

# Minnesota State Boys' Hockey Tournament Facts for 2026

*There were six overtime games this season (tying the mark established in 1970, 2000 and 2011).*

*Both the Class A and AA championship games needed overtime this year; that had occurred previously in 2011.*

*Moorhead is the fourteenth team to successfully defend their title. This was done most recently by Hermantown in 2016 and 2017.*

*Andover had a losing record entering the tournament (11-14-3). Since the tournament split into two classes, there have been 20 teams with losing records (most recent by Mahtomedi last year).*

*Daniel Halonen from Delano and Warroad's Gavin Andersen shared the Class A honors in total points this tournament with five goals and five assists each (ten points); Cash Hardie from Minnetonka was the leading scorer in Class AA with seven points (four goals, three assists).*

*Five officials that had not worked in prior State Tournaments worked this year. Veteran referee John Boche worked his record 17th State Tournament. He had also worked a total of 39 State Tournament games, fourth most ever.*

## **Close but not a record:**

*Warroad scored six seconds into the second period against Northern Lakes (one second away from tying the record set by Alexandria in the second period of their game with Hermantown in 2011).*

*Delano's Lance Halonen tallied six points (two goals and four assists) in his game with Mankato West in the Class A quarterfinals. The record is eight points by John Mayasich from Eveleth in his game with Mpls. Southwest in 1951 (seven goals, one assist).*