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DON WADDELL

President of Hockey Operations, General Manager and Alternate Governor

Don Waddell was named the president of hockey operations, general manager and alternate governor for the Columbus Blue Jackets on May 29, 2024. He oversees all hockey operations activities for the club. In his first season as president and general manager,

the Blue Jackets finished with a 40-33-9 record (89 points) and fourth-place finish in the Metropolitan Division in 2024-25 and posted the largest win and point improvement in the NHL from 2023-24 (27-43-12, 66 points).

Prior to Columbus, Waddell spent 10 years with the Carolina Hurricanes, serving as team president from 2014-18 and as team president and general manager from 2018-24. In six seasons with Waddell as general manager, Carolina compiled a 278-130-44 record to rank second in the NHL in points percentage (.664; Boston - .695) and third in wins (Boston - 289, Tampa Bay - 283).

The Hurricanes won three division titles (2021-Central, 2022 and 2023-Metropolitan), advanced to the Stanley Cup Playoffs each year and earned trips to the Eastern Conference Finals twice (2019, 2023) during that time. Prior to his taking over as general manager, Carolina missed the playoffs in 11 of the 12 previous seasons.

Waddell began his NHL career in 1997-98 and won a Stanley Cup championship as an assistant general manager with the Detroit Red Wings. The following year, he joined the expansion Atlanta Thrashers as vice president of hockey operations and general manager and served in that role until 2010 when he was named team president. He also served as executive vice president and co-chair of the executive committee of the Atlanta Spirit, the parent company of the Thrashers, the National Basketball

Association's Atlanta Hawks and Philips Arena. He then had a three-year stint as a consultant and pro scout with the Pittsburgh Penguins before arriving in Carolina in 2014.

The Detroit, Michigan native has also served in several capacities with USA Hockey during his career. In 2013, he was named international consultant with a special focus on player identification and interface with the U.S. National Junior Team and USA Hockey's National Team Development Program. He served as general manager for Team USA at the 2006 Winter Olympic Games in Turin, Italy, and at the 2001, 2002 and 2005 International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF) World Championships. As a player, he helped Team USA to win the gold medal at the 1983 IIHF World Championships.

Prior to embarking on his NHL management career, Waddell spent a decade as executive vice president and general manager of International Hockey League (IHL) franchises in San Diego (1990-95) and Orlando (1995-97) and was twice named IHL Executive of the Year (1992-93, 1995-96). In Orlando, he was vice president of RDV Sports and served on the executive committee that oversaw the NBA's Orlando Magic, the IHL's Orlando Solar Bears and the company's retail and aviation interests.

Waddell played four seasons of Division I collegiate hockey as a defenseman and majored in business management at Northern Michigan University from 1976-80. He was a seventh-round pick of the Los Angeles Kings at the 1978 NHL Draft and spent three years with the organization. He went on to play parts of nine seasons as a professional, mostly in the IHL. He also served as head coach of the IHL's San Diego Gulls in 1991-92 and was interim head coach of the Thrashers on two occasions (2002-03, 2007-08) during his tenure with the club.





JOSH FLYNN Assistant General Manager

Josh Flynn was named assistant general manager for the Blue Jackets on June 13, 2019 after previously serving as the director of hockey administration. He is responsible for assisting in all facets of the hockey operations department, including salary cap management,

contract negotiations and research, salary arbitration, statistical research and strategic planning, and is the club's liaison to the National Hockey League on matters pertaining to the NHL-NHLPA collective bargaining agreement.

Flynn joined the Blue Jackets hockey operations department in June 2008 after spending the previous two seasons with KO Sports Agency in Denver, Colorado, where he worked on contract negotiations for several NHL players represented by the agency.

Flynn was born on Dec. 8, 1982 in Toronto, Ontario. He received a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Toronto in 2004 and earned his Juris Doctorate from the Sturm College of Law at the University of Denver in 2007.



RICK NASH Director OF Hockey Operations

Rick Nash was named the club's director of hockey operations in September 2024. He returned to the Blue Jackets as a special assistant to the general manager in June 2019 before being promoted to the club's director of player development in June 2021.

In his new role, the 41-year-old is involved in all aspects of the team's hockey operations department and continues to oversee the development and advancement of players throughout the organization.

Nash spent his first nine NHL seasons with Columbus after the club selected him with the first overall pick at the 2002 NHL Draft and served as the club's captain from 2008-12. He is the franchise's all-time leader in games played, goals, assists and points as he registered 289-258-547 and 568 penalty minutes in 674 games from 2002-12. On Mar. 5, 2022, he became the first player in franchise history to have his number - 61-retired.

Nash was a finalist for the Calder Memorial Trophy as the NHL's top rookie and an All-Rookie Team selection in 2002-03. He won the Maurice "Rocket" Richard Trophy as the NHL's top goal scorer in 2003-04 when he notched 41-16-57 in 80 games and received the NHL Foundation Player Award in 2008-09 for his contributions off the ice and in the community. He appeared in five All-Star Games as a Blue Jacket (2004, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2011) and one as a Ranger (2015). In 1,060 career NHL games, he tallied 437-368-805 and 750 penalty minutes with the Blue Jackets, New York Rangers and Boston Bruins.

The Brampton, Ontario native was a stalwart for Canada in international competition as he represented his country at three Olympic Games (2006, 2010-gold and 2014-gold), four IIHF World Championships (2005-silver, 2007-gold, 2008-silver, 2011) and one IIHF World Junior Championship (2002-silver). He also served as the general manager for Team Canada at the 2024 IIHF World Championships in Czechia and earned a silver medal as the club's assistant general manager at the 2022 IIHF World Championships in Finland.



CHRIS CLARK Director of Player Personnel and GM of the Cleveland Monsters

Chris Clark was promoted to director of player personnel for the Blue Jackets on June 13, 2019 after spending the previous seven seasons with the club as a development coach and most recently its director of player development.

While continuing to be involved with the development of players throughout the organization, he also has an active role in evaluating personnel at the NHL level and serves as the general manager of the Cleveland Monsters, the club's American Hockey League affiliate, leading the club to its first division title in franchise history in 2023-24.

Internationally, Clark served as general manager of the United States Men's National Team that competed at the 2023 IIHF World Championships in Tampere, Finland.

A native of South Windsor, Connecticut, Clark registered 103-111-214 and 700 penalty minutes in 607 career NHL games with the Blue Jackets, Washington Capitals and Calgary Flames, including 8-12-20 and 59 penalty minutes in 89 games with Columbus from 2009-11. He spent four-plus seasons with the Capitals, tallying 60-63-123 and 278 penalty minutes in 240 games with the club and served as captain from 2006-09.

Calgary's third round pick, 77th overall, in the 1994 NHL Draft, Clark earned All-ECAC honors during four seasons at Clarkson University from 1994-98. He then spent six seasons in the Flames organization from 1998-04, and helped the club reach the 2004 Stanley Cup Final.



BASIL McRAE Director of Pro Scouting

Basil McRae was named the Blue Jackets' director of pro scouting in September 2024 after serving as an assistant general manager for the previous five seasons. He originally joined the franchise as a scout for the 2013-14 season and spent three

seasons as the club's director of player personnel from 2016-19.

McRae, who has been a part owner of the Ontario Hockey League's London Knights since 2000, also spent two years as alternate governor and general manager of the OHL club from 2014-16. London captured

OHL and Memorial Cup championships in 2016. Prior to his original stint in Columbus, McRae served as a scout for the St. Louis Blues for five seasons.

In addition to two decades of scouting experience, McRae played 16 seasons in the NHL between 1981-96, registering 53 goals and 83 assists for 136 points with 2,453 penalty minutes in 576 games with the Quebec Nordiques, Toronto Maple Leafs, Detroit Red Wings, Minnesota North Stars, Tampa Bay Lightning, St. Louis Blues and Chicago Blackhawks.

The Beaverton, Ontario native was a fifth round pick of Quebec in the 1980 NHL Draft. He and his wife, Jill, are the parents of son, Philip, and daughters, Alexandra and Abigail.



VILLE SIREN Director of Amateur Scouting

Ville Siren was named director of amateur scouting of the Columbus Blue Jackets on July 6, 2016 after serving as the club's head amateur scout since joining the organization on July 8, 2013.

Siren spent nine seasons as a member of the St. Louis Blues scouting staff from 2003-13. During that time, he was instrumental in the club's selection of current NHL players such as Vladimir Tarasenko (1st Rd., 2010), Lars Eller (1st Rd., 2007), Patrik Berglund (1st Rd., 2006), Nikita Nikitin (5th Rd., 2004) and Roman Polak (6th Rd., 2004).

Prior to joining the Blues, he spent the 2002-03 season working with Tampere of the Finnish Elite League and scouted for the Washington

Capitals from 1999-2002. A defenseman, Siren was selected by the Hartford Whalers in the second round, 23rd overall, at the 1983 NHL Draft and made his NHL debut with the Pittsburgh Penguins during the 1985-86 season. He went on to register 14 goals and 68 assists for 82 points with 276 penalty minutes in 290 career NHL games with the Penguins and Minnesota North Stars from 1985-90.

