College, where his Friars have advanced to the Frozen Four on two occasions in the last five years. During his tenure at Providence, Leaman has coached 26 NHL Draft picks in addition to six undrafted players currently under NHL contract. He has also coached three players selected to play for the U.S. National Junior Team: Jon Gillies (2014, 2013), Erik Foley (2017), and Parker Ford (2020). Gillies and Foley were both part of gold-medal winning teams. Prior to Providence, Leaman spent eight seasons (2003-11) at the helm of the Union College men's ice hockey team.

BEST OF THE BEST

Assistant coaches Ted Donato, Kris Mayotte and Steve Miller have an extensive NCAA resume, combining for more than 58 years of Division I coaching experience. The assistants have a combined nine international appearances with USA Hockey, including the 2017 gold-medal team in which Mayotte and Miller served as assistant coaches. Donato, making his USA Hockey coaching debut, was a member of Team USA in the 1992 Olympic Winter Games in Albertville, France. In addition, Donato played in three IIHF Men's World Championships, serving as captain in 1997 and also representing the U.S. at the event in 1999 and 2002. Ted's son Ryan Donato played on the bronze medal-winning 2016 U.S. National Junior Team, as well as the 2018 U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Team. Mayotte, Miller and Theresa Feaster all served on head coach Nate Leaman's staff when Providence won the 2015 NCAA championship.



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TEAM USA AMERICAN HOCKEY DEVELOPMENT TIES

USA HOCKEY'S AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT MODEL

The American Development Model, now in its 11th season, is USA Hockey's nationwide player development program for youth hockey associations. It's based on age-appropriate, age-specific competition and training for boys and girls, beginning with their first steps onto the ice and carrying them through age 18 and beyond. The ADM places a heightened emphasis on skill development and long-term athlete development principles, providing a blueprint for the best possible youth hockey experience.

At the younger age levels, it looks like fun and constant motion in small spaces. The ADM encourages station-based practices, small-area games and cross-ice competition to deliver more repetitions, more puck touches and more skill development per hour of ice time. It provides the most efficient, most engaging development path for children, keeping them both in the game and on a path toward their full potential.

U.S. PLAYERS AND THEIR YOUTH HOCKEY CONNECTIONS

PLAYER	ORGANIZATION	STATE
Matthew Beniers	Cape Cod Whalers Milton Academy	MA MA
Brett Berard	Cape Cod Whalers Bishop Hendricken	MA RI
Matthew Boldy	Cape Cod Whalers	MA
Bobby Brink	Minnetonka High	MN
Brendan Brisson	Shattuck St. Mary's Los Angeles Jr. Kings	MN CA
Cole Caufield	Team Wisconsin AAA Stevens Point High	WI WI
Sam Colangelo	Neponset Valley River Rats AAA Lawrence Academy	MA MA
Brock Faber	Minnesota Blades AAA	MN
John Farinacci	Dexter Southfield School Shattuck St. Mary's	MA MN
Drew Helleeson	Shattuck St. Mary's	MN
Ryan Johnson	Anaheim Jr. Ducks	CA
Arthur Kaliyev	Compuware Little Caesars	MI MI
Tyler Kleven	Minnesota North Stars AAA Fargo Davies High	MN ND
Spencer Knight	Mid Fairfield Rangers Avon Old Farms School	CT CT
Jackson LaCombe	Shattuck St. Mary's Minnesota Penguins	MN MN
Patrick Moynihan	Neponset Valley River Rats AAA Noble & Greenough School	MA MA
Jake Sanderson	Whitefish Glacier Avalanche	MT
Hunter Skinner	Honeybaked Belle Tire	MI MI
Landon Slaggert	Chicago Mission	IL
Logan Stein	Oakland Jr. Grizzlies TPH Thunder	MI TN
Henry Thrun	Neponset Valley River Rats AAA	MA
Alex Turcotte	Chicago Mission Chicago Young Americans	IL IL
Dustin Wolf	Los Angeles Jr. Kings	CA
Cam York	Shattuck St. Mary's	MN
Trevor Zegras	Mid Fairfield Rangers Avon Old Farms School	CT CT

NATIONAL TEAM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (15)

Based at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth, Mich., USA Hockey's National Team Development Program includes the U.S. National Under-17 and Under-18 Teams that compete in the United States Hockey League and against NCAA Division I and international opponents.

