

2023 U.S. U18 MEN'S NATIONAL TEAM GAME NOTES

2023 IIHF U18 MEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP | BASEL & PORRENTRUY, SWITZERLAND | APRIL 20-30, 2023

PRELIMINARY ROUND GAME • USA (1-0-0-0) VS. NORWAY (0-0-0-1) • BASEL, SWITZERLAND • ST. JAKOB ARENA • APRIL 22, 2023

TONIGHT'S GAME -

Team USA gets ready for its third game of Group B round-robin play at the 2023 IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship this evening, playing in a back-to-back against Finland.

Tonight's game will be the 20th career meeting between Team USA and Finland at the U18 World Championship. The U.S. holds an 11-2-0-6 (W-OTW-OTL-L) advantage and comes in having won two in a row in the series.

DATE GAME TIME (LOCAL TIME/ET)

OPPONENT

Sun., April 23 7:00 P.M. / 1:00 P.M.

Finland

Watch: NHL Network

All of Team USA's preliminary-round games will take place at St. Jakob Arena in Basel, Switzerland, home of the Swiss League's EHC Basel. The arena holds 6,700 spectators for hockey games.

TALKING POINTS -

PRELIMINARY ROUND VS. NORWAY

Gabe Perreault (Hinsdale, III.) recorded three goals and two assists while **Cole Eiserman** (Newburyport, Mass.) added a fourgoal game as the U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team downed Norway by a 12-1 final Saturday (April 22) evening at St. Jakob Arena.

HEAR IT FROM COACH

"We keep saying to the players we've got to keep building, every game is going to be different," said **Dan Muse** (Canton, Mass.), head coach of the 2023 Under-18 Men's National Team. "It was a good game and now we turn the page to get ready for tomorrow."

NEW LEADER IN THE CLUBHOUSE

With a first-period assist on **Ryan Leonard**'s (Amherst, Mass.) goal, U.S. forward **Gabe Perreault** (Hinsdale, III.) notched his 118th point of the season, giving him the most points in a single season in USA Hockey National Team Development Program history. The previous record of 117 was held by NHL superstar **Auston Matthews** (NTDP 2013-15/Toronto Maple Leafs) during the 2014-15 season.

Perreault went on to record a five-point (3g-2a) night, including the game-winning score, and now has 121 points (51g-70a) from 58 games on the 2022-23 campaign. The future Boston College Eagle leads the team in goals (51), assists (70), points (121), shots on goal (198), +/- (+70), game-winning goals (9) and points-pergame (2.09).

Over his two-year tenure at the NTDP, Perreault's 174 points ranks sixth all-time, as he and linemate **Will Smith** (Lexington, Mass.), who has 177 in fifth place, have a few more games to continue to climb the ranks. The next slot to move up is the 180 point mark, previously set by **Phil Kessel** (NTDP 2003-05/Vegas Golden Knights) and **Cole Caufield** (NTDP 2017-19/Montreal Canadiens).

BEST SERVED COLD

The IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship is the third international tournament of the season for Team USA, after playing in the 2022 U18 Five Nations in November at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth, Michigan, and the 2023 U18 Four Nations in Rauma, Finland in February.

Through 11 games, Team USA has amassed an 10-1 record with its lone loss coming to tonight's opponent, a 5-2 finish in Finland back on February 11. The U.S. won the November matchup by a 7-5 final, making tonight's rubber match a deciding third game in the season series.

TOURNAMENT INFO

The 2023 International Ice Hockey Federation Under-18 Men's World Championship will take place April 20-30, 2023, in Basel and Porrentruy, Switzerland. The U.S. enters the tournament off of a silver-medal finish at the 2022 event in Germany. Team USA has 10 gold medals in tournament history, the most of any competing country.

Team USA will play its preliminary-round games in Basel at St. Jakob Arena against Group B opponents Finland, Latvia, Norway and Switzerland. The quarterfinal round will be split between Basel and Porrentruy while both semifinals and medal-round games will all take place in Basel.

Group A consists of Canada, Czechia, Germany, Slovakia and Sweden and they will play their games at Raffeisen Arena in Porrentruy.

WATCH ON NHL NETWORK

NHL Network will provide exclusive telecasts of all Team USA games at the 2023 IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship. The network will air all Team USA games live throughout the tournament, which begins Thursday (April 20) and runs through April 30 in Basel and Porrentruy, Switzerland.