He also played nine seasons in Finland, Sweden and Switzerland before retiring in 1999, and represented Finland in numerous international competitions including the 1984 and 1992 Olympic Games, 1987 and 1991 Canada Cup tournaments, 1983 and 1984 World Junior Championships and 1985, 1991 and 1993 World Championships.



TREVOR TIMMINS Assistant Director of Amateur Scouting

Trevor Timmins joined the Columbus Blue Jackets as assistant director of amateur scouting in 2022, bringing nearly three decades of NHL experience to the club's hockey operations department.

Timmins comes to Columbus after spending two decades with the Montreal Canadiens, joining the

organization in 2002 as director of player development. In 2013-14, he served as director of player personnel and the following year was named vice president of player personnel. He served as the club's assistant general manager from 2017-21.

Prior to joining the Canadiens, the Almonte, Ontario native was a member of the Ottawa Senators organization for 10 years, including as the club's director of player development from 1998-02.

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NHL CENTRAL SCOUTING RANKINGS

2025 TOP 100 NORTH AMERICAN SKATERS

Rank	Midterm RK	Player	Ht	Wt	Position	Team	League
1.	1.	Schaefer, Matthew	6'2"	186	Defenseman	Erie	OHL
2.	3.	Misa, Michael	6'1"	182	Center	Saginaw	OHL
3.	2.	Hagens, James	5'10"	186	Center	Boston College	H-EAST
4.	8.	O'Brien, Jake	6'2"	177	Center	Brantford	OHL
5.	6.	Mrtka, Radim	6'6"	218	Defenseman	Seattle	WHL
6.	4.	Martone, Porter	6'3"	204	Right Wing	Brampton	OHL
7.	7.	Desnoyers, Caleb	6'2"	182	Center	Moncton	QMJHL
8.	5.	McQueen, Roger	6'5"	198	Center	Brandon	WHL
9.	15.	Aitcheson, Kashawn	6'2"	199	Defenseman	Barrie	OHL
10.	11.	Bear, Carter	6'0"	179	Left Wing	Everett	WHL
11.	17.	Martin, Brady	6'0"	186	Center	Sault Ste. Marie	OHL
12.	10.	Hensler, Logan	6'2"	198	Defenseman	Wisconsin	BIG10
13.	9.	Smith, Jackson	6'4"	199	Defenseman	Tri-City	WHL
14.	12.	Lakovic, Lynden	6'4"	200	Left Wing	Moose Jaw	WHL
15.	16.	Nesbitt, Jack	6'4"	186	Center	Windsor	OHL
16.	13.	Carbonneau, Justin	6'1"	205	Right Wing	Blainville-Boisbriand	QMJHL
17.	14.	Spence, Malcolm	6'1"	190	Left Wing	Erie	OHL
18.	18.	Boumedienne, Sascha	6'2"	184	Defenseman	Boston University	H-EAST
19.	19.	Brzustewicz, Henry	6'2"	203	Defenseman	London	OHL
20.	21.	Cootes, Braeden	6'0"	186	Center	Seattle	WHL
21.	20.	Kindel, Benjamin	5'10"	180	Center	Calgary	WHL
22.	22.	Potter, Cullen	5'10"	172	Center	Arizona State	NCHC
23.	27.	Reid, Cameron	6'0"	183	Defenseman	Kitchener	OHL
24.	28.	Horcoff, William	6'5"	203	Center	Michigan	BIG10
25.	34.	Reschny, Cole	5'11"	180	Center	Victoria	WHL
26.	24.	Fiddler, Blake	6'4"	220	Defenseman	Edmonton	WHL
27.	50.	West, Mason	6'6"	218	Center	Edina	High-MN
28.	40.	Lee, Ryker	6'0"	185	Right Wing	Madison	USHL
29.	32.	Moore, William	6'2"	180	Center	USA U-18	NTDP
30.	25.	Murtagh, Jack	6'0"	198	Left Wing	USA U-18	NTDP
31.	29.	Zonnon, Bill	6'2"	185	Right Wing	Rouyn-Noranda	QMJHL
32.	33.	McKinney, Cole	6'0"	200	Center	USA U-18	NTDP
33.	36.	Vansaghi, Shane	6'2"	212	Right Wing	Michigan State	BIG10
34.	23.	Wang, Haoxi	6'6"	222	Defenseman	Oshawa	OHL
35.	3.	Ryabkin, Ivan	5'11"	210	Center	Muskegon	USHL
36.	46.	Nestrasil, Vaclav	6'6"	185	Right Wing	Muskegon	USHL
37.	42.	Gard, Matthew	6'5"	195	Center	Red Deer	WHL
38.	48.	Paupanekis, Hayden	6'5"	202	Center	Kelowna	WHL
39.	26.	Kettles, Peyton	6'5"	195	Defenseman	Swift Current	WHL
40.	8.	Psenicka, Max	6'5"	185	Defenseman	Portland	WHL
41.	39.	Amico, Carter	6'6"	232	Defenseman	USA U-18	NTDP
42.	51.	Rombach, Jacob	6'6"	209	Defenseman	Lincoln	USHL
43.	30.	Schmidt, Cameron	5'8"	160	Right Wing	Vancouver	WHL
44.	31.	Behm, Nathan	6'2"	202	Right Wing	Kamloops	WHL
45.	43.	Fondrk, Conrad	6'0"	202	Center	USA U-18	NTDP
46.	37.	Trethewey, Charlton	6'1"	200	Defenseman	USA U-18	NTDP
47.	45.	Epperson, Kristian	5'11"	180	Left Wing	Saginaw	OHL
48.	35.	Romano, Luca	5'11"	177	Center	Kitchener	OHL
49.	41.	Czata, Ethan	6'2"	178	Center	Niagara	OHL
50.	81.	Gorzynski, Brandon	6'2"	185	Center	Calgary	WHL

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Rank	Midterm RK	Player	Ht	Wt	Position	Team	League
51.	52.	Lewandowski, David	6'1"	177	Left Wing	Saskatoon	WHL
52.	68.	Hopkins, Tyler	6'1"	184	Center	Kingston	OHL
53.	54.	Moe, Mason	6'1"	192	Center	Madison	USHL
54.	69.	Martin, Owen	6'0"	185	Center	Spokane	WHL
55.	44.	Kevan, Ben	6'0"	179	Right Wing	Des Moines	USHL
56.	53.	Nobert, Mateo	6'0"	166	Center	Blainville-Boisbriand	QMJHL
57.	86.	Lafreniere, Tommy	6'0"	175	Right Wing	Kamloops	WHL
58.	60.	Benak, Adam	5'7"	164	Center	Youngstown	USHL
59.	62.	Mutryn, Teddy	6'1"	210	Center	Chicago	USHL
60.	118.	Miller, Ryan	6'0"	177	Center	Portland	WHL
61.	49.	Phillips, Maceo	6'6"	233	Defenseman	USA U-18	NTDP
62.	38.	Bedkowski, David	6'4"	221	Defenseman	Owen Sound	OHL
63.	78.	Reynolds, Will	6'2"	188	Defenseman	Acadie-Bathurst	QMJHL
64.	76.	Barnhill, Sean	6'5"	214	Defenseman	Dubuque	USHL
65.	63.	Laurila, Sam	6'1"	191	Defenseman	Fargo	USHL
66.	56.	Quinn, Nathan	5'11"	173	Center	Quebec	QMJHL
67.	--	Idzan, Bruno	6'0"	195	Left Wing	Lincoln	USHL
68.	57.	Rheame-Mullen, Dakota	6'0"	182	Defenseman	Michigan	BIG10
69.	119.	Sawchyn, Lukas	5'10"	168	Left Wing	Edmonton	WHL
70.	197.	Griffin, Owen	5'10"	160	Center	Oshawa	OHL
71.	95.	Dervin, Kieren	6'1"	184	Center	St. Andrews College	High-ON
72.	109.	Vlooswyk, Luke	6'4"	200	Defenseman	Red Deer	WHL
73.	66.	Handel, Carlos	6'1"	174	Defenseman	Halifax	QMJHL
74.	67.	Simpson, Cooper	6'0"	180	Left Wing	Shakopee	High-MN
75.	84.	Beauchesne, Quinn	6'0"	184	Defenseman	Guelph	OHL
76.	65.	Sharpe, William	6'0"	195	Defenseman	Kelowna	WHL
77.	90.	Huang, Alex	6'0"	170	Defenseman	Chicoutimi	QMJHL
78.	80.	Engle, Edison	6'2"	175	Defenseman	Dubuque	USHL
79.	61.	Guite, Emile	6'1"	176	Left Wing	Chicoutimi	QMJHL
80.	105.	Herrington, Caeden	6'2"	204	Defenseman	Lincoln	USHL
81.	58.	O'Neill, Andrew	6'2"	195	Center	USA U-18	NTDP
82.	91.	Dell'elce, Francesco	6'1"	180	Defenseman	UMass	H-EAST
83.	59.	Schultz, Ashton	5'11"	180	Center	Chicago	USHL
84.	64.	Lombardi, Jimmy	6'0"	175	Center	Flint	OHL
85.	126.	Laberge, Noah	6'0"	187	Defenseman	Acadie-Bathurst	QMJHL
86.	88.	Peddle, Brady	6'3"	202	Defenseman	Waterloo	USHL
87.	55.	Passmore, Evan	6'5"	212	Defenseman	Barrie	OHL
88.	121.	Klippenstein, Carter	6'2"	180	Center	Brandon	WHL
89.	134.	Foster, Aiden	6'2"	182	Center	Prince George	WHL
90.	96.	Kilfoil, Liam	5'11"	179	Center	Halifax	QMJHL
91.	172.	Veilleux, Philippe	5'9"	168	Left Wing	Val-D'or	QMJHL
92.	16.	Misiak, Alex	6'0"	180	Right Wing	Waterloo	USHL
93.	72.	Mistelbacher, Luke	6'0"	196	Right Wing	Swift Current	WHL
94.	151.	Park, Aidan	6'1"	188	Center	Green Bay	USHL
95.	82.	Straka, Andreas	6'0"	190	Right Wing	Quebec	QMJHL
96.	92.	Barnett, Asher	6'0"	200	Defenseman	USA U-18	NTDP
97.	167.	Murphy, Will	6'4"	209	Defenseman	Cape Breton	QMJHL
98.	--	Gelinas, Remi	6'0"	186	Center	Rouyn-Noranda	QMJHL
99.	135.	Gerwing, Dawson	6'3"	225	Left Wing	Kelowna	WHL
100.	73.	Pickford, Bryce	6'0"	183	Defenseman	Medicine Hat	WHL

