Division 1 – 2026 Boys Lacrosse Regionals Assignments

65 teams Preseason seeded teams (boldface) selected by the Lacrosse Committee Oct. 2025

Regional 1st Round: May 14-18 or earlier (at home sites of top team)

Regional Semifinal: May 20-22 at Regional Host Regional Final: May 26 or 27 at Regional Host

MHSAA Quarter Final: May 29 or 30 at Regional Host TBD # Possible Statewide Quarterfinal Host

MHSAA Semifinal: June 3, 2026 MHSAA Final: June 6, 2026

Region 1-1 | HOST TBD

SF-TBD | F-TBD

Grand Haven Grandville

Holland West Ottawa

Hudsonville Jenison

Muskegon Mona Shores (MCC, WMC, Fruitport)*

Rockford

Zeeland West (Zeeland East)*

(8 teams)

Region 2-1 | HOST TBD

SF-TBD | F-TBD

East Kentwood

Grand Ledge

Grand Rapids Christian (South Christian, Calvin Christian)* Grand Rapids Northview (West Catholic)*

Holt (Mason)*

Kalamazoo Central (Loy Norrix, Phoenix)*
Lansing Catholic (Lansing Christian, Waverly)*

Petoskey (Boyne City, Pet. St Michael, Harbor Springs)*

(8 teams)

Region 3-1 | HOST TBD

SF-TBD | F-TBD

Bay City Central (Frankenmuth, Freeland)*

Davison

Grand Blanc

Hartland

Ortonville Brandon (Holly)*

Oxford

Swartz Creek (Flushing)*

Waterford Kettering (Waterford Mott)*

(8 teams)

Region 4-1 | HOST TBD

SF-TBD | F-TBD

Clarkston

Lake Orion

Rochester

Rochester Adams[^]

Rochester Hills Stoney Creek

Trov

Troy Athens (Auburn Hills Avondale)*

Utica Eisenhower (Utica)*

(8 teams)

New Cooperative Programs: None

Teams Up from D2 to D1: Petoskey*, Rochester Hills Stoney Creek

New Teams in D1: None

Macomb L'Anse Creuse North

Check school calendars NOW for conflicts

SF-TBD | F-TBD

Birmingham Seaholm (Groves)*

Clinton Twp Chippewa Valley

Region 5-1 | HOST TBD

Macomb Dakota

Macomb L'Anse Creuse North New Baltimore Anchor Bay

Port Huron (Port Huron Northern)*

Romeo

St Clair (Marine City, Marysville)*

Utica Ford (Sterling Heights Stevenson)*

(9 teams)

Region 6-1 | HOST TBD

SF-TBD | F-TBD

Bloomfield Hills

Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice^

Brownstown Woodhaven

Detroit Cass Tech

Livonia Stevenson (Franklin, Churchill)*

North Farmington (Farmington)*

Royal Oak (Berkley)*

West Bloomfield

(8 teams)

Region 7-1 | HOST TBD

SF-TBD | F-TBD

Brighton

Howell

Jackson (Lumen, NW, Mich. Center, Parma Western)*

Northville

Novi

South Lyon East (South Lyon)*

Walled Lake Northern (WL Central, WL Northern)*

White Lake Lakeland (Highland-Milford)*

(8 teams)

Region 8-1 | HOST TBD

SF-TBD | F-TBD

Ann Arbor Huron

Ann Arbor Pioneer

Belleville

Canton

Detroit Catholic Central

Plymouth

Salem

Saline

(8 teams)

#Possible Quarterfinal Site

Division 2 – 2026 Boys Lacrosse Regionals Assignments

63 teams Preseason seeded teams (boldface) selected by the Lacrosse Committee Oct. 2025

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Check school calendars NOW for conflicts

Region 9-2 | HOST TBD

SF-TBD | F-TBD

Coopersville

East Grand Rapids

Grand Rapids Catholic Central

Grand Rapids Kenowa Hills (Comstock Park, Sparta)*

Muskegon Reeths-Puffer (North Muskegon)*

Spring Lake

Traverse City Central Traverse City West

(8 teams)

