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Hockey East Boasts 23 Players and Commits Taken in 2022 NHL Draft League Once Again Leads All of College Hockey With Most Players Selected

AMESBURY, Mass. - The Hockey East Association saw 23 current players and recruits selected in the 2022 National Hockey League Entry Draft, representing eight of the 11 Hockey East member schools. Hockey East's 23 selections were once again the most of any college hockey conference and represent over one third of the 66 NCAA players and recruits chosen. A full list of Hockey East players taken can be found below.

Of the 23 players, Northeastern's **Jack Hughes** (LA Kings, Round 2, Pick 51) and Vermont's **Joel Maatta** (Edmonton Oilers, Round 7, Pick 222) spent the 2021-22 season in Hockey East. In total, Hockey East had 14 forwards, seven defensemen, and two goaltenders chosen. Northeastern led all NCAA schools with seven players selected, while Massachusetts boasted four, Boston University and Vermont both claimed three incoming freshmen picked, Boston College and UConn recruited two each, while New Hampshire and Providence have one drafted player joining their ranks next season.

In total, 15 of the current 32 NHL clubs selected at least one current or future Hockey East player in the 2022 NHL Entry Draft. The selections were highlighted by five picks in the first two rounds, including incoming Boston College forward **Carter Gauthier** (Philadelphia Flyers) at fifth overall. The pick gives Boston College at least one player selected for the 27th consecutive draft, tying the all-time NCAA record held by Minnesota (1974-2000).

The impressive showing at the 2022 NHL Entry Draft concludes a record-breaking 2021-22 NHL season for Hockey East alumni. In total, 109 Hockey East alumni appeared in at least one NHL game, representing nearly one-third of the 348 NCAA alumni to play in the NHL last season. All 11 current men's member institutions had at least one former player represented. In addition, all 32 NHL teams had at least one Hockey East product in the lineup at some point during the regular season. Hockey East claimed six 2022 NHL All-Stars, and boasts over 100 NHL players for the second year in a row

Three Hockey East Association alumni were crowned Stanley Cup Champions, as the Colorado Avalanche captured the NHL's top prize for the third time in franchise history. Etching their names on the most recognizable trophy in sports were **Cale Makar** (Massachusetts, 2017-19), who also won the Conn Smythe Trophy as the playoff MVP, **Josh Manson** (Northeastern, 2011-14) and **Alex Newhook** (Boston College, 2019-21). Hockey East has now claimed at least one Stanley Cup champion for the 12th year in a row. Joining the trio as champions are two other products of Hockey East schools, including Development Coach **Brett Clark** (Maine, 1995-96) and scout **Neil Shea** (Boston College, 1982-86).

Hockey East Players or Recruits Selected in the 2022 NHL Entry Draft

Rd.	Pick	Player	Pos.	Nationality	NHL Team	NCAA Team	2021-22 Team
1	5	Carter Gauthier	F	USA	PHI	Boston College	U.S. NTDP
2	34	Cameron Lund	F	USA	SJS	Northeastern	Green Bay (USHL)
2	51	Jack Hughes	F	USA	LAK	Northeastern	Northeastern (HE)
2	57	Ryan Greene	F	Canada	CHI	Boston University	Green Bay (USHL)
2	62	Lane Hutson	D	USA	MTL	Boston University	U.S. NTDP
3	69	Devin Kaplan	F	USA	PHI	Boston University	U.S. NTDP
3	76	Michael Fisher	D	USA	SJS	Northeastern	St. Mark's School (Prep)
4	103	Kenny Connors	F	USA	LAK	Massachusetts	Dubuque (USHL)
4	114	Cole O'Hara	F	Canada	NSH	Massachusetts	Tri-City (USHL)
4	126	Charlie Leddy	D	USA	NJD	Boston College	U.S. NTDP
4	128	Cameron Whitehead	G	Canada	VGK	Northeastern	Lincoln (USHL)
5	133	Alex Bump	F	USA	PHI	Vermont	Omaha (USHL)
5	143	Cameron O'Neill	F	USA	OTT	Massachusetts	Mount St. Charles Academy
6	165	Hunter McDonald	D	USA	PHI	Northeastern	Chicago (USHL)
6	170	Jake Richard	F	USA	BUF	UConn	Muskegon (USHL)
6	172	Joey Muldowney	F	USA	SJS	UConn	Nichols School (Prep)
6	176	Jackson Dorrington	D	USA	VAN	Northeastern	Des Moines (USHL)
6	189	Tyler Muszelik	G	USA	FLA	New Hampshire	U.S. NTDP
6	193	Chris Romaine	D	USA	COL	Providence	Milton Academy (Prep)
7	195	Eli Barnett	D	Canada	SJS	Vermont	Victoria (BCHL)
7	203	James Fisher	F	USA	CBJ	Northeastern	Belmont Hill School (Prep)
7	206	Tyson Dyck	F	Canada	OTT	Massachusetts	Cranbrook (BCHL)
7	222	Joel Maatta	F	Finland	EDM	Vermont	Vermont (HE)

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