

LAHC O'Grady Thanksgiving Hockey Tournament Rules 2025: Varsity 2

1. **Hockey Rules:** USA hockey rules shall prevail unless noted otherwise. All teams must be properly registered with USA Hockey and present an official roster at registration. For all games the Home team will be listed first on the schedule.
2. **Rosters:** Must be submitted to a Loyola Hockey Club Tournament Official prior to the tournament. Rosters shall include the players name, jersey number, position and year in school. **Dual rostering** of varsity players on the JV roster will not be allowed (players may move up, they cannot move down) and will result in the offending team forfeiting that game.
3. **All Teams** are expected to play all of their scheduled games.
4. **Game Sheets** will be prepared in advance by tournament officials. Each team will be responsible for checking them for accuracy. The Home Team is listed first.
5. **Periods:** Three 17 minute stop time periods will be played for all Varsity 2 games with an ice cut after the 2nd period and before each game.
6. **Players Bench:** A maximum of 20 players with no more than 18 skaters. Only team players and a maximum of 4 team officials are permitted on the player's bench.
7. **Pre Game Warm Up:** Will be 5 minutes for all games. There will be a 1 minute rest break between periods when the ice is not being resurfaced. Ice will be cleaned before each game. Teams are asked to be prompt in taking the ice before the game begins and after resurfacing. Every effort will be made to keep the tournament on schedule.
8. **Points:** Will be awarded as follow:

Regulation win-3 Points; OT/SO win 2-Points; OT/SO Loss-1 Point; Regulation loss-0 Points
9. **Division standings:** Will be determined by total points. In case of a ties, standings will be determined as follows:

Note, if a team forfeits any game, the forfeit shall be recorded as a 2-0 victory for the opposing team.

- a. Head to head
- b. Fewest goals allowed in division games.

- c. Best +/--differential, goal quotient(a 6-4 win) quotient=.600 6/10
 - d. Fewest penalty minutes
 - e. If the teams remain tied based upon the formula above, the tournament committee will flip a coin to determine the team advancing to the Championship Game.
10. **Finals(V2):** The pairing of the top team in each division. Seeds 1 & 2 Will be determined by total points. In case of a ties, seeds will be determined as follows:
- a. Fewest goals allowed in all round robin games.
 - b. Best +/--differential, goal quotient(a 6-4 win) quotient=.600 6/10
 - c. Fewest penalty minutes
 - d. If the teams remain tied based upon the formula above, the tournament committee will flip a coin to determine the team advancing to the semi-final game
11. **Overtime round robin games :** There will be a 5 minute 3v3 overtime period in the divisional round robin play. If still tied, a 1 player sudden death-shootout will ensue until a winner (Every skater must have 1 attempt before someone can go a 2nd time) (A player serving a penalty entering a shootout is not eligible to shoot)
- Overtime in theChampionship game.** After three periods, overtime sudden death victory will apply using a 10 minute period as follows. A) 1st overtime: goalie + 4 skaters, B) 2nd overtime: goalie + 3 skaters.
- A 10 minute overtime using format “B” will be used if the teams remain tied after the 2nd overtime and continue until a winner is decided. No team will skate with less than 3 skaters on the ice. All penalties that are carried over from regulation or that are called in overtime warrants the penalized team to be short handed by one (or more) players with no fewer than three skaters on the ice.
12. **3rd and 4th place:** No consolation games.
13. **Officials:** All Varsity 2 games will have 3 referees up until finals and then will have a 4-person officiating crew. The tournament committee has attempted to bring together the best high school hockey teams and officials in order to make this tournament a continued success (with the shortage of referees in the state some Varsity games may only have 2 referees).

14. **Penalties:** USA hockey rules shall prevail. Minor – 2 minutes; Major – 5 minutes; Misconduct – 10 minutes. Players receiving a Major penalty for fighting will be automatically ejected from the game and will be suspended from playing in the next tournament game. A “third man in” penalty will also automatically result in ejection from the game and 1 game suspension. There is no appeal process concerning suspensions during the tournament. CHECKING FROM BEHIND penalties will be rigorously enforced. A 2-minute Minor will be accompanied by a misconduct. A 5-minute Major will be accompanied by a game Misconduct and ejection. To be clear, any player receiving 4 penalties of any duration during a game will be automatically suspended for the balance of the game, plus the next tournament game.
15. **Running time:** Running time will be utilized during round robin play for games in which the goal differential is 5 goals or more, regardless of the period, until the goal differential is less than 5 goals. During the championship game, running time shall occur during the 3rd period only, if necessary. **Running time will continue during all penalties. It will stop for injuries, or a time-out.**
16. **Time outs:** One 1 minute timeout will be allowed for each team in each game. The time out should be called by the team captain or alternate.
17. **No protests will be allowed. All decisions of the tournament committee will be final.**
18. Neither Loyola Academy High School, nor the Loyola Academy Hockey Club shall provide any medical insurance for participants, team officials, or fans. Medical facilities/area hospitals are available if needed. No on-site emergency medical staff or athletic trainers will be available. Each team is asked to supply its own first aid equipment and support/athletic trainers. Emergency medical assistance can be obtained by dialing 911.