

# High School Hockey Information

Two High School Hockey Leagues in Central Ohio:

## OSHL

*Ohio Scholastic Hockey League*



Open to all players regardless of attendance OSHL  
“Club” Hockey = More than 1 High School  
Varsity and JV teams

## OHSAA

*Ohio High School Athletic Association*



Open to only schools OHSAA registered Open to only  
players of that school district OHSAA Hockey = 1 High  
School  
Varsity and JV teams

**Travel Hockey is also available for players:**

example: “AAA” Ohio Blue Jackets - <https://www.aabluejackets.com/>

- 1) **Eligibility** - *Must be a high school student (Public, Private, Homeschooled, etc.)*
  - a. High School is based on grade level (9th-12th), a change from USA Hockey normal understanding of youth hockey by “Birth Year” - This affects some 2nd year Bantam players.
  - b. Not every high school has a OHSAA School sponsored team
  - c. Central Ohio has a designated OSHL league team based on geography (see bottom of next page)
  - d. If your home school district has an OHSAA team - option to play OHSAA or OSHL
  - e. If your home school district does not have an OHSAA team you can play OSHL, but you cannot play OHSAA.
  - f. You cannot play in both leagues (OHSAA & USA Hockey rostering rules)

## 2) Season

- a. OSHL Teams ~ Sept 1st - Mid March - (League, State and National Championship Tournament for State Winner, All Star game) - Normally 55-60 Games, no Maximum
- b. OHSAA ~ Nov 1st - Feb 28th - (League and State Tournament - States can go into March) - Maximum of 35 regular season games

## 3) OSHL Assignment

- a. If a new player entering the league resides in one member organization's assigned district, and attends (or will be attending) school in another, they shall notify the league of which of the two organizations they wish to try out.
- b. A new player coming into the OSHL after the start of the regular season will go to their assigned member organizations teams. If the assigned team does not place them on a team, they go to the player pool.
- c. The Player Pool consists of players who do not live within an assigned school district (i.e. maybe live far outside of metro Columbus), players who were released, or cut from their assigned organizations tryouts.
- d. The President shall make such assignments, subject to approval of the board.

### **OSHL's Mission:**

We encourage all high school athletes to play in a safe, positive, and competitive environment to enjoy playing the game and growth of the sport in Central Ohio.

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**PLAYER DISTRIBUTION - OSHL School District Map Boundaries**

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