

All-Time Associated Press Poll Champions



Below are The Associated Press state boys basketball poll winners with regular-season record (capital letters denotes also won state championship). Winning a poll title is certainly no guarantee of cutting down the nets in the state championship game. Only 35 of the 204 poll winners over the past 61 years — just a 16.5 percent success rate — have followed up a No. 1 ranking by winning the state title on the court. History was made in 2005 when three of the four state poll No. 1 teams also won it all at Value City Arena. That is the only time in Ohio girls or boys basketball that three teams were poll champs and state champs.

- 1950** — All Classes: Findlay (18-0)
1951 — Class A: Hamilton (13-1); Class B: Corning (18-0)
1952 — Class A: Hamilton Public (17-1); Class B: Miller City (18-1)
1953 — Class A: Dayton Stivers (16-1); Class B: Lockland Wayne (18-3)
1954 — Class A: Middletown (16-2); Class B: Lockland Wayne (19-2)
1955 — Class A: Columbus East (19-1); Class B: Vienna (23-0)
1956 — Class A: MIDDLETOWN (17-0); Class B: Willshire (21-0)
1957 — Class AA: Cleveland Latin (17-0); Class A: Troy-Luckey (19-1)
1958 — Class AA: Middletown (17-0); Class A: Glenford (21-0)
1959 — Class AA: CLEVELAND EAST TECH (16-0); Class A: Northwestern (Wayne) (18-2)
1960 — Class AA: DAYTON ROOSEVELT (17-0); Class A: Northwestern (Wayne) (18-0)
1961 — Class AA: Cincinnati Elder (18-0); Class A: DEFIANCE AYERSVILLE (20-0)
1962 — Class AA: Cleveland East Tech (16-0); Class A: Defiance Ayersville (20-0)
1963 — Class AA: Middletown (16-0); Class A: Columbus University (18-0)
1964 — Class AA: DAYTON BELMONT (16-1); Class A: Zanesville Rosecrans (18-0)
1965 — Class AA: Canton McKinley (18-0); Class A: Celina Immaculate Conception (16-2)
1966 — Class AA: Canton McKinley (17-1); Class A: Bridgeport (18-0)
1967 — Class AA: Columbus East (16-0); Class A: Ames-Bern (20-0)
1968 — Class AA: COLUMBUS EAST (16-0); Class A: Northwestern (Wayne) (17-1)
1969 — Class AA: COLUMBUS EAST (17-0); Class A: Strasburg (18-0)
1970 — Class AA: DAYTON CHAMINADE (18-0); Class A: Chillicothe Zane Trace (20-0)
1971 — Class AAA: COLUMBUS WALNUT RIDGE (17-0); Class AA: Wellsville (18-0); Class A: Sidney Lehman (17-1)
1972 — Class AAA: Celina (18-0); Class AA: Lexington (18-0); Class A: INDIAN VALLEY SOUTH (18-0)
1973 — Class AAA: Canton Lehman (18-0); Class AA: Waverly (17-1); Class A: Indian Valley South (18-0)
1974 — Class AAA: Canton McKinley (18-0); Class AA: Wellsville (18-0); Class A: Mansfield St. Peter's (19-1)
1975 — Class AAA: Middletown (16-0); Class AA: Circleville (18-0); Class A: Mansfield St. Peter's (18-2)
1976 — Class AAA: Canton McKinley (18-0); Class AA: Delphos St. John's (18-0); Class A: INDIAN VALLEY SOUTH (17-1)
1977 — Class AAA: Barberton (18-0); Class AA: West Lafayette Ridgewood (18-0); Class A: Morral Ridgedale (16-1)
1978 — Class AAA: Akron Central-Hower (18-0); Class AA: Warsaw River View (17-1); Class A: Windham (17-0)
1979 — Class AAA: Cincinnati Withrow (18-0); Class AA: Portsmouth (18-0); Class A: Indian Valley South (17-1)
1980 — Class AAA: AKRON CENTRAL-HOWER (20-0); Class AA: Warren Kennedy (19-0); Class A: Mogadore (20-0)
1981 — Class AAA: Canton McKinley (20-0); Class AA: Willard (20-0); Class A: Kinsman Badger (20-0)
1982 — Class AAA: Columbus Northland (17-1); Class AA: Willard (19-0); Class A: Sidney Lehman (20-0)
1983 — Class AAA: Warren Western Reserve (20-0); Class AA: Whitehall-Yearling (20-0); Class A: DELPHOS ST. JOHN'S (19-0)
1984 — Class AAA: Springfield South (20-0); Class AA: Mansfield Malabar (19-1); Class A: Wellsville (20-0)
1985 — Class AAA: Kettering Archbishop Alter (20-0); Class AA: Mansfield Malabar (20-0); Class A: Columbus Wehrle (20-0)
1986 — Class AAA: Barberton (19-1); Class AA: Bexley (20-0); Class A: COLUMBUS WEHRLE (19-1)
1987 — Class AAA: Kettering Archbishop Alter (19-1); Class AA: Oberlin (20-0); Class A: Columbus Wehrle (20-0)