-U.S. GAME SCHEDULE

DATE OPPONENT

TIME (LOCAL/ET)

MON., APRIL 17 Porrentruy, Switzerland	CZECHIA* Raffeisen Arena	W, 9-2
THURS., APRIL 20 Basel, Switzerland	LATVIA St. Jakob Arena	W, 7-1
SAT., APRIL 22 Basel, Switzerland	NORWAY St. Jakob Arena	W, 12-1
SUN., APRIL 23 Basel, Switzerland	FINLAND St. Jakob Arena	7:00 P.M./1:00 P.M.
TUES., APRIL 25 Basel, Switzerland	SWITZERLAND St. Jakob Arena	4:00 P.M./10:00 A.M.
THURS., APRIL 27 Basel / Porrentruy	QUARTERFINAL TBD	TBD
SAT., APRIL 29 Basel, Switzerland	SEMIFINAL 1 St. Jakob Arena	3:00 P.M./9:00 A.M.
SAT., APRIL 29 Basel, Switzerland	SEMIFINAL 2 St. Jakob Arena	7:00 P.M./1:00 P.M.
SUN., APRIL 30 Basel, Switzerland	BRONZE MEDAL GAME St. Jakob Arena	3:00 P.M./9:00 A.M.
SUN., APRIL 30 Basel, Switzerland	GOLD MEDAL GAME St. Jakob Arena	7:00 P.M./1:00 P.M.

*Pre-tournament game

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

MEDIA INFORMATION

All U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team players, as well as head coach Dan Muse, will be available for interviews in designated media areas 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 Jon Edwards, who is on-site with Team USA throughout the event.

ONLINE MEDIA GUIDE TEAMUSA.USAHOCKEY.COM/2023U18MENSWORLDSTeam 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

EASY EISY

Team USA forward **Cole Eiserman** (Newburyport, Mass.) netted four goals in yesterday's 12-1 win over Norway, which tied both the U.S. and tournament record for most goals in a single game at the IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship. **Isaac Howard** (NTDP 2020-22/Michigan State University), who scored four in last year's 8-3 win over Canada, was the most recent U.S. skater to accomplish the feat.

The four scores pushed the University of Minnesota commit's season-long goal total to 65, just seven shy of **Cole Caufield**'s (NTDP 2017-19/Montreal Canadiens) NTDP record mark of 72 in 2018-19. Eiserman has added 34 assists on the season for 99 total points as he looks to become the third U.S. skater to eclipse the century mark this year.

BACK AT IT AGAIN

Every team in the tournament will face a back-to-back gameday in preliminary-round play and tonight's contest against Finland is the opportunity for Team USA.

In 22 previous back-to-back's this season, the U.S. Under-18 Team is 19-3-0, outscoring their opponents by a combined 114-52 margin in those games.

SPECIAL SPECIALS

After each team has played two games at the IIHF U18 World Championship, Team USA sits atop both ends of team special teams rankings, sitting in both first place in power-play percentage and penalty killing.

After going 2-for-3 on the power play last night, with both goals scored by **Cole Eiserman** (Newburyport, Mass.), Team USA's power play is up to 50.0%, converting on six of their 12 opportunities. Eiserman has three PPGs through two games, while **Ryan Leonard** (Amherst, Mass.), **Oliver Moore** (Mounds View, Minn.) and **Will Smith** (Lexington, Mass.) have each added one on the unit headed by assistant coach **Chad Kolarik** (Abington, Pa.).

The penalty kill, led by assistant coach **Anthony Walsh** (Burr Ridge, Ill.) is the last remaining perfect PK in the tournament as the U.S. has killed all eight man-down situations. Helping the kill is the fact that Team USA has just 16 penalty minutes assessed to them, tied for second-fewest in the tournament.

OH CAPTAIN, MY CAPTAIN

Team USA captain **Zach Schulz** (South Lyon, Mich.) came to Switzerland with just seven points, all assists, on the season, but after an assist yesterday has found his name on the scoresheet in both games so far at the U18 World Championship.

The 6-foot-1, 189-pound defenseman scored his first goal of the campaign off a firm wrister late in the third period in the U18s 7-1 win over Latvia to begin pool play. He followed that up with a helper on **Cole Eiserman**'s (Newburyport, Mass.) third-period power-play score yesterday to give him points in back-to-back games for the third time this season. Five of Schulz' nine points this season have come from international play, while the University of Wisconsin commit also registered an NCAA assist in a game at Adrian (Mich.) College back on January 24.