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Rank	Midterm RK	Player	Ht	Wt	Position	Team	League
1.	2.	Frondehl, Anton	6'1"	204	Center	Djurgarden	Sweden-2
2.	1.	Eklund, Victor	5'11"	169	Right Wing	Djurgarden	Sweden-2
3.	4.	Gastrin, Milton	6'1"	194	Center	Modo Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
4.	5.	Cihar, Vojtech	6'0"	180	Left Wing	Karlovy Vary	Czechia
5.	--	Zharovsky, Alexander	6'1"	163	Right Wing	Ufa Jr.	Russia-Jr.
6.	11.	Genborg, Eddie	6'2"	205	Right Wing	Linkoping	Sweden
7.	6.	Nilson, Eric	6'0"	166	Center	Djurgarden Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
8.	7.	Ihs Wozniak, Jakob	6'2"	190	Right Wing	Lulea Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
9.	19.	Limatov, Kurban	6'4"	190	Defenseman	Dynamo Moscow Jr.	Russia-Jr.
10.	22.	Hallquist, Theodor	6'1"	186	Defenseman	Orebro Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
11.	33.	Gonchar, Artyom	6'0"	156	Defenseman	Magnitogorsk Jr.	Russia-Jr.
12.	10.	Boelius, Lasse	6'1"	190	Defenseman	Assat Jr.	Finland-Jr.
13.	14.	Stockselius, Theo	6'3"	195	Center	Djurgarden Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
14.	13.	Poletin, Tomas	6'1"	206	Left Wing	Pelicans	Finland
15.	18.	Kucharcik, Matous	6'4"	180	Center	Slavia Jr.	Czechia-Jr.
16.	12.	Chovan, Jan	6'2"	190	Center	Tappara Jr.	Finland-Jr.
17.	36.	Vass, Malte	6'2"	195	Defenseman	Farjestad Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
18.	27.	Prokhorov, Daniil	6'6"	219	Right Wing	Dynamo St. Petersburg Jr.	Russia-Jr.
19.	25.	Klingsell, Viktor	5'10"	188	Right Wing	Skelleftea Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
20.	29.	Lindgren, Zeb	6'1"	198	Defenseman	Skelleftea Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
21.	9.	Isayev, Dmitri	5'9"	148	Left Wing	Yekaterinburg Jr.	Russia-Jr.
22.	21.	Rozsival, David	6'0"	188	Right Wing	Liberec Jr.	Czechia-Jr.
23.	20.	Joki, Atte	6'1"	200	Center	Lukko Jr.	Finland-Jr.
24.	65.	Hoch, Stepan	6'4"	192	Left Wing	C. Budejovice Jr.	Czechia-Jr.
25.	43.	Drott, Arvid	6'0"	187	Right Wing	Djurgarden Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
26.	28.	Nordlund, Viggo	5'9"	168	Left Wing	Skelleftea Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
27.	26.	Pobezal, Tomas	5'9"	178	Center	Nitra	Slovakia
28.	--	Pettersson, Liam	6'2"	170	Defenseman	Vaxjo Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
29.	32.	Kotajarvi, Jesper	6'0"	170	Defenseman	Tappara Jr.	Finland-Jr.
30.	66.	Westergard, Max	5'11"	161	Left Wing	Frolunda Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
31.	15.	Yemelyanov, Kirill	6'0"	170	Center	Yaroslavl Jr.	Russia-Jr.
32.	31.	Annborn, Karl	6'0"	188	Defenseman	HV71 Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
33.	17.	Agafonov, Maxim	6'2"	198	Defenseman	Ufa Jr.	Russia-Jr.
34.	23.	Bausov, Roman	6'5"	179	Defenseman	Dynamo St. Petersburg Jr.	Russia-Jr.
35.	40.	Hillstrom, Gustav	6'2"	174	Center	Brynäs Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
36.	41.	Rautiainen, Benjamin	6'0"	174	Center	Tappara	Finland
37.	113.	Klyvo, Mads Kongsbak	6'2"	194	Left Wing	Frolunda Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
38.	94.	Eriksen, Mikkel	5'11"	187	Center	Farjestad Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
39.	34.	Funck, Linus	6'3"	183	Defenseman	Lulea Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
40.	45.	Nykyri, Niklas	6'2"	190	Defenseman	HIFK	Finland
41.	38.	Novotny, Melvin	6'1"	185	Left Wing	Leksand Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
42.	39.	Fedorov, Mikhail	5'11"	152	Right Wing	Magnitogorsk Jr.	Russia-Jr.
43.	91.	Farhammar, Felix	6'1"	185	Defenseman	Orebro Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
44.	44.	Vilchinsky, Artyom	6'4"	243	Defenseman	SKA St. Petersburg Jr.	Russia-Jr.
45.	35.	Saari, Julius	6'2"	187	Defenseman	Jokerit Jr.	Finland-Jr.
46.	69.	Svrcek, Michal	5'10"	189	Left Wing	Brynäs Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
47.	51.	Kuhta, Jasper	6'2"	181	Center	HIFK Jr.	Finland-Jr.
48.	48.	Dahlqvist, Aron	6'3"	205	Defenseman	Brynäs Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
49.	49.	Hallquist, Wilhelm	5'11"	181	Defenseman	HV71	Sweden
50.	93.	Vahalahti, Eetu	6'0"	161	Defenseman	TPS Jr.	Finland-Jr.