Region 10-2 | HOST TBD

SF-TBD | F-TBD

Battle Creek Harper Creek Battle Creek Lakeview

Battle Creek Pennfield (St. Phillip)*

Mattawan

Portage Central Portage Northern

Vicksburg (Kalamazoo Hackett)*

(7 teams)

Region 11-2 | HOST TBD

SF-TBD | F-TBD

Ada Forest Hills Eastern

Byron Center

Holland Christian (Hudsonville Unity Christian)*

DeWitt

East Lansing

Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central

Lowell

St Johns (Ovid-Elsie)*

(8 teams)

Region 12-2 | HOST TBD

SF-TBD | F-TBD

Ann Arbor Skyline

Chelsea Dexter Fenton

Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern

Linden Okemos Pinckney (8 teams)

Region 13-2 | HOST HOST TBD

SF-TBD | F-TBD

Bay City John Glenn (Saginaw Nouvel)*

Bay City Western Flint Powers Catholic Goodrich (Lake Fenton)* Haslett (Williamston)*

Midland

Midland HH Dow Saginaw Heritage

(8 teams)

Region 14-2 | HOST TBD

SF-TBD | F-TBD

Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood

Detroit Country Day

Harrison Township L'Anse Creuse

Lapeer

MH Bishop Foley (Lutheran North, Clawson)*

Orchard Lake St Mary's Pontiac Notre Dame Prep

Royal Oak Shrine (Everest, Lutheran NW, OLL)*

(8 teams)

Region 15-2 | HOST TBD

SF-TBD | F-TBD

Allen Park

Caledonia

Detroit U of D Jesuit Grosse Pointe North

Grosse Pointe South

Grosse Pointe Woods University Liggett

Riverview Gabriel Richard

Warren De La Salle

(8 teams)

Region 16-2 | HOST TBD

SF-TBD | F-TBD

Ann Arbor Father Gabriel Richard

Ann Arbor Greenhills

Dearborn Divine Child

Grosse Ile

Monroe St Mary Catholic Central

Tecumseh

Temperance Bedford

Ypsilanti Lincoln

(8 teams)

Teams Down from D1 to D2: None New Teams in D2: None

2025 Procedure & Criteria for Boys Lacrosse Regional Team Placement & Tournament Seeding

ALL teams should plan on playing a tournament game May 14-19 2025 (this is two Thursday's before Memorial Day). After this round, all games will be at the Regional Host: Semifinals May 20-22, 2026 and Regional Finals May 26 or 27. Regional semifinals may be played with MHSAA permission on Tues. May 19, 2026. Host sites and game times will be posted on MHSAA.com. Only three games are permitted in a week Monday-Sunday.

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PRE-SEASON SEEDING DETERMINED BY THE LACROSSE COMMITTEE Oct. 2025

Division 1 Pre-Season Seeded Teams:

- 1. Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice
- 2. Detroit Catholic Central
- 3. Rockford
- 4. Grand Ledge
- 5. Brighton
- 6. Hartland
- 7. Clarkston
- 8. Birmingham Seaholm

Division 2 Pre-Season Seeded Teams:

- 1. East Grand Rapids
- 2. Detroit Country Day
- 3. Mattawan
- 4. Haslett
- 5. Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern
- 6. Caledonia
- 7. Ada Forest Hills Eastern
- 8. Dearborn Divine Child

The Tournament seeding and Regional placement will follow the procedure and criteria defined below:

- 1. Prior to the October Boys Lacrosse Committee meeting, MHSAA staff will prepare **preliminary** Regional groupings based purely on geographical considerations; the 7-9 closest schools will be grouped together to form each of the 8 regions in both divisions.
- 2. At the October meeting, the Boys Lacrosse Committee will determine the top eight (8) teams in division based on the following criteria:

Criteria for Determining Regions at Pre-Season Tournament Committee Meeting October 2025:

Top Eight Teams by MHSAA Division ranked in descending order

Performance during the previous season (2025) which includes the following information:

- Overall Win Loss Record for games between MHSAA tournament teams
- Performance in MHSAA tournament possibly in a former division or as a cooperative program
- Michigan Power Ratings (MPR)
- Strength of schedule for games involving MHSAA tournament teams
- Head-to-Head competition and common Opponents against MHSAA tournament teams
- Professional Judgment of the Committee

If a tie exists, the criteria above will be used to break the tie, including consideration of the year prior to the most recent previous season (2024).