PRELIMINARY ROUND VS. LATVIA

Will Smith (Lexington, Mass.) scored two goals and Ryan Leonard (Amherst, Mass.) and Cole Hutson (Barrington, Ill.) added three points each as the U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team topped Latvia, 7-1, to open preliminary-round play on Thursday (April 20) at St. Jakob Arena.

PRE-TOURNAMENT VS. CZECHIA

Gabe Perreault (Hinsdale, III.) had two goals and two assists and Will Smith (Lexington, Mass.), Cole Hutson (Barrington, III.) and Carey Terrance (Akwesasne, N.Y.) added three points apiece as the U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team skated past Czechia, 9-2, in their lone pre-tournament game ahead of the 2023 IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship.

MAKE IT MAKE SENSE

USA Hockey and Sense Arena, the world leader in cognitive virtual reality hockey training, announced this week a new multi-year partnership making Sense Arena the Official Virtual Reality Training Tool of USA Hockey.

Sense Arena's groundbreaking VR technology provides a cuttingedge off-ice tool that is specifically engineered to enhance read-and-react skills and cognitive performance for skaters and goalies. Compatible with the Meta Quest 2 and standard hockey equipment, Sense Arena allows hockey players of all ages to train in confined spaces and non-traditional environments, and also serves as a valuable low-impact training tool for players rehabbing injuries off the ice. For more information on Sense Arena, visit www.SenseArena.com.

NHL CENTRAL SCOUTING

Seventeen members of the 2023 U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team were named to the National Hockey League Central Scouting's Final Rankings ahead of the 2023 NHL Draft, set to take place June 28-29 at Bridgestone Arena in Nashville, Tennessee.

Will Smith (Lexington, Mass.) was the highest-rated Team USA player and maintained his third overall ranking from the mid-season report in January. Ryan Leonard (Amherst, Mass.) sits in the fifth overall spot for North American skaters, while Oliver Moore (Mounds View, Minn.) is eighth overall and Gabe Perreault (Hinsdale, III.) rounds out the top-10 in the 10th slot.

Forward **Danny Nelson** (Maple Grove, Minn.) ranks in the top-32, indicating a possible first-round selection in the draft, at 22nd overall. **Carey Terrance** (Akwesasne, N.Y.) followed at 38th overall, up 12 spots from the mid-term list.

A trio of defenseman appear next on the final rankings, as **Paul Fischer** (River Forest, III.) sits at 58th, followed by **Drew Fortescue** (Pearl River, N.Y.) right behind at 60th and **Brady Cleveland** (Wausau, Wis.) in the 64th slot.

Beckett Hendrickson (Minnetonka, Minn.) climbed up the rankings significantly to 67th overall after he sat 94th in January's mid-term rankings. Following Hendrickson is **Aram Minnetian** (Woodcliff Lake, N.J.) at 78th and **Zach Schulz** (South Lyon, Mich.) at 96th.

Team USA continued its representation with **Will Vote** (Arlington, Mass.) at 145th, **Salvatore Guzzo** (Old Tappan, N.J.) at 196th and **Ryan Fine** (Center Moriches, N.Y.) rounding out the skaters at 200.

In the cage, a pair of U.S. goaltenders were ranked highly among North American netminders as **Trey Augustine** (South Lyon, Mich.) finished at third and **Carsen Musser** (Sherburn, Minn.) sits eighth in the final Central Scouting listing.



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U.S. GAME SUMMARIES

PRE-TOURNAMENT GAME · USA VS. CZECHIA

April 17, 2023 - Raffeisen Arena - Porrentruy, Switzerland

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1st:

USA - Hagens (Moore, Hutson) PP, 2:18
USA - Weiermair (Hutson, Fine), 3:33
USA - Hagens (Buium, Slaggert), 8:08
USA - Leonard (Perreault, Fischer), 9:20
USA - Moore (Fine, Terrance), 9:39
CZE - Matejicek (Sale, Simek), 5:23
USA - Perreault (Smith), 4:35

USA - Perreault (Smith, Hutson), 11:19 CZE - Koci (Jiricek, Sale), 12:11 USA - Terrance (Smith, Perreault) PP, 14:32 USA - Eiserman (Terrance), 17:09

Penalties: USA 2-4, CZE 5-10 Power Play: USA 2-4, CZE 0-2

Saves: USA - Augustine (20/20); 40:00 Shots: USA 44-29

USA - Musser (7/9); 20:00 CZE - Dybal (20/29); 60:00

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PRELIMINARY ROUND GAME · USA VS. NORWAY