PLAYER	POSITION	YEAR(S)
Matthew Beniers	Forward	2018-20
Brett Berard	Forward	2018-20
Matthew Boldy	Forward	2017-19
Cole Caufield	Forward	2017-19
Brock Faber	Defense	2018-20
Drew Helleeson	Defense	2017-19
Tyler Kleven	Defense	2018-20
Spencer Knight	Goaltender	2017-19
Patrick Moynihan	Forward	2017-19
Jake Sanderson	Defense	2018-20
Landon Slaggert	Forward	2018-20
Henry Thrun	Defense	2017-19
Alex Turcotte	Forward	2017-19
Cam York	Defense	2017-19
Trevor Zegras	Forward	2017-19

BIOSTEEL ALL-AMERICAN GAME (20)

The BioSteel All-American Game, formerly known as the USA Hockey All-American Prospects Game, is an annual event that provides the best U.S. players eligible for next year's NHL Draft the opportunity to showcase their skills on a national stage.

PLAYER	POSITION	YEAR	LOCATION
Matthew Beniers	Forward	2020	Plymouth, Mich.
Brett Berard	Forward	2020	Plymouth, Mich.
Matthew Boldy*	Forward	2018	Saint Paul, Minn.
Brendan Brisson	Forward	2020	Plymouth, Mich.
Cole Caufield	Forward	2018	Saint Paul, Minn.
Sam Colangelo	Forward	2020	Plymouth, Mich.
Brock Faber	Defense	2020	Plymouth, Mich.
John Farinacci	Forward	2018	Saint Paul, Minn.
Drew Helleeson	Defense	2018	Saint Paul, Minn.
Arthur Kaliyev	Forward	2018	Saint Paul, Minn.
Tyler Kleven	Defense	2020	Plymouth, Mich.
Spencer Knight	Goaltender	2018	Saint Paul, Minn.
Jake Sanderson*	Defense	2020	Plymouth, Mich.
Landon Slaggert	Forward	2020	Plymouth, Mich.
Logan Stein	Goaltender	2020	Plymouth, Mich.
Henry Thrun	Defense	2018	Saint Paul, Minn.
Alex Turcotte	Forward	2018	Saint Paul, Minn.
Dustin Wolf	Goaltender	2018	Saint Paul, Minn.
Cam York	Defense	2018	Saint Paul, Minn.
Trevor Zegras	Forward	2018	Saint Paul, Minn.

*named game MVP

USHL/NHL TOP PROSPECTS GAME (3)

The USHL/NHL Top Prospects Game was an annual event hosted by the USHL that provided its best players eligible for next year's NHL Draft the opportunity to showcase their skills on a national stage. Beginning last season, the USHL sends its top American prospects to the BioSteel All-American Game at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth, Mich.

PLAYER	POSITION	YEAR	LOCATION
Ryan Johnson	Defense	2019	Lincoln, Neb.
Hunter Skinner	Defense	2019	Lincoln, Neb.
Logan Stein	Goaltender	2019	Lincoln, Neb.



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OTHER ROSTER TIDBITS

UNITED STATES HOCKEY LEAGUE (22)

A total of 22 players have ties to the United States Hockey League (USHL), the only Tier I junior hockey league in the United States.

PLAYER	LEAGUE	TEAM	YEAR(S)
Bobby Brink	USHL	Sioux City Musketeers	2017-19
Brendan Brisson	USHL	Chicago Steel	2019-20
Sam Colangelo	USHL	Green Bay Gamblers	2018-19
John Farinacci	USHL	Chicago Steel	2018-20
Ryan Johnson	USHL	Muskegon Lumberjacks	2020-21
Hunter Skinner	USHL	Sioux Falls Stampede	2018-19
Logan Stein	USHL	Lincoln Stars	2018-19
Henry Thrun	USHL	Muskegon Lumberjacks	2017-19
9 NTDP players	USHL	Waterloo Black Hawks	2018-20
6 NTDP players	USHL	Dubuque Fighting Saints	2020-21
	USHL	USA Hockey's NTDP	2017-19
	USHL	USA Hockey's NTDP	2018-20

NOTE: Sam Colangelo and Brendan Brisson were part of the 2020 Anderson Cup, awarded to the regular season champions of the USHL, Chicago Steel. Ryan Johnson won the league's title with the Sioux Falls Stampede in 2019, collecting the Clark Cup against the Chicago Steel.