- 3. Following the selection of and ranking of the top eight (8) seeded teams in each division, these "preseason seeded teams," 1-8, will be placed in one of the 8 regions.
 - a. If a pre-season seeded team falls naturally within a geographic Regional grouping, that team will likely, but not always, be included in that region.
 - b. If more than one pre-season seeded team falls naturally within a geographic Region, one of the seeded teams will stay within the region, and the other seeded team(s) will be placed in another Regional at the discretion of the committee considering geography, a yearly rotation of higher seeded teams and possible Quarterfinal matchups. The committee has full discretion to place all preseason-seeded teams.

Late Season Seeding Determined by the Committee May 6, 2026

 Based on competition played during the current season and on or before the Monday before the lateseason seeding meeting (Mon. May 4, 2026), <u>all</u> teams (including pre-season seeded team) in each Region shall be seeded and ranked within the Region using the following criteria:

Criteria for Late-Season Seeding of Regional Brackets (May 6, 2026) - All Teams by Region

- 2025 Season Performance against MHSAA tournament teams only
- Michigan Power Ratings (MPR) for games involving MHSAA tournament teams only
- Strength of schedule for games involving MHSAA tournament teams only
- Head-to-head competition & common opponents against MHSAA tournament teams during the season
- Discretion of the Committee including the possible use of a blind draw.*

*Note: Under committee discretion, with the impact on MPR and limited results for the purposes of strength of schedule, head-to-head and common opponents, teams with fewer than 8 posted results against MHSAA tournament teams at the time of the Seeding Meeting could be negatively impacted with regard to Regional bracket and overall seeding. Out-of-state schools who are members of a Michigan league/conference will be considered MHSAA tournament teams for the purposes of MPR and seeding, but will not be eligible to participate in the MHSAA tournament.

- 2. Based on the above criteria the teams shall be ranked and placed on a Regional bracket. In the lower half of the seeded teams within each region, the committee may adjust seeding within two seeds to accommodate excessive travel for both teams in a first-round home-site game.
- 3. From the teams in each region established in October, each region will have one team designated as a seed; 1-8 determined by the committee. Based on the late-season seeds and possibly the overall strength of the region in each division, regions will be matched up at the Quarterfinal level according to the 1-8, 2-7, 3-6, 4-5 formula. These 1-8, 2-7, 3-6, 4-5 Quarterfinal matchups may change from the preseason seeding **but no team will be relocated from its original (October) region.** Regional champions carry the Regional seed with them through the tournament.
- 4. The Semifinal brackets will also be set (1 vs. 4; 2 vs. 3) using the criteria above for Late Season Seeding.
- 5. Prior to the May meeting, the MHSAA will procure host sites for each region. Regional 1st-round games will be played at the home sites with the higher seed hosting. Regional Semifinal and Regional Final games will be held at host sites.
- 6. All 16 Regional hosts will be asked to hold their facility to host a Quarterfinal game. MHSAA staff will then select Quarterfinal sites based on the geography of advancing teams.
- 7. Prior to the May meeting, MHSAA will present tentative Semifinal sites. A final decision on Semifinal sites will be made after the Quarterfinals based on geographic considerations of advancing teams.
- 8. Alternate site policy applies to all rounds but the Final (attempting to relocate games if both teams have travel).
- 9. Brackets will be posted on MHSAA.com by noon the day following the late season seeding committee meeting.

Note: Within the Committee, coaches are assigned regions each from the opposite division to focus on prior to the late-season seed meeting. The week prior to the meeting, these coaches will seek input via email or otherwise from the coaches in the regions they are reviewing regarding the seeding. The full Lacrosse Committee will then seed the brackets at the May meeting. The decisions of the Lacrosse Committee are final and not subject to appeal. It may be necessary for a small number of games played after the late season seeding meeting to factor into the seeding. It is also possible that a conference call of committee members may occur to finalize seeding.