

# U.S. NATIONAL TEAM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

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DATE	GAME	LOCATION	TIME*	BROADCAST INFO
Fri., Feb. 20	U18 at Madison	Madison, Wis.	8:05 p.m.	FASTHockey.com
	U17 at Omaha	Ralston, Neb.	8:35 p.m.	FASTHockey.com
Sat., Feb. 21	U18 at Madison	Madison, Wis.	8:05 p.m.	FASTHockey.com
	U17 at Sioux Falls	Sioux Falls, S.D.	8:05 p.m.	FASTHockey.com

\* All times are ET

## ★ THIS WEEK'S GAMES

### U18 at MADISON

**GAME INFO:** The U.S. National Under-18 Team heads to Madison, Wis., to take on the USHL's Madison Capitols in a two-game series this weekend at the Veterans Memorial Coliseum. Both games start at 8:05 p.m. ET and can be seen live on FASTHockey.com

**ALL-TIME RECORD:** Series tied, 1-1-0.

**TEAM USA PLAYERS TO WATCH:** F **Auston Matthews** leads Team USA with 19 points (8-11) in 11 games played ... F **Jack Roslovic** has collected a team-best 12 assists in USHL outings ... F **Jeremy Bracco** and F **Christian Fischer** both have seven goals and 15 points in USHL games ... G **Luke Opilka** has a 5-1-0 record this season in USHL regular-season games.

**QUICK FACTS:** This weekend marks the final games between the NTDP and Madison in 2014-15. The Under-17 Team split a two-game set against the Capitols last weekend in Ann Arbor, winning, 4-3, in overtime Friday before falling, 6-3, in the series finale ... NTDP product **Ryan Suter** is the Capitols' team chairman.



### U17 at OMAHA

**GAME INFO:** The U.S. National Under-17 Team hits the road and heads to Omaha, Neb., for the first of two games this weekend against USHL Western Conference opponents. Puck-drop on Friday (Feb. 20) against the Lancers is scheduled for 8:35 p.m. ET and can be seen live on FASTHockey.com.

**ALL-TIME RECORD:** Omaha leads, 7-2-1.

**TEAM USA PLAYERS TO WATCH:** F **Clayton Keller** leads all Team USA players in points during USHL play with 23 (9-14) in 22 games entering the weekend. ... F **Joey Anderson** has collected a team-best 10 goals in USHL outings, including two on the power play and two game-winners ... G **Jake Oettinger** leads all NTDP goaltenders in USHL minutes played (686:48) and leads the Under-17 Team in save percentage (.899) in 13 USHL games.

**QUICK FACTS:** This is the only meeting between the U17s and Omaha in 2014-15. The Lancers will travel to Ann Arbor to play the Under-18 Team March 5 ... Omaha F **Shane Gersich** (Chaska, Minn.) played for the NTDP last season.



### U17 at SIOUX FALLS

**GAME INFO:** The U.S. National Under-17 hits the road and heads to Omaha, Neb., for the first of two games this weekend against USHL Western Conference opponents. Puck-drop on Friday (Feb. 20) against the Lancers is scheduled for 8:35 p.m. ET and can be seen live on FASTHockey.com.

**ALL-TIME RECORD:** Omaha leads, 7-2-1.

**TEAM USA PLAYERS TO WATCH:** D **Adam Fox** is tied for the NTDP lead in points among defensemen with 13 (2-11) in 22 games played ... D **Griffin Luce** has the best plus-minus rating among all Under-17 Team players (even) ... F **William Lockwood** ranks fifth on the U17s with 5-4=9, including a three-point (2-1) game last Friday (Feb. 13) vs. Madison in Ann Arbor.

**QUICK FACTS:** This is the only meeting between the U17s and Sioux Falls in 2014-15. The Stampede will travel to Ann Arbor to play the Under-18 Team March 8 ... Sioux Falls' **Clint Lewis** (Burnsville, Minn.) played for the NTDP from 2011-13.



## ★ NTDP NEWS AND NOTES

### FLOODSTRAND, MASONIUS PLAY IN USHL TOP PROSPECTS GAME

U18 Team F **Michael Floodstrand** and D **Joe Masonius** participated in the USHL/ NHL Top Prospects Game Jan. 13 at Mystique Community Ice Center in Dubuque, Iowa. Masonius, who is committed to play college hockey at the University of New Hampshire, scored one goal, had three shots on net and collected a plus-two rating. Floodstrand, a Harvard University recruit, collected one shot.

### MATTHEWS SKATES FOR U.S. NATIONAL JUNIOR TEAM

U18 Team F **Auston Matthews** made the 2015 U.S. National Junior Team roster for the IIHF World Junior Championship in Montreal and Toronto. In five games played, Matthews collected three points (1-2), including a game-winner, and tied for third on the team with 16 shots on goal.

### SIX NTDP ALUMNI PLAY IN NHL ALL-STAR GAME

The National Team Development Program was well-represented at the NHL All-Star Game Jan. 25 in Columbus, Ohio, as six NTDP alumni played in the contest. The list included defensemen **Justin Faulk** (2008-10/Carolina Hurricanes), **Kevin Shattenkirk** (2005-07/St. Louis Blues) and **Ryan Suter** (2001-03/Minnesota Wild); and forwards **Nick Foligno** (2003-04/Columbus Blue Jackets), **Patrick Kane** (2004-06/Chicago Blackhawks) and **Phil Kessel** (2003-05/Toronto Maple Leafs).

### NTDP TEAMS BOTH EARN SECOND AT RESPECTIVE FIVE NATIONS EVENTS

Both the U.S. National Under-18 and Under-17 Teams earned second place at their respective Five Nations Tournaments last week, with the U18s playing in the Czech Republic and the U17s taking the ice in Russia. The final international event of the 2014-15 season is the IIHF U18 Men's World Championship, slated for April 16-26 in Zug and Lucerne, Switzerland.

### NTDP OFFICIAL WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA

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