April 22, 2023 - St. Jakob Arena - Basel, Switzerland

United States 4 5 3 - 12 Norway 0 1 0 - 1

1st: USA - Eiserman (Moore, Vote) PP, 1:45 USA - Perreault (Smith), 3:54

USA - Eiserman (Fine), 10:29

USA - Leonard (Perreault, Hutson), 13:04 NOR - Vatne (Karlsen, Amundsen), 5:35 LISA - Smith (Leonard, Perreault), 6:05

USA - Perreault (Leonard, Perreault), 6:05 USA - Perreault (Leonard, Smith), 9:15 USA - Eiserman (Hagens), 11:42

USA - Nelson (Hendrickson, Fischer), 12:37 USA - Perreault (Vote, Smith), 13:10 USA - Slaggert (Nelson) SH, 5:19

USA - Slaggert (Neison) SH, 5:19 USA - Eiserman (Vote, Schulz) PP, 8:34 USA - Moore (Fine, Terrance), 13:10

Penalties: USA 4-8, NOR 3-6 Power Play: USA 2-3, LAT 0-4

Saves: USA - Musser (14/15), 60:00 **Shots:** USA 61-15

NOR - Lundberg (26/34), 32:37 NOR - Bjornsgaard (23/27), 27:23

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PRELIMINARY ROUND GAME · USA VS. LATVIA

April 20, 2023 - St. Jakob Arena - Basel, Switzerland

United States 0 3 4 - 7
Latvia 0 0 1 - 1

1st:

2nd: USA - Eiserman (Hagens, Hutson) PP, 0:59

USA - Leonard (Perreault, Terrance) PP, 10:05 USA - Smith (Leonard, Hutson), 14:15

USA - Smith (Leonard, Hutson), 14:15
USA - Moore (Hutson, Eiserman) PP, 0:22
LAT - Niedrajs (Unassisted) SH, 1:43
USA - Smith (Perreault, Leonard) PP, 4:05

USA - Smith (Perreault, Leonard) PP, 4:0 USA - Guzzo (Nelson, Minnetian), 14:15 USA - Schulz (Moore, Terrance), 15:29

Penalties: USA 4-8, LAT 9-39 Power Play: USA 4-9, LAT 0-4

Saves: USA - Augustine (19/20); 53:12 Shots: USA 36-24

USA - Slukynsky (4/4), 6:48 LAT - Ozols (19/22), 40:00 LAT - Maurins (10/14), 20:00

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2023 U.S. UNDER-18 MEN'S NATIONAL TEAM ROSTER

NO. NAME	HT (C	CM) WT (KG	BIRTHDATE	S/C	HOMETOWN	MOST RECENT TEAM (LEAGUE)	NCAA COMMITMENT
	gustine* 6-1 (⁻ on Slukynsky 6-0 (⁻	184) 170 (77)	07/02/2005	L L L	South Lyon, Mich. Warroad, Minn. Sherburn, Minn.	U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP) Warroad High School (USHS) U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP)	Michigan State Univ. (Big Ten) Northern Michigan Univ. (CCHA) Colorado College (NCHC)
7 Paul Fis 8 Zach S 14 Cole Hu 17 Aram M	Cleveland* 6-4 (* 1	185) 188 (85) 185) 193 (88) 173) 143 (65) (180) 190 (86)	01/30/2005 06/14/2005 06/28/2006 03/19/2005 04/28/2005	L L L R L	Wausau, Wis. River Forest, III. South Lyon, Mich. Barrington, III. Woodcliff Lake, N.J. Pearl River, N.Y. San Diego, Calif.	U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP) U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP) U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP) U.S. National Under-17 Team (NTDP) U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP)	Univ. of Wisconsin (Big Ten) Univ. of Notre Dame (Big Ten) Univ. of Wisconsin (Big Ten) Boston Univ. (HEA) Boston College (HEA) Univ. of Denver (NCHC)
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^{*2022} U.S. Under-18 National Team member