NHL RIGHTS (23)

Twenty-two players have been drafted by an NHL team.

PLAYER	NHL RIGHTS	DRAFT YEAR	ROUND	OVERALL
Alex Turcotte	LAK	2019	1st	5th
Jake Sanderson	OTT	2020	1st	5th
Trevor Zegras	ANA	2019	1st	9th
Matthew Boldy	MIN	2019	1st	12th
Spencer Knight	FLA	2019	1st	13th
Cam York	PHI	2019	1st	14th
Cole Caufield	MTL	2019	1st	15th
Brendan Brisson	VGK	2020	1st	29th
Ryan Johnson	BUF	2019	1st	31st
Arthur Kaliyev	LAK	2019	2nd	33rd
Bobby Brink	PHI	2019	2nd	34th
Sam Colangelo	ANA	2020	2nd	36th
Jackson LaCombe	ANA	2019	2nd	39th
Tyler Kleven	OTT	2020	2nd	44th
Brock Faber	LAK	2020	2nd	45th
Drew Helleeson	COL	2019	2nd	47th
John Farinacci	ARI	2019	3rd	76th
Landon Slaggert	CHI	2020	3rd	79th
Henry Thrun	ANA	2019	4th	101st
Hunter Skinner	NYR	2019	4th	112th
Brett Berard	NYR	2020	5th	134th
Patrick Moynihan	NJD	2019	6th	158th
Dustin Wolf	CGY	2019	7th	214th

COLLEGE HOCKEY (22)

A total of 22 players are currently playing or previously played college hockey in the United States.

SCHOOL	PLAYERS
Boston College	3
University of Michigan	3
University of Minnesota	3
Harvard University	2
Providence College	2
University of North Dakota	2
University of Wisconsin	2
Boston University	1
Ferris State University	1
Northeastern University	1
University of Denver	1
University of Notre Dame	1
CONFERENCE	PLAYERS
Big Ten	9
Hockey East	7
NCHC	3
ECAC	2
WCHA	1

IIHF WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP (8)

PLAYER	POSITION	YEAR	FINISH
Bobby Brink	Forward	2020	6th
Cole Caufield	Forward	2020	6th
Arthur Kaliyev	Forward	2020	6th
Spencer Knight	Goaltender	2019	Silver
Alex Turcotte	Forward	2020	6th
Dustin Wolf	Goaltender	2020	6th
Cam York	Defense	2020	6th
Trevor Zegras	Forward	2020	6th

IIHF UNDER-18 MEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (11)

PLAYER	POSITION	YEAR	FINISH
Matthew Beniers	Forward	2019	Bronze
Matthew Boldy	Forward	2019	Bronze
Bobby Brink	Forward	2019	Bronze
Cole Caufield	Forward	2019	Bronze
Drew Helleeson	Defense	2018	Silver
Spencer Knight	Goaltender	2019	Bronze
Patrick Moynihan	Forward	2019	Bronze
Henry Thrun	Defense	2019	Bronze
Alex Turcotte	Forward	2019	Bronze
Cam York	Defense	2018	Silver
Trevor Zegras	Forward	2019	Bronze

NOTE: Cam York set tournament records for all-time tournament points by a defenseman (17) and all-time tournament assists by a defenseman (13). York was named to the tournament all-star team. Cole Caufield led the 2019 tournament in goals scored (14), tying Alex Ovechkin's individual tournament record.

WORLD JUNIOR A CHALLENGE (5)

PLAYER	POSITION	YEAR	FINISH
Bobby Brink	Forward	2018	First
Brendan Brisson	Forward	2019	Third
Sam Colangelo	Forward	2019	Third
Ryan Johnson	Defense	2018	First
Logan Stein	Goaltender	2019	Third

NOTE: At the 2018 event, Bobby Brink led the team in points en route to winning tournament MVP honors.

HLINKA GRETZKY CUP (5)

PLAYER	POSITION	YEAR	FINISH
Sam Colangelo	Forward	2018	Fourth
John Farinacci	Forward	2018	Fourth
Arthur Kaliyev	Forward	2018	Fourth
Jackson LaCombe	Defense	2018	Fourth
Dustin Wolf	Goaltender	2018	Fourth

NOTE: John Farinacci served as team captain at the 2018 Hlinka Gretzky Cup.