1988 — Division I: Dayton Dunbar (17-1); Division II: Youngstown Liberty (20-0); Division III: HAMILTON BADIN (20-0); Division IV: COLUMBUS WEHRLE (18-2)
1989 — Division I: TOLEDO MACOMBER (19-1); Division II: Chesterland West Geauga (20-0); Division III: Petersburg Springfield (20-0); Division IV: Springfield Catholic Central (20-0)
1990 — Division I: TOLEDO SCOTT (19-1); Division II: Kettering Archbishop Alter (18-2); Division III: Youngstown Liberty (18-0); Division IV: New Madison Tri-Village (20-0)
1991 — Division I: West Chester Lakota (19-1); Division II: Willard (18-0); Division III: Zanesville West Muskingum (20-0); Division IV: ST. HENRY (19-1)
1992 — Division I: Canton McKinley (18-1); Division II: Bellefontaine (19-0); Division III: Chesapeake (20-0); Division IV: Fort Loramie (19-0)
1993 — Division I: Stow (18-1); Division II: Willard (19-0); Division III: Chesapeake (20-0); Division IV: Lima Central Catholic (18-0)
1994 — Division I: Stow (18-0); Division II: Cleveland Benedictine (18-0); Division III: Lima Central Catholic (18-0); Division IV: Centerburg (20-0)
1995 — Division I: Cleveland Heights (18-1); Division II: Dover (20-0); Division III: Aurora (18-1); Division IV: Worthington Christian (20-0)
1996 — Division I: Zanesville (20-0); Division II: ORRVILLE (18-1); Division III: Archbold (19-0); Division IV: Van Wert Lincolnview (18-0)
1997 — Division I: Zanesville (19-1); Division II: Kettering Archbishop Alter (17-2); Division III: Warren Kennedy (18-0); Division IV: VAN WERT LINCOLNVIEW (19-0)
1998 — Division I: LAKEWOOD ST. EDWARD (18-1); Division II: Canal Fulton Northwest (19-0); Division III: Ontario (18-0); Division IV: Jackson Center (19-1)
1999 — Division I: Celina (19-0); Division II: Akron Archbishop Hoban (18-0); Division III: BEDFORD CHANEL (17-0); Division IV: Sebring McKinley (18-0)
2000 — Division I: Toledo Libbey (18-0); Division II: Wooster Triway (18-0); Division III: AKRON ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY (18-0); Division IV: Worthington Christian (20-0)
2001 — Division I: Columbus Brookhaven (20-0); Division II: Wooster Triway (19-0); Division III: AKRON ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY (15-1); Division IV: Maria Stein Marion Local (17-2)
2002 — Division I: Toledo St. John's Jesuit (18-0); Division II: AKRON ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY (15-3); Division III: Waynesville (19-1); Division IV: South Charleston Southeastern (20-0)
2003 — Division I: Columbus Brookhaven (18-1); Division II: Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary (17-1); Division III: Sugarcreek Garaway (19-1); Division IV: Tiffin Calvert (18-0)
2004 — Division I: North Canton Hoover (19-0); Division II: LaGrange Keystone (20-0); Division III: Cincinnati North College Hill (20-0); Division IV: Arlington (19-0)
2005 — Division I: CANTON MCKINLEY (17-1); Division II: Upper Sandusky (18-0); Division III: Cincinnati North College Hill (19-1); Division IV: Columbus Africentric Secondary (19-1)
2006 — Division I: CANTON MCKINLEY (17-2); Division II: Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary (16-1); Division III: Cincinnati North College Hill (19-1); Division IV: Ottoville (18-0)
2007 — Division I: Lakewood St. Edward (20-0); Division II: Greenfield McClain (20-0); Division III: Findlay Liberty-Benton (18-0); Division IV: New Knoxville (19-0)
2008 — Division I: Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller (19-1); Division II: Poland Seminary (18-0); Division III: Findlay Liberty-Benton (19-0); Division IV: NEW KNOXVILLE (19-0)
2009 — Division I: COLUMBUS NORTHLAND (19-1); Division II: St. Paris Graham Local (19-0); Division III: Smithville (18-0); Division IV: New Knoxville (19-0)
2010 — Division I: Columbus Northland (20-0); Division II: Akron Buchtel (19-0); Division III: Findlay Liberty-Benton (18-0); Division IV: Newark Catholic (18-0)