2023 U.S. UNDER-18 MEN'S NATIONAL TEAM GAME-BY-GAME SCORING

TIME (ET) NO NAME	POS.	CZE^ W, 9-2 4/17	LAT W, 7-1 4/20	NOR W, 12-1 4/22	FIN 1:00 PM 4/23	SUI 10:00 AM 4/25	TBD (QF) TBD 4/27	TBD (SF) TBD 4/29	TBD (MG) TBD 4/30	2023 U18MWC TOTAL
2 Will Smith	F	AAA	GP	A*GAA						3-3 (6)
3 Carey Terrance	F	APA	A*A	A						0-3 (3)
4 Gabe Perreault	F	AGGA	A*A	G*AAGG						3-4 (7)
6 Brady Cleveland	D									0-0 (0)
7 Paul Fischer	D	Α		Α						0-1 (1)
8 Zach Schulz	D		G	A						1-1 (2)
9 Ryan Leonard	F	G	P*AA	GAA						2-4 (6))
10 Ryan Fine	F	AA		AA						0-2 (2)
11 Oliver Moore	F	AG	PA	AG						2-2 (4)
13 Danny Nelson	F		Α	GA						1-2 (3)
14 Cole Hutson	D	AAA	AAA	Α						0-4 (4)
17 Aram Minnetian	D		Α							0-1 (1)
18 Beckett Hendrickson	n F			Α						0-1 (1)
19 Carter Slaggert	F	A*		S						1-0 (1)
22 Will Vote	F			AAA						0-3 (3)
23 Salvatore Guzzo	F		G							1-0 (1)
24 Drew Fortescue	D									0-0 (0)
25 James Hagens	F	PG*	Α	Α						0-2 (2)
28 Zeev Buium	D	A*								0-0 (0)
34 Cole Eiserman	F	G	PA	PGGP						5-1 (6)
1 Trey Augustine	G	W (40:00)	W (53:12)	DND						1-0 (W-L)
		20/20	19/20	/	/	/	/	/	/	0.00 GAÁ
30 Hampton Slukynsky	G	DNP	6:48	DNP						0-0 (W-L)
		/	4/4	/	/	/	/	/	/	0.00 GAÁ
32 Carsen Musser	G	(20:00)	DND	W (60:00)						1-0 (W-L)
		7/9	/	14/15 ´	/	/	/	/	/	1.00 GAÁ

Key: For complete statistics, visit: https://www.iihf.com/en/events/2022/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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2022-23 SEASON STATISTICS

FORWARDS NO NAME	GP	G	Δ	PTS	DEFENSE NO NAME GP	G	Δ	PTS
NO NAME 2 Will Smith U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP	55)	45	68	113	NO NAME GP 6 Brady Cleveland 50 U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP))	0	6	6
3 Carey Terrance Erie Otters (OHL)		31	22	53	7 Paul Fischer 51 U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP)	4	17	21
4 Gabe Perreault U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP		51	70	121	8 Zach Schulz 47 U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP)	1	8	9
9 Ryan Leonard U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP	52)	45	38	83	14 Cole Hutson 56 U.S. National Under-17 Team (NTDP)	9	51	60
10 Ryan Fine U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP	58	16	24	40	17 Aram Minnetian 57 U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP)			
11 Oliver Moore U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP		29	41	70	24 Drew Fortescue 57 U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP)			
13 Danny Nelson U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP	57)	18	25	43	28 Zeev Bulum 58 U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP)	4	30	34
18 Beckett Hendrickson U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP		13	20	33	GOALTENDERS			
19 Carter Slaggert	57	4	8	12	NO NAME GP W-L-T-OTI			
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U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP 25 James Hagens U.S. National Under-17 Team (NTDP	55	32	50	82	32 Carsen Musser 28 14-7-1 U.S. National Under-18 Team (NTDP)	3.	.28	.885
34 Cole Eiserman U.S. National Under-17 Team (NTDP	57	65	34	99				

ROSTER DETAILS

Minnesota Massachusetts New York Illinois Michigan New Jersey California Indiana Wisconsin	5 4 4 3 2 2 1 1	COLLEGE COMMITMENTS (10) Boston College University of Minnesota University of Nore Dame Harvard University University of Wisconsin Boston University Colorado College University of Denver Michigan State University Northern Michigan University	6 3 3 2 2 1 1 1 1	Average Height	6ft 0in (182 cm) 6ft 0in (182 cm) d/Musser (6 ft 4in/193 cm) Fine (5ft 7in/170 cm) 180 lbs (82 kg) Musser (212 lbs/96 kg Hutson (143 lbs/65 kg) Leonard (Jan. 21, 2005) Hagens (Nov. 3, 2006) Left: 17 Right: 6
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PRONUNCIATIONS