USA HOCKEY PLAYER DEVELOPMENT CAMPS (24)

PLAYER	POSITION	PDC
Matthew Beniers	Forward	S15
Brett Berard	Forward	S15
Matthew Boldy	Forward	S15
Bobby Brink	Forward	S16
Brendan Brisson	Forward	S16, S17
Cole Caufield	Forward	S15
Sam Colangelo	Forward	S16, S17
Brock Faber	Defense	S15
John Farinacci	Forward	S15, S16, S17
Drew Helleeson	Defense	S15
Ryan Johnson	Defense	S15, S16
Arthur Kaliyev	Forward	S15, S16, S17
Tyler Kleven	Defense	S15
Spencer Knight	Goaltender	S15
Jackson LaCombe	Defense	S17
Patrick Moynihan	Forward	S15
Hunter Skinner	Defense	S17
Landon Slaggert	Forward	S15
Logan Stein	Goaltender	S15, S16, S17
Henry Thrun	Defense	S15
Alex Turcotte	Forward	S15
Dustin Wolf	Goaltender	S15, S17
Cam York	Defense	S15
Trevor Zegras	Forward	S15



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U.S. OUTLOOK AT 2021 IHF WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

2020 U.S. GROUP B OPPONENTS



RUSSIA

FRI., DEC. 25

7:30 P.M. LOCAL

L, 3-5

Series vs. Russia: 9-1-0-13-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T)

Of Note: Trevor Zegras scored PPG to make game 4-3, prior to Russia ENG

RECAP: Cam York scored a goal and assist en route to being named U.S. Player of the Game. Trevor Zegras scored a power play goal, his first career IIHF goal, to make the game 4-3 in the final minutes. However, Russia scored an empty-net goal to make the final 5-3.



AUSTRIA

SAT., DEC. 26

7:30 P.M. LOCAL

W, 11-0

Series vs. Austria: 3-0-0-0-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T)

Of Note: 16 different players scored points, as Dustin Wolf earned the shutout.

RECAP: 16 different players picked up a point, with seven different goal scorers in the 11-0 victory. Matthew Boldy scored a hat trick, while Trevor Zegras led all players with four points. Dustin Wolf recorded the shutout, stopping all 10 Austrian shots. The U.S. outshot Austria 73-10.



CZECH REPUBLIC

TUES., DEC. 29

NOON LOCAL

W, 7-0

Series vs. Czech Republic: 13-2-1-7-1 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T)

Of Note: Trevor Zegras scored five points, Spencer Knight earned the shutout.

RECAP: Bobby Brink started an offensive surge for Team USA, as Trevor Zegras went on to score two goals and three assists to lead the American offensive attack. Spencer Knight stopped all 22 shots he faced. Cam York tallied three assists.



SWEDEN

THUR., DEC. 31

7:30 P.M. LOCAL

W, 4-0

Series vs. Sweden: 14-1-1-16-2 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T)

Of Note: Spencer Knight stopped all 27 SWE shots for his 2nd shutout

RECAP: Behind a 27-save performance from Spencer Knight and a goal and two assists from Trevor Zegras, the U.S. earned a 4-0 victory over Sweden in its final preliminary round game of the 2021 World Junior Championship, earning the first-place seed in Group B.

U.S. WJC PLAYOFF HISTORY

Quarterfinal Record: 11-0-0-8 (W-OTW-OTL-L)

Last QF: L, 1-0 vs. Finland (2020)

The U.S. had its four-game win streak snapped in quarterfinal play last year against Finland. Despite out-shooting Finland 30-29, the U.S. lost 1-0 on a power play goal, with Spencer Knight stopping 28 of 29 shots.

Semifinal Record: 5-1-1-8 (W-OTW-OTL-L)

Last SF: W, 2-1 vs. Russia (2019)

Team USA has reached the semifinal in four of the last five IIHF World Junior Championships, its best stretch since earning six-straight semifinal berths from 2003-08. In its last semifinal, Cayden Primeau stopped 34 of 35 Russian shots in a 2-1 U.S. win while Oliver Wahlstrom scored one goal.

