## **2019 UNDER-18 FIVE NATIONS TOURNAMENT**

CZECH REPUBLIC, FINLAND, RUSSIA, SWEDEN, UNITED STATES || FEB. 5-9 || SOCHI, RUSSIA

#### 2019 U18 FIVE NATIONS TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

DATE	MATCHUP	TIME/RESULT			
Tue., Feb. 5	Finland vs. Czech Republic	CZE 6, FIN 3			
Tue., Feb. 5	Russia vs. Sweden	RUS 3, SWE 0			
Wed., Feb. 6	USA vs. Sweden	SWE 7, USA 5			
Wed., Feb. 6	Russia vs. Czech Republic	RUS 5, CZE 1			
Thu., Feb. 7	Czech Republic vs. Sweden	7 a.m. ET			
Thu., Feb. 7	USA vs. Finland	10:30 a.m. ET			
Fri., Feb. 8	USA vs. Czech Republic	7 a.m. ET			
Fri., Feb. 8	Russia vs. Finland	10:30 a.m. ET			
Sat., Feb. 9	Sweden vs. Finland	7 a.m. ET			
Sat., Feb. 9	USA vs. Russia	10:30 p.m. ET			
USA games in bold					

### 2019 U18 FIVE NATIONS TOURNAMENT STANDINGS

Livestream available at YouTube.com/user/HockeyFederation

Live stats at USAHockeyNTDP.com/U18FiveNations2019

TEAM	PLACE	PTS	w	L	T	GF	GA
Russia	1st	6	2	0	0	8	1
Czech Republic	2nd	3	1	1	0	7	8
Sweden	3rd	3	1	1	0	7	8
USA	4th	0	0	1	0	5	7
<u>Finland</u>	5th	0	0	1	0	3	6

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#### **TOURNAMENT WEBSITE**

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### TALKING POINTS

#### **USA VS. FINLAND**

The U.S. National Under-18 Team squares off against Finland in its second game of the 2019 Under-18 Five Nations Tournament at 10:30 a.m. ET in Sochi, Russia.

The NTDP's 2001 birth-year group suffered its first defeat on the international stage in its Five Nations opener with a 7-5 loss to Sweden. The current U18s posted a spotless record through their first four international events — Fall Under-18 Five Nations Cup, Under-17 Five Nations, Under-17 Four Nations and the World Under-17 Hockey Challenge.

Five players recorded goals for Team USA in its loss to Sweden, including third-period tallies from Cole Caufield (Stevens Point, Wis.) and **Trevor** Zegras (Bedford, N.Y.). However, the Swedes equalized with four minutes to play and scored the eventual gamewinner on a 5-on-3 advantage in the final minute of regulation.

Owen Lindmark (Naperville, Ill.), **Ryder Rolston** (Birmingham, Mich.) and **Alex Turcotte** (Island Lake, Ill.) scored the first three goals for the U18s.

The U.S. National Under-18 Team last faced Finland at the Under-18 Five Nations Cup in Kravaře, Czech Republic. Team USA secured a 3-2 win to capture first place at the event.

Finland dropped a 6-3 decision to the Czech Republic in its opening matchup at the 2019 Under-18 Five Nations Tournament.

The Finns trailed by just one goal after 20 minutes, but allowed three unanswered tallies over the final two periods. Michal Teply delivered a hat trick for the Czechs, while Adam Rask scored a pair of goals.

Finland entered the tournament

after a second-place finish at the Five Nations Cup in Kravaře. The Finns compiled a 3-0-0 (W-L-OTL) record through preliminary-round play before they fell to Team USA in the first-place matchup.

Patrik Puistola (4-1-5), Antti Tuomisto (0-5-5) and Tuukka Tieksola (0-5-5) paced the Finns with five points apiece at the event. NHL's Central Scouting Bureau slotted Tuomisto at No. 15 in its midterm rankings of European skaters. Puistola is ranked No. 28.

Finnish goaltender Roope Taponen led all netminders with a .931 save percentage. Taponen is ranked as the No. 7 European goaltender by Central Scoutina.