Trey Augustine	TRAY AW-guss-teen
Zeev Buium	ZEEV BOO-yum
Brady Cleveland	BRAY-dee CLEAVE-lind
Cole Eiserman	KOHL EYE-zur-men
Ryan Fine	RIGH-uhn FYNE
Paul Fischer	PAWL FISH-er
Drew Fortescue	DREW FORT-eh-skew
Salvatore Guzzo	SAL-vuh-tore GUZZ-oh
James Hagens	JAYMZ HAY-gehns
Beckett Hendrickso	nBECK-it HEN-drick-suhn
Cole Hutson	KOHL HUT-suhn
Ryan Leonard	RIGH-uhn LEN-uhrd

Aram Minnetian
Oliver Moore
Carsen Musser
Danny Nelson
Gabe Perreault
Zach Schulz
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- 2023 U.S. STAFF -

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POSITION General Manager	NAME Scott Monaghan Ho-Ho-Kus, N.J.							
Head Coach	Dan Muse Canton, Mass.							
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Assistant Coach	Anthony Walsh Burr Ridge, III.							
Assistant Coach	David Lassonde Durham, N.H.							
Assistant Coach	Dan Darrow Livonia, Mich.							
Sports Science	Brian Galivan Chicago, III.							
Team Physician	Dr. Doug Weiss Dublin, N.H.							
Athletic Trainer	Jason Hodges New Baltimore, Mich.							
Equipment Manager	Jake Visser Grand Rapids, Mich.							
Hockey Operations	Kevin Braeunle Lansdale, Pa.							
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ABOUT HODGES

Jason Hodges is serving as the athletic trainer of the U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team for the ninth time at the 2023 IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship, having most recently been on staff for the 2021 event. He also served on the medical staff for five gold-medal squads (2005, 2009, 2011, 2015, 2017), two silver medal teams (2007, 2013) and one bronze medal-winning group (2019) at the event. Hodges, who is in his 23rd season with USA Hockey's NTDP, served as athletic trainer for the Under-18 Team for the 2022-23 campaign. No stranger to international competition, the New Baltimore, Mich., native served as athletic trainer for the 2022 U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Team and the U.S. Men's National Team at the 2021 IIHF Men's World Championship, where he collected a bronze medal.

ABOUT VISSER

Jake Visser, serving as Team USA's equpiment manager, is in his 11th season with USA Hockey's NTDP and works as the equipment manager for the U.S. National Under-18 Team in 2022-23. His stint has included three gold medals (2011, 2015, 2017) and one silver medal (2013) at the IIHF Men's Under-18 World Championship. At the World Under-17 Challenge, Visser has seen one first-place finish and one second-place finish.

The Grand Rapids, Michigan, native has also served as equipment manager for the U.S. National Junior Team (2015) and the U.S. Under-18 Select Teams at the Ivan Hlinka Memorial Tournament (2016-17).

ABOUT THE STAFF-

ABOUT MONAGHAN

Scott Monaghan is serving as the general manager of the U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team for the 24th time at the 2023 IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship. Monaghan has been on staff for all 10 gold medal-winning U.S. teams at the 2002, 2005, 2006, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015 and 2017 events. An original staff member of USA Hockey's National Team Development Program, he currently serves as USA Hockey's assistant executive director of the NTDP and USA Hockey Arena, where he is responsible for all aspects of both entities. Monaghan, who sits on the USA Hockey Player Development Committee and the USA Hockey Junior Council, was honored at the USA Hockey Annual Congress in 2009 with the President's Award, recognizing his outstanding contributions to the organization.

ABOUT MUSE

Dan Muse is serving as head coach of the U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team for the second time at the 2023 IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship, having previously coached the 2021 squad. Muse is currently in his third season as a head coach at USA Hockey's National Team Development Program. Head coach of this year's Under-18 Team, Muse has led the team to a 42-9-2-2 record so far this season, after spending the 2021-22 campaign with the Under-17 Team. With 16 wins this season, the NTDP Under-18 Team set a single-season win record over NCAA opponents under Muse's leadership, including 15 over Division I opponents – another single-season NTDP record. On the international stage, Muse was Team USA's video coach at the 2013 IIHF World Junior Championship, where the U.S. bought home gold, and served in the same capacity the following year. In addition, the Canton, Mass., native recently captured first place at the 2022 Under-18 Five Nations Championship at USA Hockey Arena last November. Muse, who holds over 15 years of coaching experience, was an assistant coach for the NHI's Nashville Predators for three seasons before his arrival in Plymouth, helping the team to two Central Division titles, including the 2017-18 Presidents' Trophy.