Bronze-Medal Games: 4-0-2-3 (W-OTW-OTL-L)

Total Bronze Medals: 6 ('86, '92, '07, '11, '16, '18)

Last BMG: W, 9-3 vs. Czech Republic (2018)

The United States has won four of its last five bronze-medal game meetings. In 2018, Trent Frederic netted four goals and Kieffer Bellows scored as the U.S. topped the Czech Republic, 9-3.

Gold-Medal Games: 2-2-0-2 (W-OTW-OTL-L)

Total Gold Medals: 4 ('04, '10, '13, '17)

Last GMG: L, 2-3 vs. Finland (2019)

Since 2010, the U.S. and Finland have combined for six gold medals at the IIHF World Junior Championship, including three by the U.S. (2010, 2013, 2017). In 2019, Finland scored with 1:26 left in regulation to break a 2-2 tie and secure the victory.

U.S. WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY AT A GLANCE

ALL-TIME RECORD VS. OPPONENT

Opponent	GP	W	OTW	OTL	L	T	GF	GA
Austria	2	2	0	0	0	0	15	2
Belarus	4	3	0	0	0	0	23	11
Canada	47	8	3	3	30	3	135	191
Czech Republic	24	13	2	1	7	1	86	67
Czechoslovakia	16	4	0	0	12	0	51	90
Denmark	3	3	0	0	0	0	24	4
Finland	35	13	3	0	18	1	132	150
Germany	12	11	0	1	0	0	71	17
West Germany	13	10	0	0	3	0	80	45
Japan	1	1	0	0	0	0	12	2
Kazakhstan	5	5	0	0	0	0	42	6
Latvia	3	3	0	0	0	0	30	4
Norway	6	5	0	0	1	0	62	17
Poland	5	3	0	0	1	0	29	12
Russia	22	9	1	0	12	0	55	72
Soviet Union	12	1	0	0	11	0	32	76
Slovakia	18	13	0	0	4	1	77	40
Switzerland	23	21	0	0	0	2	131	45
Sweden	34	14	1	1	16	2	114	126
Switzerland	23	21	0	0	0	2	131	45
Ukraine	2	0	0	0	2	0	5	7
TOTAL	287	142	10	6	118	11	1206	981

ALL-TIME RECORD IN PLAYOFFS

Opponent	QF	SF	BMG	GMG	Total
Canada	0-1	1-4	0-1	3-1	5-7
Czech Republic	5-1	1-1	1-1	NA	7-3
Finland	2-1	1-0	0-2	0-1	3-4
Russia	1-3	2-3	0-1	NA	3-7
Slovakia	0-1	NA	NA	NA	0-1
Sweden	2-1	1-1	3-0	1-0	7-2
Switzerland	1-0	NA	NA	NA	NA
Total	11-8	6-9	4-5	4-2	25-24

ALL-TIME MEDALS AT WORLD JUNIORS

Year	Location	Head Coach	Record	Medal
2019	Vancouver, Canada	Mike Hastings	5-0-1-1	Silver
2018	Buffalo, N.Y.	Bob Motzko	4-1-0-2	Bronze
2017	Montreal/Toronto, Canada	Bob Motzko	5-2-0-0	Gold
2016	Helinski, Finland	Ron Wilson	5-0-0-2	Bronze
2013	Ufa, Russia	Phil Housley	5-0-0-2	Gold
2011	Buffalo/Niagara, N.Y.	Keith Allain	5-0-0-1	Bronze
2010	Regina/Saskatoon, Canada	Dean Blais	5-1-1-0	Gold
2007	Leksand/Mora, Sweden	Ron Rolston	3-1-2-1	Bronze
2004	Helsinki/Hameenlinna, Finland	Mike Eaves	6-0-0*	Gold
1997	Geneva/Morges, Switzerland	Jeff Jackson	4-1-1*	Silver
1992	Fussen/Kaufbeuren, Germany	Walt Kyle	5-2-0*	Bronze
1986	Hamilton, Canada	Dave Peterson	4-3-0*	Bronze
TOTAL		4 Gold	2 Silver	6 Bronze