NHL CENTRAL SCOUTING RANKINGS

2025 TOP 100 INTERNATIONAL SKATERS

Rank	Midterm RK	Player	Ht	Wt	Position	Team	League
51.	89.	Galvas, Tomas	5'10"	154	Defenseman	Liberec	Czechia
52.	--	Lutsev, Roman	6'0"	170	Center	Yaroslavl Jr.	Russia-Jr.
53.	46.	Wahlund, Joe	6'0"	181	Defenseman	Farjestad Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
54.	24.	Skok, Jan	6'0"	198	Defenseman	Plzen	Czechia
55.	--	Patrikhayev, Ivan	6'0"	179	Defenseman	CSKA Jr.	Russia-Jr.
56.	--	Koblar, Tinus Luc	6'4"	189	Center	Leksand Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
57.	57.	Kalto, Onni	6'2"	192	Left Wing	TPS Jr.	Finland-Jr.
58.	--	Sundqvist, Leo	5'9"	170	Right Wing	Brynäs	Sweden
59.	62.	Nieminen, Daniel	6'0"	187	Defenseman	Pelicans	Finland
60.	52.	Björck, Wilson	6'0"	165	Center	Djurgården Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
61.	--	Ilyichyov, Maksim	6'0"	154	Center	Russkie Vityazi	Russia-Jr.
62.	56.	Reber, Jamiro	5'10"	176	Center	HV71	Sweden
63.	71.	Svec, Martin	5'10"	174	Defenseman	Pardubice B	Czechia-2
64.	72.	Osmanis, Bruno	5'11"	170	Right Wing	Björkloven	Sweden-2
65.	--	Tyurin, Nikita	6'0"	174	Defenseman	Spartak Jr.	Russia-Jr.
66.	--	Borikov, Yegor	6'1"	180	Right Wing	Minsk	Russia
67.	55.	Somervuori, Jere	6'0"	156	Left Wing	HIFK Jr.	Finland-Jr.
68.	64.	Orpana, Eetu	6'0"	200	Center	Tappara Jr.	Finland-Jr.
69.	103.	Brusnikin, Daniil	5'9"	174	Defenseman	Loko-76 Yaroslavl	Russia-Jr.
70.	63.	Sundqvist, Leo	6'0"	183	Defenseman	Skellefteå Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
71.	80.	Mikes, Matej	6'2"	204	Center	Röki Jr.	Finland-Jr.
72.	53.	Moiseyev, Maxim	6'1"	180	Defenseman	Omsk Jr.	Russia-Jr.
73.	68.	Lisy, Matus	6'0"	181	Defenseman	Nitra	Slovakia
74.	79.	Antenen, Robin	6'2"	194	Left Wing	Zug Jr.	Swiss-Jr.
75.	59.	Pestretsov, Bogdan	6'3"	205	Defenseman	CSKA Jr.	Russia-Jr.
76.	42.	Magomed Sultanov, Ilyas	6'2"	176	Defenseman	Yaroslavl Jr.	Russia-Jr.
77.	86.	Rusznayak, Patrik	6'3"	201	Defenseman	Bratislava Jr.	Slovakia-Jr.
78.	61.	Tomka, Lukas	6'2"	196	Right Wing	Banská Bystrica	Slovakia
79.	30.	Fomin, Makar	5'11"	165	Defenseman	Cherepovets Jr.	Russia-Jr.
80.	58.	Krcal, David	6'2"	210	Left Wing	Pardubice Jr.	Czechia-Jr.
81.	--	Nilsson, Isac	6'0"	170	Left Wing	Malmö Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
82.	54.	Murin, Samuel	6'0"	190	Left Wing	Spisska Nova Ves	Slovakia
83.	--	Hynninen, Topias	5'10"	172	Center	Jukurit	Finland
84.	47.	Macek, Vit	6'1"	175	Right Wing	Pardubice Jr.	Czechia-Jr.
85.	--	Laksonen, Albin	6'4"	209	Right Wing	Vaxjö Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
86.	102.	Alanko, Reko	6'5"	201	Defenseman	Jokerit Jr.	Finland-Jr.
87.	--	Capos, Michal	6'4"	219	Defenseman	Nové Zámky	Slovakia
88.	70.	Granberg, David	6'2"	194	Center	Luleå	Sweden
89.	75.	Mensonen, Jasu	5'11"	184	Center	Lukko Jr.	Finland-Jr.
90.	85.	Lindberg, Valter	5'10"	172	Center	Skellefteå	Sweden
91.	37.	Filippov, Alexander	6'2"	176	Defenseman	CSKA Jr.	Russia-Jr.
92.	81.	Dorthe, Jan	5'11"	187	Center	Fribourg	Swiss
93.	78.	Ervasti, Alvar	6'3"	185	Defenseman	JYP Jr.	Finland-Jr.
94.	88.	Orrsten, Hugo	6'2"	198	Center	Örebro Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
95.	84.	Ustinkov, Daniil	6'1"	201	Defenseman	GCK Zürich	Swiss-2
96.	--	Rasanen, Veeti	6'2"	187	Left Wing	Jokerit Jr.	Finland-Jr.
97.	117.	Melikov, Mikhail	6'0"	150	Left Wing	Dynamo Moscow Jr.	Russia-Jr.
98.	--	Van Kaaij, Guus	6'0"	191	Defenseman	Davos Jr.	Swiss-Jr.
99.	99.	Katavisto, Aapo	6'0"	172	Right Wing	K-Espoo Jr.	Finland-Jr.
100.	--	Huhtamaa, Joel	6'3"	183	Defenseman	HIFK Jr.	Finland-Jr.

NHL CENTRAL SCOUTING RANKINGS

2025 TOP GOALTENDERS

NHL CENTRAL SCOUTING RANKINGS - TOP 15 NORTH AMERICAN GOALIES

Rank	Midterm RK	Player	Ht	Wt	Position	Team	League
1.	1.	Ravensbergen, Joshua	6'5"	191	Goalie	Prince George	WHL
2.	3.	Beckman, Lucas	6'2"	182	Goalie	Baie-Comeau	QMJHL
3.	8.	Pradel, Michal	6'4"	199	Goalie	Tri-City	USHL
4.	5.	Ivankovic, Jack	6'0"	173	Goalie	Brampton	OHL
5.	7.	Denault, Louis-Antoine	6'8"	206	Goalie	Quebec	QMJHL
6.	2.	Medvedev, Alexei	6'3"	180	Goalie	London	OHL
7.	4.	Meloche, Samuel	6'2"	190	Goalie	Rouyn-Noranda	QMJHL
8.	6.	Stebetak, Ondrej	6'2"	173	Goalie	Portland	WHL
9.	12.	Koprowski, Matthew	6'2"	199	Goalie	Owen Sound	OHL
10.	17.	Parsons, John	6'3"	194	Goalie	Chicago	USHL
11.	8.	D'Aigle, Gabriel	6'4"	211	Goalie	Victoriaville	QMJHL
12.	11.	Kraus, Jayden	6'2"	201	Goalie	Victoria	WHL
13.	20.	Feldbergs, Linards	6'1"	194	Goalie	Sherbrooke	QMJHL
14.	21.	Cameron, Ryan	6'0"	180	Goalie	Lone Star	NAHL
15.	25.	Hood, Burke	6'3"	202	Goalie	Vancouver	WHL

NHL CENTRAL SCOUTING RANKINGS - TOP 15 INTERNATIONAL GOALIES

Rank	Midterm RK	Player	Ht	Wt	Position	Team	League
1.	1.	Andreyanov, Pyotr	6'0"	207	Goalie	Cska Jr.	Russia-Jr.
2.	3.	Frolov, Semyon	6'3"	203	Goalie	Spartak Jr.	Russia-Jr.
3.	7.	Neuenschwander, Elijah	6'4"	199	Goalie	Fribourg Jr.	Swiss-Jr.
4.	9.	Goos, Mans	6'5"	199	Goalie	Farjestad Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
5.	2.	Harenstam, Love	6'1"	196	Goalie	Skelleftea Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
6.	6.	Kerkola, Patrik	6'3"	194	Goalie	Kalpa Jr.	Finland-Jr.
7.	5.	Trofimov, Andrei	6'2"	187	Goalie	Magnitogorsk Jr.	Russia-Jr.
8.	4.	Rimpinen, Petteri	6'0"	176	Goalie	K-Espoo	Finland
9.	14.	Orsulak, Michal	6'4"	225	Goalie	Karlovy Vary Jr.	Czechia-Jr.
10.	10.	Holmstrom, Filip	6'3"	176	Goalie	Orebro Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
11.	13.	Tkach-Tkachenko, Ivan	6'3"	185	Goalie	Ufa Jr.	Russia-Jr.
12.	--	Radkov, Arseni	6'4"	194	Goalie	Tyumen Jr.	Russia-Jr.
13.	16.	Carlsson, Simon	6'2"	183	Goalie	Aik Jr.	Sweden-Jr.
14.	15.	Birchler, Matia	6'5"	177	Goalie	Zug Jr.	Swiss-Jr.
15.	12.	Sorqvist, Isak	6'0"	176	Goalie	Lulea Jr.	Sweden-Jr.

COLUMBUS PICKS IN 2025 NHL DRAFT

ROUND	NUMBER OF PICKS*	SELECTION
1.	2	14, 20
2.	0	N/A
3.	1	77
4.	1	109
5.	0	N/A
6.	1	173
7.	2	205, 218

Mar. 2, 2023	Acquired a seventh-round pick in the 2025 NHL Draft (218th overall) and G Michael Hutchinson from the Vegas Golden Knights in exchange for G Jonathan Quick.
June 6, 2023	Columbus' second-round pick in the 2025 NHL Draft was traded to Philadelphia to complete a trade involving the Blue Jackets, Los Angeles Kings and Flyers (D Ivan Provorov).
Nov. 30, 2024	Acquired D Daemon Hunt, a first-round pick in the 2025 NHL Draft (20th overall), a third and fourth-round pick in the 2026 NHL Draft, and a second-round pick in the 2027 NHL Draft from the Minnesota Wild in exchange for a fifth-round pick in the 2025 NHL Draft and D David Jiricek.