#### **PLAYER ADDITION**

Josh Groll (San Diego, Calif.) will join the U.S. National Under-18 Team for the 2019 Under-18 Five Nations Tournament.

Groll is a first-year member of the Chicago Steel (USHL) and owns six goals and 11 points across 35 games. The 5-foot-10, 174-pound forward is committed to the University of Michigan.

#### **CENTRAL SCOUTING RANKINGS**

Twenty players currently on the U.S. National Under-18 Team roster and two former NTDP players were named to the National Hockey League Central Scouting Bureau's Midterm Rankings for the 2019 NHL Entry Draft.

Players listed as possible first-round selections include forwards **Jack** Hughes (Orlando, Fla.) at No. 1, Alex Turcotte (Island Lake, III.) at No. 5, Matthew Boldy (Millis, Mass.) at No. 6, Trevor Zegras (Bedford, N.Y.) at No. 7, defenseman Cam York (Anaheim Hills, Calif.) at No. 12, forward Cole Caufield (Stevens Point, Wis.) at No. 15 and defenseman Alex Vlasic (Wilmette, Ill.) at No. 25.

### TALKING POINTS CONTINUED ...

In addition, goaltender **Spencer Knight** (Darien, Conn.) is rated as the topranked North American prospect among eligible goaltenders and **Cameron Rowe** (Wilmette, Ill.) is rated fourth.

Skaters rated in the second round include defensemen Henry Thrun (Southborough, Mass.) at No. 32, Drew Helleson (Farmington, Minn.) at No. 33, Marshall Warren (Laurel Hollow, N.Y.) at No. 39 and Case McCarthy (Clarence Center, N.Y.) at No. 41. Also rated as second-round selections are forwards Judd Caulfield (Grand Forks, N.D.) at No. 50 and John Beecher (Elmira, N.Y.) at No. 53.

Third-round selections include **Owen Lindmark** (Naperville, III.) at No. 65 and defenseman **Domenick Fensore** (Thornwood, N.Y.) at No. 89.

Forwards **Patrick Moynihan** (Millis, Mass.) and **Michael Gildon** (Plano, Texas) are rated at 102 and 118, respectively, as fourth-round projections. **Danny Weight** (Lattingtown, N.Y.) is rated in the sixth round, 166th overall.

#### **TOURNAMENT DETAILS**

Each team will compete in four matchups at the 2019 Under-18 Five Nations Tournament. Points will be awarded for regulation wins (3), overtime wins (2) and overtime losses (1).

#### **U18 FIVE NATIONS HISTORY**

The Under-18 Four or Five Nations Tournaments are held twice per season. The NTDP's Under-18 teams have placed first in at least one of the events in every season dating back to the 2007-08 Under-18 Five Nations Tournament in Most, Czech Republic.

Team USA claimed its most recent title at the Under-18 Five Nations Tournament in November in Kravaře, Czech Republic.

In total, U.S. National Under-18 teams have won the Four or Five Nations Tournaments 22 times since the start of the 1999-00 season.

### COACHING STAFF AT U18 FIVE NATIONS TOURNAMENT

John Wroblewski (Neenah, Wis.) will lead the U.S. National Under-18 Team at the 2019 Under-18 Five Nations Tournament. Associate coach Dan Hinote (Elk River, Minn.), intern assistant coach Kevin Lind (Homer Glen, Ill.) and goaltending coach Thomas Speer (Sancsville, Wis.) join Wroblewski behind the bench, while Joseph Bonnett (Colorado Springs, Colo.) has been added to the staff as a team leader.

#### **TEAM USA CAPTAIN**

Matthew Boldy, Alex Turcotte and Marshall Warren will serve as rotating captains for the duration of the 2019 Under-18 Five Nations Tournament.

#### LAST YEAR ...

The U.S. National Under-18 Team earned first-place finishes at both Five Nations Tournaments, held in Hämeenlinna, Finland, and Plymouth, Michigan, respectively.