*Win-Loss-Tie

U.S. IN PREVIOUS 10 WORLD JUNIORS

Year	Location	Head Coach	Record	Finish
2020	Ostrava/Trinec, Czech Republic	Scott Sandelin	2-1-0-2	Sixth
2019	Vancouver, Canada	Mike Hastings	5-0-1-1	Silver
2018	Buffalo, N.Y.	Bob Motzko	4-1-0-2	Bronze
2017	Montreal/Toronto, Canada	Bob Motzko	5-2-0-0	Gold
2016	Helinski, Finland	Ron Wilson	5-0-0-2	Bronze
2015	Montreal/Toronto, Canada	Mark Osiecki	2-1-0-2	Fifth
2014	Malmo, Sweden	Don Lucia	3-0-0-2	Fifth
2013	Ufa, Russia	Phil Housley	5-0-0-2	Gold
2012	Calgary, Edmonton, Canada	Dean Blais	4-0-3-0	Seventh
2011	Buffalo/Niagara, N.Y.	Keith Allain	5-0-0-1	Bronze
TOTAL		2 Gold	1 Silver	3 Bronze



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U.S. RECORDS

GOALS (SINGLE TOURNAMENT)

RANK	PLAYER	YEAR	GP	G
1	Kieffer Bellows	2018	7	9
2	Jeremy Roenick	1989	7	8
3	Colin White	2017	7	7
	Auston Matthews	2016	7	7
	Johnny Gaudreau	2013	7	7
	Chris Borque	2006	7	7
	Peter Ferraro	1993	7	7
	Scott Young	1987	7	7
	Mark Green	1978	6	7
10	21 different players			6

ASSISTS (SINGLE TOURNAMENT)

RANK	PLAYER	YEAR	GP	A
1	Doug Weight	1991	7	14
2	Derek Stepan	2010	7	10
	Phil Kessel	2006	7	10
4	Trevor Zegras	2021	5	9
	Trevor Zegras	2020	4	9
	Pat Peake	1993	7	9
	Mike Modano	1989	7	9
	Alfie Turcotte	1984	7	9
	Bobby Crawford	1978	6	9
10	6 different players			

POINTS (SINGLE TOURNAMENT)

RANK	PLAYER	YEAR	GP	PTS
1	Doug Weight	1991	7	19
2	Jeremy Roenick	1989	7	16
3	Trevor Zegras	2021	5	15
	Mike Modano	1989	7	15
5	Derek Stepan	2010	7	14
6	Pat Peake	1993	7	13
	Bobby Crawford	1978	6	13
8	Jerry D'Amigo	2010	7	12
	Ted Drury	1991	8	12
	Trent Klatt	1991	8	12
	Mark Green	1978	6	12

WINS (SINGLE TOURNAMENT)

RANK	PLAYER	YEAR	GP	W
1	Al Montoya	2004	6	6
2	Tyler Parsons	2017	5	5
	John Gibson	2013	7	5
	Jack Campbell	2011	6	5
	Rick DiPietro	2001	6	5
7	Mike Dunham	1992	6	5
	Cayden Primeau	2019	5	4
	Alex Nedeljkovic	2016	6	4
	Mike Lee	2010	5	4
	Jeremy Smith	2008	6	4
	Jeff Frazee	2007	5	4
	Rob Geopfert	2003	7	4
	Jason Bacashihua	2002	7	4
	Brian Boucher	1997	6	4
	Paul Joswiak	1978	6	4

GAA (SINGLE TOURNAMENT)

RANK	PLAYER	YEAR	MIN	GAA
1	Al Montoya	2004	360	1.17
2	Rick DiPietro	2001	359	1.33
3	John Gibson	2013	398	1.36
4	Brian Boucher	1997	357	1.51
5	Cayden Primeau	2019	298	1.61
6	Alex Nedeljkovic	2016	325	1.66
7	Jean-Marc Pelletier	1998	180	1.67
8	Spencer Knight	2021	212	1.70
	Jack Campbell	2011	353	1.70
10	Jeff Frazee	2007	313	1.72

*minimum 180 minutes played
bold = active

SHUTOUTS (SINGLE TOURNAMENT)

RANK	PLAYER	YEAR	GP	SO
1	Spencer Knight	2021	3	2
	Al Montoya	2004	6	2
	Brian Boucher	1997	6	2
4	Dustin Wolf	2021	1	1
	Joseph Woll	2018	5	1
	Alex Nedeljkovic	2016	6	1
	Thatcher Demko	2015	4	1
	Brandon Halverson	2015	1	1
	Anthony Stolarz	2014	1	1
	John Gibson	2013	7	1
	Jack Campbell	2010	3	1
	Thomas McCollum	2009	5	1
	Rick DiPietro	2001	6	1
	Rick DiPietro	2000	5	1
	Mike Heinke	1991	4	1

