

MOHAWKS FALL IN THE SEMIFINALS



The Morgantown Mohawks Fall to the Burrell Buccaneers in Overtime

On March 12, 2026, the PIHL Division 2 semifinals put on quite the show at the RMU Island Sports Complex. In the first game of the night, the No. 1 Morgantown Mohawks were upset by the No. 5 Burrell Buccaneers. Morgantown beat Burrell in the PIHL championship game last year, and has represented West Virginia at the USA Hockey High School National Championships the previous two years. Will the Mohawks be able to rebound?



Petrucci Leads the Way

The Mohawks came out of the gate strong with No. 88 Dominic Petrucci scoring their two goals. His first goal came at the 13:46 mark, as Petrucci stole a pass in Burrell's zone and shot the puck five-hole. Burrell responded six minutes later. The second period was scoreless, but Petrucci reclaimed Morgantown's lead 48 seconds into the third. The Mohawks held that lead for over 16 minutes before Burrell sent the game to overtime.



Looking Forward

So what comes next for this Mohawks team? In short, their season is over --- no more playoffs, no nationals. Maybe next year.

But what does next year look like? The team needs to rebuild. They are losing valuable seniors, so it's up to the current juniors and sophomors to take up leadership positions. Morgantown needs, for lack of better words, to play like a team, not individuals. Sure, these kids all play on travel teams, but the only way for them to get back to nationals --- or the PIHL championship game --- is to play as the team. There can be no more puck hogging; there should be more puck passing. Hopefully we'll see "Morgantown" on the trophy next year.

