

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS @ MINNESOTA WILD

Sunday, Oct 18, 2026 · 6:00 PM EDT · Grand Casino Arena, Saint Paul, MN · TV: ESPN+, CBJNHL, MINNHL
NHL REGULAR SEASON · IN PROGRESS



COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS (3-3-0 · 7th in Metropolitan Division)

FORWARDS

LINE	#	PLAYER	POS	CTRY	AGE	GP	G	A	P	+/-
L1	89	Matthew Knies	LW	USA	24	6	2	2	4	+1
	19	Adam Fantilli	C	CAN	22	6	1	1	2	+1
	91	Kent Johnson	C	CAN	24	6	4	1	5	+1
L2	43	Valeri Nichushkin	RW	RUS	31	6	1	2	3	-2
	23	Sean Monahan	C	CAN	32	6	1	1	2	-3
	83	Conor Garland	RW	USA	30	6	0	0	0	-1
L3	4	Cole Sillinger	C	USA	23	6	3	2	5	+1
	3	Charlie Coyle	C	USA	34	6	0	6	6	+2
	24	Mathieu Olivier	RW	USA	29	6	2	0	2	-1
L4	94	Ryan Lomberg	LW	CAN	31	6	0	0	0	+1
	93	Luca Del Bel Belluz	C	CAN	22	1	0	0	0	0
	58	Danton Heinen	LW	CAN	31	6	0	0	0	-2

Lines projected per NHL.com, Oct 18, 2026. Season stats per ESPN, season to date.

DEFENCE

PAIR	#	PLAYER	POS	CTRY	AGE	GP	G	A	P	+/-
D1	8	Zach Werenski	D	USA	29	6	0	5	5	+6
	78	Damon Severson	D	CAN	32	4	1	3	4	+3
D2	2	Jake Christiansen	D	CAN	27	5	0	0	0	-2
	5	Denton Mateychuk	D	CAN	22	6	1	1	2	-2
D3	36	Emil Andrae	D	SWE	24	4	0	1	1	+2
	44	Erik Gudbranson	D	CAN	34	6	0	1	1	-3

Lines projected per NHL.com, Oct 18, 2026. Dante Fabbro, Ivan Provorov and Isac Lundestrom are listed in Out.

GOALIES

#	GOALIE	CTRY	AGE	GP	W-L-OT	GAA
33	Cam Talbot*	CAN	39	2	1-1-0	4.43
73	Jet Greaves	CAN	25	5	2-2-0	2.58

* Starter not confirmed. ESPN's live feed shows Talbot in goal; SportsBettingDime projects Greaves. Official sheet not found.

POWER PLAY 1

TEAM	UNIT
CBJ	Knies, Coyle, Fantilli, Johnson, Werenski
MIN	Shabanov, Eriksson Ek, Kaprizov, Hughes, Boldy

CBJ per InsideTheRink (Oct 18, 2026). MIN is a 5V5 Hockey projection dated Oct 13, not confirmed for tonight.

OUT

TEAM	PLAYER	STATUS	DETAIL
MIN	Filip Gustavsson (G)	Injured Reserve	Hip surgery, return Nov 19
	Jared Spurgeon (D)	Injured Reserve	Upper body, return Oct 22
	Olli Maatta (D)	Out	Upper body, return Oct 20
	Nico Sturm (C)	Injured Reserve	Concussion, return Oct 20
	Marcus Foligno (LW)	Injured Reserve	Lower body, return Oct 20

Injury report per ESPN.

TEAM STATS

	BS	HT	TK	S	PPG	PPO	PCT	SHG	SOG	FW
CBJ	2	8	2	7	0	1	0.0	0	0	9
MIN	2	5	0	11	0	2	0.0	0	0	7

Season to date per ESPN.

ODDS

LINE
MIN -192, O/U 6.5 (DraftKings)

Per ESPN.

MINNESOTA WILD (5-2-1 · 3rd in Central Division)

FORWARDS

LINE	#	PLAYER	POS	CTRY	AGE	GP	G	A	P	+/-
L1	97	Kirill Kaprizov	LW	RUS	29	8	9	5	14	+7
	14	Joel Eriksson Ek	C	SWE	29	8	1	4	5	+6
	12	Matt Boldy	LW	USA	25	8	5	2	7	+6
L2	20	Blake Coleman	LW	USA	34	8	2	1	3	-4
	38	Ryan Hartman	RW	USA	32	8	0	1	1	-7
	10	Bobby Brink	RW	USA	25	8	0	4	4	-2
L3	13	Yakov Trenin	LW	RUS	29	8	0	1	1	-3
	22	Danila Yurov	RW	RUS	22	8	3	1	4	0
	49	Maxim Shabanov	RW	RUS	26	8	2	3	5	-4
L4	61	Rieger Lorenz	LW	CAN	22	4	0	1	1	-3
	47	Michael McCarron	C	USA	31	8	0	4	4	+3
	19	Tyler Pitlick	C	USA	34	2	0	0	0	-2

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DEFENCE

PAIR	#	PLAYER	POS	CTRY	AGE	GP	G	A	P	+/-
D1	43	Quinn Hughes	D	USA	27	8	2	10	12	+2
	25	Jonas Brodin	D	SWE	33	8	0	1	1	0
D2	48	Daemon Hunt	D	CAN	24	8	0	0	0	-4
	24	Zach Bogosian	D	USA	36	7	0	0	0	-1
D3	26	Matt Kiersted	D	USA	28	1	0	0	0	+2
	82	David Spacek	D	USA	23	4	0	0	0	-1

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GOALIES

#	GOALIE	CTRY	AGE	GP	W-L-OT	GAA
30	Jesper Wallstedt*	SWE	23	7	5-1-1	2.13
31	Calvin Pickard	CAN	34	1	0-1-0	5.00

* Starter per Star Tribune and The Hockey News (Oct 18, 2026); not confirmed by an official sheet.

STANDINGS · METROPOLITAN DIVISION

POS	TEAM	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS
1	Hurricanes	9	7	1	1	15
2	Rangers	10	6	3	1	13
3	Capitals	8	5	3	0	10
4	Islanders	8	4	3	1	9
5	Devils	8	4	4	0	8
6	Penguins	9	3	5	1	7
7	Blue Jackets *	6	3	3	0	6
8	Flyers	10	1	6	3	5

Per ESPN; * tonight's teams.

STANDINGS · CENTRAL DIVISION

POS	TEAM	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS
1	Mammoth	9	6	3	0	12
2	Avalanche	8	5	2	1	11
3	Wild *	8	5	2	1	11
4	Jets	8	4	2	2	10
5	Stars	8	4	3	1	9
6	Predators	8	3	2	3	9
7	Blues	8	3	4	1	7
8	Blackhawks	9	3	6	0	6

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