ABOUT KOLARIK

Chad Kolarik is serving as an assistant coach for Team USA, his first IIHF event as a staff member. Kolarik, an alum of USA Hockey's National Team Development Program (2002-04), is in his first season as an assistant coach of the NTDP's Under-18 Team and has helped the team to a 42-9-2-2 record this season. He also served on staff for the 2023 Under-18 Four Nations and 2022 Under-18 Five Nations Championship, where he helped the team to a first-place finish. The Abington, Pa., native began his coaching career last season with the USHL's Waterloo Black Hawks as an assistant coach, helping the team to the Clark Cup Playoffs during the 2021-22 campaign. As a player, Kolarik represented the U.S. on multiple occasions, most recently as a member of the 2018 U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Team that competed in PyeongChang, South Korea.

ABOUT WALSH

This is **Anthony Walsh**'s first time serving as an assistant coach of the U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team. Walsh is in his second season at USA Hockey's National Team Development Program after joining the Under-17 Team coaching staff last March. He came to the NTDP after spending the 2021-22 campaign as an assistant coach at Fredonia State University, where he started his coaching career. A 2019 graduate of Yale University, Wash spent the 2019-2020 season with the Bulldogs for as the program's director of hockey operations and also worked as a skills coach for Connecticut youth hockey programs.

ABOUT LASSONDE

David Lassonde is serving as an assistant coach of the U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team for the third time at the 2023 IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship, having previously coached the silver-medal winning 2022 squad and the 2021 team. Lassonde, who has more than 30 years of coaching experience, was named USA Hockey's national goaltending coach prior to the start of the 2020-21 season. Now in his third season with USA Hockey's National Team Development Program, this will be Lassonde's 12th international event as with USA Hockey. The Durham, N.H., native served as an assistant coach for the U.S. Olympic Men's Hockey Team at the 2022 Winter Olympic Games in Beijing, China; three U.S. National Junior Teams, including for the silver medal-winning 2019 squad and gold medal-winning 2013 team. Lassonde boasts a 32-year NCAA Division I men's hockey coaching career that includes stops at Dartmouth, Denver, New Hampshire, Miami University and Wisconsin.

ABOUT DARROW

Dan Darrow, who is making his USA Hockey IIHF debut, serves as a volunteer assistant coach at USA Hockey's National Team Development Program with the Under-18 Team. He has helped the team to a 43-13-0 record so far this season. Before joining the NTDP staff, the Livonia, Mich., native spent seven seasons serving as video coach for the NHL's San Jose Sharks, where he had a particular focus on incorporating analytics for his pre-scouting work and during the playoffs.



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U.S. OUTLOOK AT 2023 IIHF UNDER-18 MEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

2023 U.S. GROUP B OPPONENTS

THURS.. APRIL 20 4:00 P.M. LOCAL (W. 7-1) 10:00 A.M. ET

Series vs. Latvia: 6-0-0-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T)

Of Note: Team USA has outscored Latvia 54-7 in six all-time matchups.

LAST MEETING: Will Smith (Lexington, Mass.) scored two goals and **Ryan Leonard** (Amherst, Mass.) and **Cole Hutson** (Barrington, Ill.) added three points each as the U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team topped Latvia, 7-1, to open preliminary-round play.

NORWAY

LATVIA



SAT., APRIL 22 7:00 P.M. LOCAL (W, 12-1) 1:00 P.M. ET

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

Of Note: The U.S. has won all three career matchups against Norway.

LAST MEETING: Gabe Perreault (Hinsdale, III.) recorded three goals and two assists while **Cole Eiserman** (Newburyport, Mass.) added a four-goal game as the U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team downed Norway by a 12-1 final Saturday evening at St. Jakob Arena.

FINLAND



SUN., APRIL 23

7:00 P.M. LOCAL

1:00 P.M. ET

Series vs. Finland: 11-2-0-6-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T)

Of Note: The U.S. has suffered the 2nd-most losses in tourney play to Finland. LAST MEETING: Ty Gallagher (Clarkston, Mich.) tied the game with three seconds to play in regulation and Sasha Pastujov (Bradenton, Fla.) connected less than a minute into the overtime period as the U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team came back to beat Finland, 5-4, at Comerica Center.

SWITZERLAND



TUES., APRIL 25

4:00 P.M. LOCAL

10:00 A.M ET

Series vs. Switzerland: 9-0-0-1-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T) Of Note: Team USA faced Sweden prior to its record-setting win streak ended

LAST MEETING: Jack Hughes (Orlando, Fla.) and Cam York (Anaheim Hills, Calif.) recorded three-point games as 14 different players registered at least a point for the U.S. in its 8-5 win against Switzerland in the second preliminary round game of the 2018 IIHF Under-18 World Championship.