NHL DRAFT NOTABLES AT JACKETS' SELECTIONS

14th Overall

RW Rutger McGroarty (2022; Winnipeg), LW Dylan Holloway (2020; Edmonton), D Cam York (2019; Philadelphia), LW Joel Farabee (2018; Philadelphia), D Cal Foote (2017; Tampa Bay), D Charlie McAvoy (2016; Boston), LW Jake Debrusk (2015; Boston), **C Alexander Wennberg (2013; Columbus)**, C Zengus Girgensons (2012; Buffalo), D Jamie Oleksiak (2011; Dallas), C Jaden Schwartz (2010; St. Louis), D Dmitri Kulikov (2009; Florida), D Kevin Shattenkirk (2007; Colorado), G Devan Dubnyk (2004; Edmonton), D Brent Seabrook (2003; Chicago), C Marty Reasoner (1996; St. Louis), D Jay McKee (1995; Buffalo), LW Ethan Moreau (Chicago; 1994), D Sergei Gonchar (Washington; 1992), LW Brad May (1990; Buffalo), D Stephane Quintal (1987; Boston), D Calle Johansson (1985; Buffalo), LW Brian Propp (1979; Philadelphia), RW Rick Middleton (1973; New York Rangers)

20th Overall

C Robert Thomas (2017; St. Louis), C Joel Eriksson Ek (2015; Minnesota), C Nick Schmaltz (2014; Chicago), LW Anthony Mantha (2013; Detroit), C Scott Laughton (2012; Philadelphia), D Connor Murphy (2011; Phoenix), D Micheal Del Zotto (2008; New York Rangers), C Travis Zajac (2004; New Jersey), D Brent Burns (2003; Minnesota), LW Daniel Paille (2002; Buffalo), C Marcel Goc (2001; San Jose), LW Alexander Frolov (2000; Los Angeles), LW Martin Rucinsky (1991; Edmonton), G Martin Brodeur (1990; New Jersey), LW Michel Goulet (1979; Quebec), LW Brian Sutter (1976; St. Louis), D Larry Robinson (1971; Montreal), D Fred Barrett (1970; Minnesota)

77th Overall

G Sam Montembeault (2015; Florida), LW Jake Guentzel (2013; Pittsburgh), C Chandler Stephenson (2012; Washington), LW Alexander Killorn (2007; Tampa Bay), G Craig Anderson (1999; Calgary), RW Chris Clark (1994; Calgary), C Alexi Zhamnov (1990; Winnipeg), D Frantisek Kucera (1986; Chicago), C Mike Rogers (1974; Vancouver)

109th Overall

RW Kirill Dolzhenkov (2022; Columbus), RW Jackson Blake (2021; Carolina), C Adam Ruzicka (2017; Calgary), G Kaapo Kahkonen (2014; Minnesota), LW Dwight King (2007; Los Angeles), RW Dan Bylsma (1989; Winnipeg), LW Jeff Daniels (1986; Pittsburgh), LW Randy Gilhen (1982; Hartford), RW Paul MacLean (1978; St. Louis)

173rd Overall

G Veini Vehvilainen (2018; Columbus), C Nick Bonino (2007; San Jose), D Adam Pardy (2004; Calgary), C Niko Kapanen (1998; Dallas), D Shane Hnidy (1994; Buffalo), D Risto Siltanen (1978; St. Louis)

205th Overall

RW Ondrej Kase (2014; Anaheim), D Paul Postma (2007; Atlanta), C Joe Pavelski (2003; San Jose), G Henrik Lundqvist (2000; New York Rangers), D Paul Cavallini (1984; Washington), D Dave Richter (1980; Minnesota)

218th Overall

G Johan Hedberg (1994; Philadelphia)

2025 NHL DRAFT SELECTIONS

1ST ROUND

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|-----------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. NY Islanders | 12. Pittsburgh (from NYR via VAN) | 23. Nashville (from TBL) |
| 2. San Jose | 13. Detroit | 24. Los Angeles |
| 3. Chicago | 14. Columbus | 25. Chicago (from TOR) |
| 4. Utah | 15. Vancouver | 26. Nashville (from VGK via SJS) |
| 5. Nashville | 16. Montreal (from CGY) | 27. Washington |
| 6. Philadelphia | 17. Montreal | 28. Winnipeg |
| 7. Boston | 18. Calgary (from NJD) | 29. Carolina |
| 8. Seattle | 19. St. Louis | 30. San Jose (from DAL) |
| 9. Buffalo | 20. Columbus (from MIN) | 31. Philadelphia (from EDM) |
| 10. Anaheim | 21. Ottawa | 32. Calgary (from FLA) |
| 11. Pittsburgh | 22. Philadelphia (from COL) | |

2ND ROUND

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 33. San Jose | 44. Detroit | 55. Nashville (from TBL) |
| 34. Chicago | 45. Anaheim (from CBJ via PHI) | 56. Tampa Bay (from LAK) |
| 35. Nashville | 46. Utah | 57. Seattle (from TOR via UTA/TBL) |
| 36. Philadelphia | 47. Vancouver | 58. Vegas |
| 37. Washington (from BOS) | 48. Philadelphia (from CGY) | 59. Pittsburgh (from WSH) |
| 38. Seattle | 49. Montreal | 60. Anaheim (from WPG via NJD) |
| 39. Buffalo | 50. New Jersey | 61. Boston (from CAR via COL) |
| 40. Philadelphia (from ANA) | 51. Boston (from STL via PIT/EDM) | 62. Chicago (from DAL) |
| 41. Montreal (from PIT) | 52. Minnesota | 63. New Jersey (from EDM via UTA) |
| 42. NY Islanders | 53. San Jose (from OTT) | 64. Toronto (from FLA) |
| 43. NY Rangers | 54. Calgary (from COL via WSH) | |

3RD ROUND

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| 65. Vancouver (from SJS via VGK/NYR) | 76. Detroit | 87. Carolina (from TBL) |
| 66. Chicago | 77. Columbus | 88. Los Angeles |
| 67. Nashville | 78. Utah | 89. NY Rangers (from TOR via ANA) |
| 68. Philadelphia | 79. Montreal (from VAN) | 90. New Jersey (from VGK) |
| 69. Boston | 80. Calgary | 91. Vegas (from WSH) |
| 70. NY Rangers (from SEA) | 81. Montreal | 92. Winnipeg |
| 71. Buffalo | 82. Montreal (from NJD) | 93. Washington (from CAR) |
| 72. Anaheim | 83. Edmonton (from STL) | 94. Dallas |
| 73. Pittsburgh | 84. Pittsburgh (from MIN via PHI/NSH) | 95. San Jose (from EDM) |
| 74. NY Islanders | 85. Pittsburgh (from OTT via STL) | 96. Ottawa (from FLA) |
| 75. Detroit (from NYR via UTA) | 86. Toronto (from COL via NSH/SJS) | |

4TH ROUND

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|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 97. Ottawa (from SJS) | 108. Montreal (from DET) | 119. Detroit (from TBL) |
| 98. Chicago | 109. Columbus | 120. Los Angeles |
| 99. New Jersey (from NSH) | 110. Utah | 121. Minnesota (from TOR) |
| 100. Boston (from PHI via TOR) | 111. NY Rangers (from VAN via COL) | 122. Vegas |
| 101. Anaheim (from BOS via DET) | 112. Florida (from CGY) | 123. Washington |
| 102. Seattle | 113. Montreal | 124. San Jose (from WPG via DAL) |
| 103. Buffalo | 114. New Jersey | 125. Carolina |
| 104. Anaheim | 115. San Jose (from STL via CBJ) | 126. Dallas |
| 105. Pittsburgh | 116. Buffalo (from MIN via ANA) | 127. Tampa Bay (from EDM) |
| 106. NY Islanders | 117. Vancouver (from OTT via EDM) | 128. Florida |
| 107. Chicago (from NYR) | 118. Colorado | |

2025 NHL DRAFT SELECTIONS

5TH ROUND

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| 129. Florida (from SJS) | 140. Detroit | 151. Tampa Bay |
| 130. Pittsburgh (from CHI via TOR/WSH) | 141. Minnesota (from CBJ) | 152. Los Angeles |
| 131. Nashville | 142. Utah | 153. Toronto |
| 132. Philadelphia | 143. Vancouver | 154. Vegas |
| 133. Boston | 144. Calgary | 155. Washington |
| 134. Seattle | 145. Montreal | 156. Winnipeg |
| 135. Buffalo | 146. Dallas (from NJD) | 157. Philadelphia (from CAR) |
| 136. Anaheim | 147. St. Louis | 158. Dallas |
| 137. Toronto (from PIT) | 148. Pittsburgh (from MIN via NYR) | 159. Anaheim (from EDM) |
| 138. NY Islanders | 149. Ottawa | 160. Florida |
| 139. NY Rangers | 150. San Jose (from COL) | |

6TH ROUND

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| 161. New Jersey (from SJS) | 172. Detroit | 183. Carolina (from TBL) |
| 162. Chicago | 173. Columbus | 184. Los Angeles |
| 163. Nashville | 174. Utah | 185. Toronto |
| 164. Philadelphia | 175. Vancouver | 186. Vegas |
| 165. Boston | 176. Calgary | 187. Vegas (from WSH) |
| 166. NY Rangers (from SEA) | 177. Montreal | 188. Winnipeg |
| 167. Buffalo | 178. New Jersey | 189. Carolina |
| 168. Anaheim | 179. St. Louis | 190. Dallas |
| 169. Pittsburgh | 180. Minnesota | 191. Edmonton |
| 170. NY Islanders | 181. Ottawa | 192. Florida |
| 171. NY Rangers | 182. Nashville (from COL) | |