Despite a regulation loss to Sweden and shootout losses to Switzerland and Finland, the U18s claimed a tie for first place after a 3-0 win over the Czech Republic in their final game of the tournament in Finland.

Last year's group of U18s went on to capture the Five Nations title for a second time on home ice in February 2018 at USA Hockey Arena. Team USA defeated Sweden (5-1) and Russia (5-4) before it secured a 4-0 victory over Finland to seal the first-place finish. Team captain and current Buffalo Sabres prospect Mattias Samuelsson accepted the trophy for the U18s.

#### **ABOUT THE NTDP**

The pinnacle of amateur player development in the U.S., the NTDP scouts and selects the top 23 players in two age groups (Under-17 and Under-18) to train and develop in a highly competitive two-year program.

The teams (Under-17 and Under-18) face a rigorous domestic schedule, including competition against older, more developed players.

The U17s play a majority of a 60-game junior schedule in the USHL, while the U18s face USHL, NCAA Division I and III opponents. Both squads also compete in several international events each season.

Additionally, the players face a daily routine of off-ice development that includes strength training, crosstraining, cognitive skill testing and academics.



# U.S. MEN'S NATIONAL UNDER-18 TEAM ROSTER

NO.	NAME	HT (cm)	WT (kg)	DOB	S/C	HOMETOWN	COLLEGE COMMIT (LEAGUE)
Goalt	enders (2)						
27	Cameron Rowe	6-2 (188)	201 (91)	6/1/01	L	Wilmette, III.	University of North Dakota (NCHC)
30	Spencer Knight	6-3 (191)	197 (89)	4/19/01	L	Darien, Conn.	Boston College (HEA)
Defer	ısemen (7)						
2	Cam York	5-11 (180)	171 (78)	1/5/01	L	Anaheim Hills, Calif.	University of Michigan (Big Ten)
3	Henry Thrun	6-2 (188)	190 (86)	3/12/01	L	Southborough, Mass.	Harvard University (ECAC)
4	Drew Helleson	6-2 (188)	181 (82)	3/26/01	R	Farmington, Minn.	Boston College (HEA)
7	Alex Vlasic	6-6 (198)	193 (88)	6/5/01	L	Wilmette, Ill.	Boston University (HEA)
10	Marshall Warren	5-11 (180)	169 (77)	4/20/01	L	Laurel Hollow, N.Y.	Boston College (HEA)
23	Domenick Fensore	5-7 (170)	153 (69)	9/7/01	L	Thornwood, N.Y.	Boston University (HEA)
24	Case McCarthy	6-1 (185)	194 (88)	1/9/01	R	Clarence Center, N.Y.	University of North Dakota (NCHC)
Forw	ards (13)						
8	MIchael Gildon	6-1 (185)	194 (88)	6/21/01	L	Plano, Texas	Ohio State University (Big Ten)
9	Matthew Boldy	6-2 (188)	187 (85)	4/5/01	L	Millis, Mass.	Boston College (HEA)
11	Trevor Zegras	6-0 (183)	169 (77)	3/20/01	L	Bedford, N.Y.	Boston University (HEA)
12	Ryder Rolston	6-0 (183)	165 (75)	10/31/01	R	Birmingham, Mich.	University of Notre Dame (Big Ten)
13	Cole Caufield	5-7 (170)	155 (70)	1/2/01	R	Stevens Point, Wis.	University of Wisconsin (Big Ten)
14	Judd Caulfield	6-3 (191)	204 (93)	3/19/01	R	Grand Forks, N.D.	University of North Dakota (NCHC)
17	John Beecher	6-3 (191)	204 (93)	1/23/01	L	Elmira, N.Y.	University of Michigan (Big Ten)
18	Patrick Moynihan	5-11 (180)	183 (83)	1/23/01	R	Millis, Mass.	Providence College (HEA)
19	Alex Turcotte	5-11 (180)	189 (86)	2/26/01	L	Island Lake, III.	University of Wisconsin (Big Ten)
20	Josh Groll	5-10 (178)	180 (82)	8/9/01	L	San Diego, Calif.	University of Michigan (Big Ten)
21	Sean Farrell	5-9 (175)	174 (79)	11/2/01	L	Hopkinton, Mass.	Harvard University (ECAC)
22	Owen Lindmark	6-0 (183)	184 (83)	5/17/01	R	Naperville, III.	University of Wisconsin (Big Ten)
29	Danny Weight	6-0 (183)	177 (80)	5/1/01	L	Lattingtown, N.Y.	Boston College (HEA)