U.S. U18 MWC PLAYOFF HISTORY

Quarterfinal Record: 12-0-1-1 (W-OTW-OTL-L) Last QF: W, 13-3 vs. Latvia (2022)

The U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team used a hat-trick from Ryan Leonard (Amherst, Mass.) to take down Latvia, 13-3, Thursday evening at Fanatec Arena. With the win, Team USA advances to the 2022 IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship semifinals.

Semifinal Record: 9-5-2-2 (W-OTW-OTL-L) W, 6-1 vs. Czechia (2022) Last SF: The U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team used a five-goal second period and six unanswered to move past Czechia, 6-1, at Fanatec Arena. American netminder **Trey Augustine** (South Lyon, Mich.) stopped 26 of the 27 shots he faced in the game.

Bronze-Medal Games: 3-0-0-1 (W-OTW-OTL-L) **Total Bronze Medals:** 3 ('08, '16, '19) Last BMG: W, 9-3 vs. Czech Republic (2018)

Jack Hughes (Orlando, Fla.) set the record for most points (32) at the IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship with his one goal, two-assist performance in Team USA's 5-2 victory over Canada to take the bronze medal.

Gold-Medal Games: 8-2-0-5 (W-OTW-OTL-L)
Total Gold Medals: 10 ('02, '05, '06, '09, '10, '11, '12, '14, '15, '17)

Last GMG: L, 6-4 vs. Sweden (2022) Rutger McGroarty (Lincoln, Neb.) scored twice and was named U.S. Player of the Game, but the U.S. U18 Men's National Team wasn't able to complete a third-period comeback attempt and fell to Sweden, 6-4, in the 2022 IIHF U18 Men's World Championship gold medal game.

U.S. UNDER-18 MEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY AT A GLANCE

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Belarus	9	8	0	0	0	1	69	8		
Canada	17	11	2	2	2	0	79	41		
Czechia	19	15	2	1	1	0	87	30		
Denmark	3	3	0	0	0	0	16	2		
Finland	19	11	2	0	6	0	59	40		
Germany	10	8	0	0	2	0	65	16		
Latvia	6	6	0	0	0	0	54	7		
Norway	3	3	0	0	0	0	30	3		
Russia	21	8	1	2	10	0	77	72		
Slovakia	11	9	0	0	2	0	73	25		
Sweden	20	13	2	0	5	0	89	49		
Switzerland	10	9	0	0	1	0	47	18		
Ukraine	4	4	0	0	0	0	33	0		
TOTAL	152	108	9	5	29	1	778	311		

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Preliminary	94	72	2	2	17	1
Playoffs	3	2	0	0	1	0
Relegation	4	3	0	0	1	0
Fifth-Place	1	0	0	0	1	0
Quarterfinal	14	12	0	1	1	0
Semifinal	18	9	5	2	2	0
Bronze-Medal	4	3	0	0	1	0
Gold-Medal	15	8	2	0	5	0
TOTAL	153	109	9	5	29	1

ALL-TIME MEDALS AT U18 WORLDS

<u>Year</u>	<u>Location</u>	Record	<u>Medal</u>
2022	Landshut & Kaufbeuren	5-0-0-1	Silver
2019	Umea & Ornskoldsvik	6-0-0-1	Bronze
2018	Chelyabinsk & Magnitogorsk	4-0-0-3	Silver
2017	Poprad & Spisska Nova Ves	6-1-0-0	Gold
2016	Grand Forks	6-0-0-1	Bronze
2015	Zug & Lucerne	5-1-0-1	Gold
2014	Lappeenranta & Imatra	6-0-0-1	Gold
2013	Sochi	3-1-0-3	Silver
2012	Brno	6-0-0-0	Gold
2011	Crimmitschau & Dresden	4-2-0-0	Gold
2010	Minsk & Babruysk	6-0-0-1	Gold
2009	Fargo & Moorhead	6-0-0-1	Gold
2008	Kazan	5-0-0-2	Bronze
2007	Tampere & Rauma	3-1-1-2	Silver
2006	Angelholm & Halmstad	5-1-0-0	Gold
2005	Plzen & Ceske Budejovice	6-0-0-0	Gold
2004	Minsk	5-0-0-1	Silver
2002	Piestany & Trnava	7-0-0-1	Gold

10 Gold 5 Silver 3 Bronze

*Records listed as W-OTW-OTL-L

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