7TH ROUND

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|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 193. Tampa Bay (from SJS) | 204. Detroit | 215. Tampa Bay |
| 194. Chicago | 205. Columbus | 216. Los Angeles |
| 195. Buffalo (from NSH) | 206. Tampa Bay (from UTA) | 217. Toronto |
| 196. Los Angeles (from PHI) | 207. Vancouver | 218. Columbus (from VGK) |
| 197. Chicago (from BOS) | 208. Calgary | 219. Buffalo (from WSH via SJS) |
| 198. Seattle | 209. Montreal | 220. Winnipeg |
| 199. Buffalo | 210. San Jose (from NJD) | 221. Carolina |
| 200. Anaheim | 211. Detroit (from STL) | 222. Dallas |
| 201. Pittsburgh | 212. Tampa Bay (from MIN) | 223. Edmonton |
| 202. NY Islanders | 213. Ottawa | 224. Florida |
| 203. NY Rangers | 214. Colorado | |

* Picks as of June 24, 2025



MATTHEW SCHAEFER

North American Skater - Erie, OHL



FINAL RANK: 1
POSITION: Defenseman
HEIGHT: 6' 2"
BORN: September 05, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 1
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 186
BIRTHPLACE: Hamilton, ON, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Registered 7-5-22 in 17 games for the Erie Otters during the 2024-25 OHL campaign, before having his season cut short due to injury.
- Became the third first overall pick in Erie history at the 2023 OHL Priority Selection, joining Connor McDavid and Ryan O'Reilly.
- Skated for Canada at the 2025 IIHF World Junior Championships (1-1-2 in 2 GP) and 2024 IIHF U18 World Championships (1-4-5 in 7 GP; gold medal).

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Erie	OHL	56	3	14	17	-2	16	6	0	3	3	4	2
2024-25	Erie	OHL	17	7	15	22	21	8	...	...	...	...	...	...
OHL Totals			73	10	29	39	19	24	6	0	3	3	2	2



MICHAEL MISA

North American Skater - Saginaw, OHL



FINAL RANK: 2
POSITION: Center
HEIGHT: 6' 1"
BORN: February 16, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 3
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 182
BIRTHPLACE: Oakville, ON, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Named the OHL Most Outstanding Player in addition to being named to the the OHL First All-Star Team for the 2024-25 season after leading the league in scoring with 62-72-134 in 65 games with the Saginaw Spirit.
- Ranked second in the OHL in goals in 2024-25 and tied Patrick Kane (2006-07) for the most goals in a draft eligible season for an OHL player.
- Granted exceptional player status to play in the OHL as a 15-year-old prior to the 2022-23 season, making him the sixth OHL and eighth CHL player ever to receive the exemption.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2022-23	Saginaw	OHL	45	22	34	56	7	10	11	3	5	8	1	6
2023-24	Saginaw	OHL	67	29	46	75	3	26	17	4	7	11	2	2
2024-25	Saginaw	OHL	65	62	72	134	45	45	4	2	1	3	-10	0
OHL Totals			177	113	152	265	55	81	32	9	13	22	-7	8



JAMES HAGENS

North American Skater - Boston College, H-East



FINAL RANK:	3	MIDTERM RANK:	2
POSITION:	Center	SHOOTS:	Left
HEIGHT:	5' 10"	WEIGHT:	186
BORN:	November 3, 2006	BIRTHPLACE:	Hauppauge, NY, USA

HIGHLIGHTS

- Named an unanimous selection to the Hockey East All-Rookie Team after recording 11-26-37 in 37 games in his freshman season at Boston College in 2024-25.
- Won a gold medal with the United States at the 2025 IIHF World Junior Championships with 5-4-9 in seven appearances.
- Led Team USA to a gold medal at the 2024 IIHF U18 World Championships and set a tournament record in points with 9-13-22 in seven games.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2022-23	USNTDP	USHL	31	17	23	40	9	24	...	...	...	...	...	...
2023-24	USNTDP	USHL	26	18	29	47	18	20	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	Boston College	NCAA	37	11	26	37	21	24	...	...	...	...	...	...
NCAA Totals			37	11	26	37	21	24	...	...	...	...	...	...
USHL Totals			57	35	52	87	27	44	...	...	...	...	...	...



JAKE O'BRIEN

North American Skater - Brantford Bulldogs, OHL



FINAL RANK:	4	MIDTERM RANK:	8
POSITION:	Center	SHOOTS:	Right
HEIGHT:	6' 2"	WEIGHT:	177
BORN:	June 16, 2007	BIRTHPLACE:	Toronto, ON, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Finished seventh in the OHL in assists and points (tied) during the 2024-25 season, recording 32-68-98 in 66 contests with the Brantford Bulldogs.
- Honored with the Emms Family Award as the OHL's Rookie of the Year for the 2023-24 campaign, along with being named to both the CHL and OHL All-Rookie Teams after leading OHL rookies in assists and points with 13-51-64 in 61 games played with Brantford.
- Represented Canada at the 2024 Hlinka Gretzky Cup and the 2023 World U17 Hockey Challenge.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Brantford	OHL	61	13	51	64	4	10	6	41	4	5	-3	4
2024-25	Brantford	OHL	66	32	66	98	-2	18	11	3	8	11	1	6
OHL Totals			127	45	117	162	2	28	17	4	12	16	-2	10



RADIM MRTKA

North American Skater - Seattle, WHL



FINAL RANK: 5
POSITION: Defenseman
HEIGHT: 6' 6"
BORN: June 9, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 6
SHOOTS: Right
WEIGHT: 218
BIRTHPLACE: Havlickuv Brod, CZE

HIGHLIGHTS

- Played 10 games in the ELH (Czechia) at the beginning of the 2024-25 season before joining the Seattle Thunderbirds in the WHL and recorded 3-32-35 in 43 games to lead all club defensemen in assists and points.
- Skated at the 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships, posting 1-3-4 in five games for Czechia.
- Helped Czechia claim the silver medal at the 2024 Hlinka Gretzky Cup where he notched 0-2-2 in five contests.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	HC Ocelari	Czechia	3	0	0	0	-3	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
	HC Ocelari U20	Czechia U20	19	4	7	11	11	8	7	1	3	4	7	2
2024-25	HC Ocelari	Czechia	10	0	1	1	-2	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Seattle	WHL	43	3	32	35	10	46	6	0	3	3	4	-3
	HC Ocelari U20	Czechia U20	10	0	1	1	-2	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Czechia Totals			13	0	1	1	5	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
WHL Totals			43	3	32	35	10	46	6	0	3	3	4	-3
Czechia U20 Totals			29	4	11	15	16	14	7	1	3	4	7	2



PORTER MARTONE

North American Skater - Brampton, OHL



FINAL RANK: 6
POSITION: Right Wing
HEIGHT: 6' 3"
BORN: October 26, 2006

MIDTERM RANK: 4
SHOOTS: Right
WEIGHT: 204
BIRTHPLACE: Peterborough, ON, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

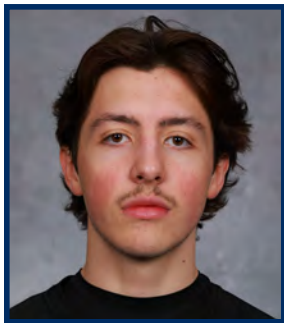
- Finished seventh in the OHL in scoring during the 2024-25 season, recording 37-61-98 in 57 contests with the Brampton Battalion.
- Helped Team Canada capture gold medals at the 2024 IIHF U18 World Championships (5-12-17 in 7 GP) and 2023 Hlinka Gretzky Cup (2-3-5 in 5 GP).
- Set a Team Canada record for most points in IIHF U18 World Championships history with 8-15-23 in 14 appearances, surpassing Connor Bedard's previous record of 21 points.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2022-23	Sarnia	OHL	29	6	7	13	-7	31	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Mississauga	OHL	32	13	9	22	-3	26	6	2	4	6	2	19
2023-24	Mississauga	OHL	60	33	38	71	25	63	5	1	5	6	2	10
2024-25	Brampton	OHL	57	37	61	98	19	74	6	4	5	9	3	10
OHL Totals			178	89	115	204	34	194	17	7	14	21	7	39