Team Leader Head Coach Associate Coach	Scott Monaghan, Ho-Ho-Kus, N.J. Joe Bonnett, Colorado Springs, Colo. John Wroblewski, Neenah, Wis. Dan Hinote, Elk River, Minn. Kevin Lind, Homer Glen, Ill.
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Athletic Trainer	Jason Hodges, New Baltimore, Mich.
	Sydney Blackman, Glendale, Ariz. Andrew Rogers, Medfield, Mass.



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## **PRONUNCIATIONS**

John Beecher (BEE-chur) Domenick Fensore (fen-sore-ee)

Michael Gildon (gil-DAWN)

Drew Commesso (DROO koh-MESS-oh)

Drew Helleson (HELL-ih-SON)

Alex Vlasic (vih-LAS-ihc)

Trevor Zegras (ZEE-grus)



# USA PLAYER STATS

Skate	r													
#	Name	Team	GP	G	Α	PTS	SOG	PPG	SH	PIM	+/-	GW	AVG PT	S
8	Michael Gildon	U18	1	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2.00	
11	Trevor Zegras	U18	1	1	1	2	3	0	0	0	1	0	2.00	
13	Cole Caufield	U18	1	1	1	2	2	0	0	0	-2	0	2.00	
19	Alex Turcotte	U18	1	1	1	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	2.00	
9	Matthew Boldy	U18	1	0	1	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	1.00	
12	Ryder Rolston	U18	1	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	2	0	1.00	
22	Owen Lindmark	U18	1	1	0	1	4	0	0	2	0	0	1.00	
23	Domenick Fensore	U18	1	0	1	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	1.00	
24	Case McCarthy	U18	1	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	1.00	
20	Josh Groll	U18	1	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	1	0	1.00	
2	Cam York	U18	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
3	Henry Thrun	U18	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0.00	
4	Drew Helleson	U18	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	-1	0	0.00	
7	Alex Vlasic	U18	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	-3	0	0.00	
10	Marshall Warren	U18	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	4	0	0.00	
14	Judd Caulfield	U18	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0.00	
17	John Beecher	U18	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
18	Patrick Moynihan	U18	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	10	0	0	0.00	
21	Sean Farrell	U18	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
29	Danny Weight	U18	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	-1	0	0.00	
Goalte	ender													
#	Name	Team	GP	MIN	W	L	T	SOL	SOG	SV	GA	GAA	SV %	SO
27	Cameron Rowe	U18	1	59:40	0	1	0	0	31	25	6	6.00	.806	0
30	Spencer Knight	1118	Ο	0.00	Ο	0	0	Ο	0	Ο	Ο	0.00	000	Ω



# **USA TEAM LEADERS**

GOALS FOR	5
GOALS PER GAME	5.00
GOALS AGAINST	7
GOALS AGAINST PER GAME	7.00
TEAM ASSISTS	9
TEAM POINTS	
SHOTS ON GOAL	49
SHOTS ALLOWED	31
POWER-PLAY OPPORTUNITIES	1
POWER-PLAY GOALS	
POWER-PLAY EFFICIENCY	0.0%
PENALTY KILLS	4
POWER-PLAY GOALS ALLOWED	3
PENALTY-KILL EFFICIENCY	
SHORT-HANDED GOALS	0
PENALTY MINUTES	
TEAM SAVES	25
TEAM SAVE PERCENTAGE	
SHUTOUTS	0

Points	Four players tied with (2)
Goals	Five players tied with (1)
Assists	Michael Gildon (2)
Wins	N/A
Goals Against Average	Cameron Rowe (6.00)
Save Percentage	806