

Minnesota State Boys' Hockey Tournament Facts for 2022

Jottings:

With Andover's boy's and girl's hockey teams winning state hockey championships this year, they join two other schools that have successfully held both crowns in the same year: 2005 Academy of Holy Angels and Edina's double win in 2019.

This year's Class AA championship game went double overtime, the 16th time a title game needed extra time. Of those previous 15 games, five went double overtime with the 2011AA Eden Prairie vs. Duluth East game needing three overtimes. In actual playing time, this year's Andover vs. Maple Grove game was the fourth longest, taking 67:59. In 2005, the Class A title game went 70:37, the 2017A game took 75:40 and the longest ever was the 2011AA game lasting 80:43.

Overtime games were a common theme in the tournament this year with five games needing extra time (four in Class AA). Ironically, in the girl's tournament this year, there were none (that hadn't happened to the girls since 2001). For the first time ever, the three Saturday games in the same class all went overtime (it happened in Class AA this year). Previously, there were six Saturday's that had two overtime games in the same class (most recently in the 2020A tournament).

Hill-Murray played in their nineteenth overtime game (a record) as was Edina winning their eleventh time in overtime.

Mahtomedi scored three goals in a span of 46 seconds in the third place game against Alexandria. As fast as this was, the record is 23 seconds (by Hibbing against Alexander Ramsey in 1973).

Maple Grove's first goal twelve seconds into the State Championship Game was two seconds shy of the all-time record in a state championship game. Thief River Falls needed only ten seconds against International Falls in 1956. Continuing with that theme of scoring early in a game, Lakeville South, in their first round game against Hill-Murray, scored ten seconds into the game. As fast as this was, it fell three seconds short of the record as earliest goal to start a game (that record is seven seconds by St. Cloud Cathedral against Henry Sibley in 2011). The record for earliest goal in any period belongs to Alexandria. In the second period of their game against Hermantown in 2011, it took only five seconds.

Alexandria's seven total shots on goal in their semifinal game against Hermantown was the fewest in a game by a team since St. Cloud Apollo could manage only three shots on goal in their game against St. Thomas Academy in 2013.

In winning two games in the tournament this year, Edina now has a record 57 tournament wins, breaking the tie they had with Roseau at 55.

The leading scorers in each class this year were Maple Grove's Joshua Giuliani (eight goals, four assists and a total of 12 points in Class AA) and Warroad's Daimon Gardner led the way in Class A with a total of eight points (six goals, two assists).