CALEB DESNOYERS

North American Skater - Moncton, QMJHL



FINAL RANK: 7
POSITION: Center
HEIGHT: 6' 2"
BORN: April 11, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 7
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 182
BIRTHPLACE: St-Hyacinthe, QC, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Finished the 2024-25 regular season with a statline of 35-49-84 in 59 contests with the Moncton Wildcats, earning the Paul Dumont Trophy (Personality of the Year) and First All-Star Team accolades.
- Helped Moncton capture the 2025 QMJHL championship with 9-21-30 in 19 postseason games, leading the playoffs in assists and receiving the Guy Lafleur Trophy as the Playoffs MVP.
- Represented Canada at the 2024 IIHF World U18 Championships and the 2024 Hlinka Gretzky Cup, claiming gold at both events.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Moncton	QMJHL	60	20	36	56	2	26	4	1	1	2	-5	2
2024-25	Moncton	QMJHL	56	35	49	84	51	39	19	9	21	30	5	14
QMJHL Totals			116	55	85	140	53	65	23	10	22	32	0	16



ROGER McQUEEN

North American Skater - Brandon, WHL



FINAL RANK: 8
POSITION: Center
HEIGHT: 6' 5"
BORN: October 2, 2006

MIDTERM RANK: 5
SHOOTS: Right
WEIGHT: 198
BIRTHPLACE: Saskatoon, SK, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Missed a majority of the 2024-25 WHL season with an injury but posted 10-10-20 in 17 games with the Brandon Wheat Kings.
- Named the WHL player of the month for October 2024 after recording 5-6-11 in 11 appearances.
- Recorded 4-3-7 in five outings for Canada at the 2023 Hlinka Gretzky Cup, helping the team win the gold medal.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2021-22	Brandon	WHL	2	0	1	1	-4	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
2022-23	Brandon	WHL	55	4	10	14	-16	26	...	...	...	...	...	...
2023-24	Brandon	WHL	53	21	30	51	5	50	4	4	1	5	-2	8
2024-25	Brandon	WHL	17	10	10	20	8	40	3	1	0	1	-1	6
WHL Totals			127	35	51	86	-7	116	7	5	1	6	-3	14



KASHAWN AITCHESON

North American Skater - Barrie, OHL



FINAL RANK: 9
POSITION: Defenseman
HEIGHT: 6' 2"
BORN: September 21, 2006
MIDTERM RANK: 15
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 199
BIRTHPLACE: Toronto, ON, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Finished the 2024-25 OHL season leading all draft eligible defensemen in scoring with 26-33-59 in 64 games with the Barrie Colts.
- Set the Barrie single-season franchise record for goals by a defenseman with 26, surpassing the previous record of 23 held by three players.
- Helped Canada win a gold medal at the 2024 IIHF U18 World Championships with 1-2-3 in seven contests.

CAREER RECORD

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	REGULAR SEASON							PLAYOFFS					
			GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM		GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2022-23	Barrie	OHL	23	1	2	3	-9	35		4	0	0	0	-3	7
2023-24	Barrie	OHL	64	8	31	39	-1	126		6	1	3	4	-3	17
2024-25	Barrie	OHL	64	26	33	59	6	88		16	6	6	12	2	28
OHL Totals			151	35	66	101	-4	249		26	7	9	16	-4	52



CARTER BEAR

North American Skater - Everett, WHL



FINAL RANK: 10
POSITION: Left Wing
HEIGHT: 6' 0"
BORN: November 4, 2006
MIDTERM RANK: 11
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 179
BIRTHPLACE: Winnipeg, MB, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Registered 40-42-82 in 56 games with the Everett Silvertips during the 2024-25 WHL campaign, before his season was ended by an injury in March.
- Named to the 2024-25 WHL Western Conference Second All-Star Team after ranking seventh-T in the league in goals.
- Was selected to participate in the 2024 CHL/USA Prospects Challenge, representing the CHL.

CAREER RECORD

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	REGULAR SEASON							PLAYOFFS					
			GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM		GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2022-23	Everett	WHL	19	1	1	2	-3	0		5	0	0	0	-1	4
2023-24	Everett	WHL	67	25	32	57	23	26		9	0	4	4	-6	6
2024-25	Everett	WHL	56	40	42	82	33	77		...	...	...	...	...	...
WHL Totals			142	66	75	141	53	103		14	0	4	4	-7	10



BRADY MARTIN

North American Skater - Sault Ste. Marie, OHL



FINAL RANK: 11
POSITION: Center
HEIGHT: 6' 0"
BORN: March 16, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 17
SHOOTS: Right
WEIGHT: 186
BIRTHPLACE: Elmira, ON, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Finished the 2024-25 regular season fifth among OHL draft eligible players in scoring with 33-39-72 in 57 outings for Sault Ste. Marie.
- Ranked second on the Greyhounds in goals, assists and points for the 2024-25 campaign.
- Recorded 3-8-11 in seven contests for Canada at the 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships, including notching two goals in the gold medal contest.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Sault Ste. Marie	OHL	52	10	18	28	12	40	11	1	1	2	0	4
2024-25	Sault Ste. Marie	OHL	57	33	39	72	25	68	5	2	2	4	-5	8
OHL Totals			109	43	57	100	37	108	16	3	3	6	-5	12



LOGAN HENSLE

North American Skater - Wisconsin, BIG 10



FINAL RANK: 12
POSITION: Defenseman
HEIGHT: 6' 2"
BORN: October 14, 2006

MIDTERM RANK: 10
SHOOTS: Right
WEIGHT: 198
BIRTHPLACE: Woodbury, MN, USA

HIGHLIGHTS

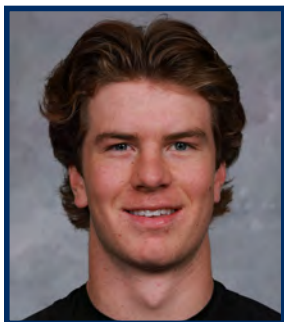
- Named to the 2024-25 Big 10 All-Rookie Team after posting 2-10-12 in 32 games as a freshman at Wisconsin.
- Ranked second in defenseman scoring for the Badgers during the 2024-25 season.
- Has represented Team USA at several international competitions, including winning a gold medal at the 2025 IIHF World Junior Championships (0-1-1 in 7 GP) and a silver medal at the 2024 IIHF U18 World Championships (1-5-6 in 7 GP).

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2022-23	USNTDP	USHL	38	5	15	20	-9	6	3	0	1	1	-5	0
2023-24	USNTDP	USHL	27	3	13	16	5	6	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	Wisconsin	Big 10	32	2	10	12	-13	27	...	...	...	...	...	...
USHL Totals			65	8	28	36	-4	12	3	0	1	1	-5	0
NCAA Totals			32	2	10	12	-13	27	...	...	...	...	...	...



JACKSON SMITH

North American Skater - Tri-City, WHL



FINAL RANK: 13
POSITION: Defenseman
HEIGHT: 6' 4"
BORN: May 13, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 9
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 199
BIRTHPLACE: Calgary, AB, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Recorded 11-43-54 in 68 games during the 2024-25 campaign, placing him first in points among draft eligible defensemen in the WHL.
- Posted 4-1-5 in seven games for Canada en route to a gold medal at the 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships.
- Is committed to play at Penn State University for the 2025-26 season.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2022-23	Tri-City	WHL	6	0	2	2	3	0	2	0	0	0	-3	0
2023-24	Tri-City	WHL	62	8	21	29	-29	41	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	Tri-City	WHL	68	11	43	54	2	48	5	1	2	3	-4	4
OHL Totals			136	19	66	85	-24	89	7	1	2	3	-7	4



LYNDEN LAKOVIC

North American Skater - Moose Jaw, WHL



FINAL RANK: 14
POSITION: Left Wing
HEIGHT: 6' 4"
BORN: December 12, 2006

MIDTERM RANK: 12
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 200
BIRTHPLACE: Kelowna, BC, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Led the Moose Jaw Warriors in goals and points (27-31-58 in 47 GP) and was fifth in points/game among draft eligible WHL Players for the 2024-25 campaign (1.23).
- Helped Moose Jaw capture its first ever WHL championship in the 2024 postseason where he recorded 5-3-8 in 20 appearances.
- Took part in the 2024-25 CHL/USA Prospects Challenge and recorded 1-1-2 in two contests.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2021-22	Moose Jaw	WHL	1	0	0	0	-1	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
2022-23	Moose Jaw	WHL	37	2	5	7	-3	8	10	3	0	3	-5	2
2023-24	Moose Jaw	WHL	68	18	21	39	4	14	20	5	3	8	-4	2
2024-25	Moose Jaw	WHL	47	27	31	58	-25	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
WHL Totals			153	47	57	104	-25	26	30	8	3	11	-8	4



JACK NESBITT

North American Skater - Windsor, OHL



FINAL RANK:	15	MIDTERM RANK:	16
POSITION:	Center	SHOOTS:	Left
HEIGHT:	6' 4"	WEIGHT:	186
BORN:	January 12, 2007	BIRTHPLACE:	Sarnia, ON, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Ranked sixth in scoring among draft eligible OHL skaters with 25-39-64 in 65 games for the Windsor Spitfires in 2024-25.
- Received Windsor's Most Improved Player award after increasing from 18 to 64 points between the 2023-24 and 2024-25 seasons.
- Was a member of Canada's gold-medal winning 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships team, posting 2-3-5 in six appearances.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Windsor	OHL	58	9	9	18	-32	58	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	Windsor	OHL	65	25	39	64	12	74	12	1	9	10	-5	30
OHL Totals			123	34	48	82	-20	132	12	1	9	10	-5	30



JUSTIN CARBONNEAU

North American Skater - Blainville-Boisbriand, QM-



FINAL RANK:	16	MIDTERM RANK:	13
POSITION:	Right Wing	SHOOTS:	Right
HEIGHT:	6' 1"	WEIGHT:	205
BORN:	November 25, 2006	BIRTHPLACE:	Lévis, QC, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Finished second among all QMJHL players in points (46-43-89 in 62 GP) for the 2024-25 season and led draft eligible skaters in goals and points while skating for the Blainville-Boisbriand Armada.
- Named to the 2024-25 QMJHL First All-Star Team and was a finalist for the Michel-Brière Trophy (MVP).
- His 89 points in a season are the fourth-most by a Blainville-Boisbriand player in club history and the most since 2017-18 (Alex Barre-Boulet, 116).