GOALS (CAREER)

RANK	PLAYER	YEAR(S)	GP	G
1	Jeremy Roenick	1988-89	14	13
2	James van Riemsdyk	2007-09	19	12
3	Kieffer Bellows	2017-18	14	11
	Brian Gionta	1998-99	13	11
5	7 different players			10

ASSISTS (CAREER)

RANK	PLAYER	YEAR(S)	GP	A
1	Jordan Schroeder	2008-10	19	20
2	Trevor Zegras	2020-21	9	18
3	Doug Weight	1991	7	14
4	Kyle Palmieri	2010-11	13	12
	Phil Kessel	2005-06	14	12
	Jeremy Roenick	1988-89	14	12

POINTS (CAREER)

RANK	PLAYER	YEAR(S)	GP	PTS
1	Jordan Schroeder	2008-10	19	27
2	Jeremy Roenick	1988-89	14	25
3	Trevor Zegras	2020-21	9	24
4	James van Riemsdyk	2007-09	19	22
5	Brian Rolston	1991-93	21	20
	Mike Modano	1988-89	14	20

WINS (CAREER)

RANK	PLAYER	YEAR(S)	GP	WINS
1	Jack Campbell	2010-12	14	10
2	Al Montoya	2004-05	12	9
3	Rick DiPietro	2000-01	11	7
4	Brian Boucher	1996-97	10	6
	Mike Dunham	1991-92	9	6

MIN (CAREER)

RANK	PLAYER	YEAR(S)	MIN
1	Alan Perry	1984-86	968:40
2	Jack Campbell	2010-12	816:46
3	Al Montoya	2004-05	753:15
4	Rick DiPietro	2000-01	658:40
5	Brian Boucher	1996-97	577:00

SHUTOUTS (CAREER)

RANK	PLAYER	YEAR	SO
1	Spencer Knight	2020-21	2
	Rick DiPietro	2000-01	2
	Al Montoya	2004-05	2
	Brian Boucher	1996-97	2
5	11 different players		1

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER

PLAYER	POSITION	YEAR
Ryan Poehling	Forward	2019
Casey Mittelstadt	Forward	2018
John Gibson	Goaltender	2013
Zach Parise	Forward	2004



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USA HOCKEY HAPPENINGS

2021 HOCKEY WEEK ACROSS AMERICA

USA Hockey's yearly nationwide initiative Hockey Week Across America, now in its 14th year, will take place from Feb. 15-21, 2021. The daily themes will include salutes to players (Feb. 15), coaches (Feb. 16), officials (Feb. 17) and local rinks (Feb. 18) followed by the traditional themed days of Wear Your Favorite Hockey Jersey Day (Feb. 19), Try Hockey Day (Feb. 20) and Celebrate Local Hockey Heroes (Feb. 21). For more information on the week-long celebration, visit HockeyWeekAcrossAmerica.com.

2020 U.S. HOCKEY HALL OF FAME INDUCTION

Dean Blais, Tony Granato, Jenny Potter and Jerry York were enshrined into the United States Hockey Hall of Fame as the Class of 2020. Blais (International Falls, Minn.) cut a wide trail of lofty accomplishments through every level of the game. He is one of America's most accomplished coaches, with his 40-year career behind the bench highlighted by leading teams to signature moments at the high school, junior and collegiate levels as well as on the international stage. Granato (Downers Grove, Ill.) not only had an exceptional playing career, but since his playing days has continued to make positive contributions to hockey as a coach at the NHL, collegiate and international levels. Following his college career, Granato spent the 1987-88 season with the U.S. Men's National Team and ultimately represented the U.S. in the 1988 Olympic Winter Games, one of seven times he donned the red, white and blue as a player on the international stage. Potter (Edina, Minn.), a 14-time medalist on the international stage whose U.S. Women's National Team career spanned 15 seasons, is one of the most decorated players in the history of women's ice hockey in the United States. Highlighting her career were four appearances in the Olympic Winter Games, including helping Team USA to a gold medal at the 1998 Games in Nagano, Japan. She is one of only three U.S. women's players to compete in four Olympics. York (Watertown, Mass.) continues today to leave an impact on American hockey that will positively affect the game for generations to come. He enters his 27th season as head coach of the Boston College men's ice hockey program in 2020-21, and has guided the Eagles to four NCAA championships (2001, 2008, 2010, 2012), four national runner-up finishes, and 12 NCAA Frozen Four appearances. He is the NCAA's all-time leader in NCAA Tournament wins. In addition, York's teams have seized 11 Hockey East regular-season titles and nine Hockey East Tournament titles. Over the course of his BC coaching career, York has guided his teams to winning records in 22 of 26 seasons to date, including in 22 of the past 23 campaigns. He has coached two Hobey Baker Award winners and 18 NHL first round draft picks.