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- 2011** — Division I: Garfield Heights (19-0); Division II: Dayton Dunbar (18-2); Division III: CINCINNATI TAFT (17-1); Division IV: Zanesville Bishop Rosecrans (20-0)
- 2012** — Division I: Columbus Northland (19-1); Division II: DAYTON DUNBAR (20-0); Division III: Carroll Bloom-Carroll (20-0); Division IV: Jackson Center (20-0)
- 2013** — Division I: Columbus Northland (22-0); Division II: Dayton Thurgood Marshall (21-1); Division III: Cincinnati Summit Country Day (21-2); Division IV: New Madison Tri-Village (22-0)

- 2014** — Division I: Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller (19-1); Division II: Mansfield Ontario (20-0); Division III: Beachwood (19-2); Division IV: CONVOY CRESTVIEW (21-0)
- 2015** — Division I: Sylvania Southview (21-0); Division II: Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary (20-0); Division III: CLEVELAND VILLA-ANGELA-ST. JOSEPH (15-3); Division IV: NEW MADISON TRI-VILLAGE (21-0)
- 2016** — Division I: Huber Heights Wayne (22-0); Division II: New Concord John Glenn (21-1); Division III: Lima Central Catholic (19-1); Division IV: Van Wert Lincolnview (20-1)

OHSAA Boys Basketball Superlatives



Most Consecutive State Championships (three or more)

No.	School, Years
3	Cincinnati North College Hill, 2005-06-07
3	Columbus Wehrle, 1988-89-90
3	Dayton Stivers, 1928-29-30

Most Consecutive Tournament Wins

No.	School, Years
29	Columbus Wehrle, 1988-89-90-91
25	Cincinnati North College Hill, 2005-06-07-08
20	Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary, 2000-01-02
18	Dayton Dunbar, 2006-07-08
16*	Columbus East, 1968-69-70 (East won back-to-back titles in 1968 and 1969, winning 16 straight tournament games in the process. The 1970 bracket that follows their two-year title reign is unavailable to determine the length of the winning streak. Consequently, the possibility that this tournament winning streak might place higher on this list isn't known.)

** Dayton Stivers won three consecutive state titles in 1928, 1929 and 1930. Those three tournament brackets and the 1931 tournament bracket are unavailable to determine length of winning streak. Consequently, the possibility that this tournament winning streak was long enough for inclusion on this list isn't known.

** Middletown also won back-to-back titles three times in 1946 and 1947, 1952 and 1953 and 1956 and 1957. Those brackets, as well as the brackets subsequent years after their two-year title reigns (1948, 1954 and 1958) are unavailable to determine the length of the winning streak. Consequently, the possibility that these tournament winning streaks were long enough for inclusion on this list isn't known.

Most Years in the State Tournament (through 2015)

28	– Canton McKinley
15	– Portsmouth
14	– Cleveland Villa Angela-St. Joseph
14	– Middletown
12	– Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary
12	– Zanesville
11	– Cleveland East Technical
11	– Delphos St. John's
10	– Columbus East
9	– Berlin Hiland
9	– Dayton Dunbar
9	– Kettering Archbishop Alter
9	– Lakewood St. Edward
9	– Toledo Scott

Most Consecutive Years in the State Tournament

School	Years	Results
Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary	2000, 01, 02, 03	State Champions 03, 01, 00, Runners-Up 02
Akron West	1931, 32, 33, 34, 35	State Champions 32
Bridgeport	1936, 37, 38, 39	Did not advance to championship game
Canton McKinley	1928, 29, 30, 31	Runners-Up in 28 and 31
Cleveland East Tech	1958, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63	State Champions 58, 59, Runners-Up 60, 62
Columbus Brookhaven	2001, 02, 03, 04	State Champions 02, Runners-Up 03
Columbus Wehrle	1988, 89, 90, 91	State Champions 88, 89, 90
Gnadenhutten Indian Valley South	1972, 73, 74, 75, 76	State Champions 72, 76, Runners-Up 73, 75
Middletown	1944, 45, 46, 47	State Champions 44, 46, 47, Runners-Up 45
Middletown	1956, 57, 58, 59	State Champions 56, 57
Mogadore	1983, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88	Runners-Up 87, 88
Oberlin	1925, 26, 27, 28	State Champions 26, Runners-Up 25, 27