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Atlantic Prep Athletic Conference Announces Salesianum as Seventh Member for 2026-27 Season

Philadelphia, PA – May 7, 2026 – The Atlantic Prep Athletic Conference (APAC), the Philadelphia region’s premier scholastic ice hockey conference, is proud to announce that Salesianum School of Wilmington, Delaware has been approved as the league’s seventh member institution, effective with the 2026–27 hockey season.

“On behalf of the APAC member schools, we are pleased to welcome Salesianum School to the conference,” said Steve Mackell, Chairman of the Atlantic Prep Athletic Conference. “Salesianum’s longstanding reputation for academic excellence, athletic achievement, and strong institutional values aligns perfectly with the mission of the APAC. Their addition further strengthens the quality and competitiveness of our league, and we look forward to their participation beginning in the 2026–27 season.”

A highly respected college preparatory school founded in 1903, Salesianum School has established a tradition of success across its athletic programs while maintaining a strong commitment to character formation, leadership, and academic achievement.

“We are incredibly excited for Salesianum Ice Hockey to join the Atlantic Prep Athletic Conference,” said Brian LeBlanc, Head Coach of Salesianum Ice Hockey. “This is a major step forward for our program and an opportunity to compete in what has quickly become the premier scholastic hockey league in the region. The APAC represents outstanding competition, tradition, and sportsmanship, and we are proud to be part of a conference that aligns so well with the values and culture of Salesianum Hockey. Our players, families, and alumni are looking forward to the challenge and excitement that comes with this next chapter.”

Beginning with the 2026–27 season, Salesianum School will compete alongside the following APAC member institutions:

- La Salle College High School
- Holy Ghost Preparatory School
- Malvern Preparatory School
- St. Joseph’s Preparatory School
- The Hun School
- Devon Preparatory School

About the Atlantic Prep Athletic Conference (APAC) Founded in 2017, the Atlantic Prep Athletic Conference is the first pure scholastic ice hockey conference in the Philadelphia area. The APAC provides a competitive platform where student-athletes can thrive in both academics and hockey by competing against like-minded independent preparatory schools in a conference dedicated exclusively to high school ice hockey.

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