MEMBERSHIP RELIEF FUND

The USA Hockey Foundation has launched a new initiative--the Membership Relief Fund--to assist families who are facing financial hardship by covering the cost of their child's USA Hockey membership for the 2020-21 season. The goal of this campaign is to help at least 5,000 youth players back to the ice. USA Hockey is still currently accepting grant applications and donations. For more information, visit USAHockeyFoundation.com.

RAISE THE FLAG AUCTION

The USA Hockey Foundation has organized an online effort with a goal of \$100,000 to raise proceeds to support USA Hockey's efforts in preparation for the upcoming 2022 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games. Current items include suite seats for a Minnesota Wild game with GM Bill Guerin, a 1980 U.S. Olympics Men's Ice Hockey "Miracle" canvas painting, and more! For more information, visit USAHockeyFoundation.com.

COVID PREVENTION

USA Hockey continues to work with medical experts, local governments and hockey organizations to focus on COVID-19 risk mitigation throughout the hockey community. Leaders continue to emphasize the importance of parents, coaches, volunteers and players working together in order to combat the spread of COVID-19. Everyone can do their part by following four easy steps: follow state and local health guidelines, wash your hands with soap and water frequently, sanitize equipment after each use and wearing a mask properly over your nose and mouth. For more information visit USAHockey.com/playersafety.

YOUTH NATIONALS

For the first time since 1938, USA Hockey was forced to cancel USA Hockey National Championships in 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. However, USA Hockey continues to plan for the 2021 Youth National Championships, presented by Chipotle. Notable championship alumni include U.S. National Junior Team forward **Arthur Kaliyev, Cammi Granato, Phil and Amanda Kessel, Kendall Coyne Schofield, Joe Pavelski, Troy Terry**, and many more. Youth Tier I age groups include 14U, 15U, 16U and 18U, in addition to Youth Tier II and High School. Many players on this year's roster have competed in district and national championships previously in their careers.

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT CAMPS

USA Hockey continues to utilize Player Development Camps in order to evaluate top talent across the nation. District camps allow for a diverse representation, coast to coast, of hockey players around the country. 24 of the 25 players on this year's U.S. National Junior Team attended at least one USA Hockey Player Development camp, with many playing in the Select-15 camp. Many top players from the S-15 camp go on to play for the U.S. National Team Development Program. Select camps also assist USA Hockey staff to evaluate national talent for international competition, including the Hlinka Gretzky Memorial Cup. Five players on this year's National Junior Team previously played in the 2018 Hlinka Gretzky Cup, which was hosted at Rogers Place in Edmonton, Alberta, and Red Deer, Alberta.

USA HOCKEY'S NATIONAL TEAM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Founded in 1996, USA Hockey's National Team Development Program began operations in Ann Arbor, Mich., and remained there until the summer of 2015. The full-time program is composed of two squads, the U.S. National Under-18 Team and U.S. National Under-17 Team, who compete in the USHL as well as against international and collegiate competition.

The Under-17 Team competes in the United States Hockey League and also participates in three international events annually. The U.S. National Under-18 Team's schedule includes games against NCAA Division I and III opponents, USHL teams as well as competition in three international tournaments.

USA HOCKEY ARENA

USA Hockey Arena is a two-sheet facility with regulation ice (85x200) in the main arena and Olympic-size ice (100x200) for the secondary sheet. Acquired by the USA Hockey Foundation on April 1, 2015, the facility has added 20,000 square feet to the property that includes a 9,800-square-foot workout facility, additional offices and a conference center. In total, the facility encompasses 170,000 square feet with the main rink providing 3,504 seats for hockey games and 4,500 seats for other performances and events.