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2022-23	Rouyn-Noranda	QMJHL	2	0	2	2	1	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Blainville	QMJHL	30	5	13	18	-16	10	4	0	2	2	-2	2
2023-24	Blainville	QMJHL	68	31	28	59	-1	32	7	3	3	6	-3	6
2024-25	Blainville	QMJHL	62	46	43	89	3	61	5	3	0	3	0	12
QMJHL Totals			162	82	86	168	-13	103	16	6	5	11	-5	20



MALCOLM SPENCE

North American Skater - Erie, OHL



FINAL RANK: 17
POSITION: Left Wing
HEIGHT: 6' 1"
BORN: September 22, 2006

MIDTERM RANK: 14
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 190
BIRTHPLACE: Mississauga, ON, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

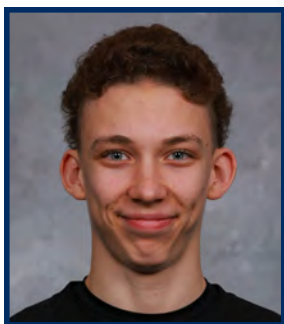
- Posted 73 points in 65 games for the Erie Otters during the 2024-25 campaign, ranking fourth among all draft eligible OHL players in scoring.
- Helped lead Canada to a gold medal at the 2024 IIHF U18 World Championships with 3-4-7 in seven appearances.
- Committed to play at the University of Michigan for the 2025-26 season.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2022-23	Erie	OHL	64	16	26	42	-28	14	...	...	...	...	...	...
2023-24	Erie	OHL	66	19	43	62	11	26	6	1	3	4	-1	2
2024-25	Erie	OHL	65	32	41	73	10	57	9	4	5	9	-6	6
OHL Totals			195	67	110	177	-7	97	15	5	8	13	-7	8



SASCHA BOUMEDIENNE

North American Skater - Boston University, H-East



FINAL RANK: 18
POSITION: Defenseman
HEIGHT: 6' 2"
BORN: January 17, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 18
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 184
BIRTHPLACE: Oulu, FIN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Recorded 3-10-13 in 40 games during his freshman campaign at Boston University in 2024-25.
- Won a silver medal as a member of Team Sweden at the 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships and was named the tournament's Best Defenseman after collecting 1-13-14 in seven games played.
- Played for the AAA Blue Jacks from 2021-2023 and is the son of former Blue Jackets assistant coach and NHL alumni Josef Boumedienne.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Youngstown	USHL	49	3	24	27	9	32	2	0	0	0	0	0
2024-25	Boston U.	NCAA	40	3	10	13	8	33	...	...	...	...	...	...



HENRY BRZUSTEWICZ

North American Skater - London, OHL



FINAL RANK:	19	MIDTERM RANK:	19
POSITION:	Defenseman	SHOOTS:	Right
HEIGHT:	6' 2"	WEIGHT:	203
BORN:	February 9, 2007	BIRTHPLACE:	Washington, MI, USA

HIGHLIGHTS

- Won back-to-back OHL Championships with the London Knights in 2024 and 2025, posting 3-5-8 and a cumulative +11 plus/minus rating in 33 postseason appearances.
- Helped London win the 2025 Memorial Cup, recording 1-1-2 in five tournament games.
- Ranked second among London defensemen in both assists and points for the 2024-25 campaign with 10-32-42 in 67 games.

CAREER RECORD

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
			GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	London	OHL	52	2	4	6	7	20	16	2	1	3	2	0
2024-25	London	OHL	67	10	32	42	24	77	17	1	4	5	9	17
OHL Totals			119	12	36	48	31	97	33	3	5	8	11	17



BRAEDEN COOTES

North American Skater - Seattle, WHL



FINAL RANK:	20	MIDTERM RANK:	21
POSITION:	Center	SHOOTS:	Right
HEIGHT:	6' 0"	WEIGHT:	186
BORN:	February 9, 2007	BIRTHPLACE:	Sherwood Park, AB, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Led the Seattle Thunderbirds in assists and points and ranked second-T in goals for the 2024-25 season with 26-37-63 in 60 outings.
- Finished the 2024-25 season ranked sixth in scoring among draft eligible WHL skaters.
- Captained Team Canada to a gold medal at the 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships with 6-6-12 in seven appearances.

CAREER RECORD

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
			GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2022-23	Seattle	WHL	7	0	1	14	4	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
2023-24	Seattle	WHL	64	14	21	35	-22	16	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	Seattle	WHL	60	26	37	63	5	18	6	2	6	8	-3	4
WHL Totals			131	40	59	99	-13	34	6	2	6	8	-3	4



BENJAMIN KINDEL

North American Skater - Calgary, WHL



FINAL RANK: 21
POSITION: Center
HEIGHT: 5' 10"
BORN: April 19, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 20
SHOOTS: Right
WEIGHT: 180
BIRTHPLACE: Coquitlam, BC, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Ranked first among draft eligible skaters and seventh overall in 2024-25 WHL scoring after posting 35-64-99 in 65 games with the Calgary Hitmen.
- Named to the WHL Eastern Conference First All-Star Team for the 2024-25 season.
- Helped Canada win a gold medal at the 2024 Hlinka Gretzky Cup, recording 1-6-7 in five contests.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2022-23	Calgary	WHL	1	0	0	0	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
2023-24	Calgary	WHL	68	15	45	60	2	14	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	Calgary	WHL	65	35	64	99	39	39	11	8	7	15	6	8
WHL Totals			134	50	109	159	41	53	11	8	7	15	6	8



CULLEN POTTER

North American Skater - Arizona State, NCHC



FINAL RANK: 22
POSITION: Center
HEIGHT: 5' 10"
BORN: January 10, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 22
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 172
BIRTHPLACE: Hortonville, WI, USA

HIGHLIGHTS

- Named to the 2024-25 NCHC All-Rookie team after posting 13-9-22 in 35 contests during his freshman season at Arizona State University.
- Has represented the United States at several international tournaments, including most recently at the 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships where he registered 4-4-8 in seven games played.
- Son of Olympic gold medalist Jenny Potter, who skated for the United States at four Olympic Games and 10 World Championships.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	USNTDP	USHL	35	9	13	22	-11	20	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	Arizona State	NCAA	35	13	9	22	-1	6	...	...	...	...	...	...



CAMERON REID

North American Skater - Kitchener, OHL



FINAL RANK: 23
POSITION: Defenseman
HEIGHT: 6' 0"
BORN: April 8, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 27
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 183
BIRTHPLACE: Aylmer, ON, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Tied for the lead in scoring on the Kitchener Rangers and led club defensemen in goals, assists and points with 14-40-54 in 67 contests in 2024-25.
- Ranked first among draft eligible OHL defensemen in plus-minus rating and assists, as well as second in points.
- Represented Canada at multiple international events, including claiming a gold medal at the 2024 Hlinka Gretzky Cup.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Kitchener	OHL	49	2	21	17	18	17	10	0	5	5	-5	0
2024-25	Kitchener	OHL	67	14	40	54	39	44	14	0	5	5	-5	2
OHL Totals			116	16	61	71	57	61	24	0	10	10	-10	2



WILLIAM HORCOFF

North American Skater - Michigan, BIG 10



FINAL RANK: 24
POSITION: Center
HEIGHT: 6' 5"
BORN: January 23, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 28
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 203
BIRTHPLACE: Birmingham, MI, USA

HIGHLIGHTS

- Finished the 2024-25 campaign with 4-6-10 in 18 games for the University of Michigan as a freshman.
- Helped the United States claim a bronze medal at the 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships with 2-2-4 in seven contests.
- Son of NHL alumni Shawn Horcoff, who played 1,008 NHL games across 15 seasons with Edmonton, Dallas and Anaheim from 2000-16.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	USNTDP	USHL	35	5	5	10	-15	16	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	USNTDP	USHL	7	2	1	3	0	12	...	...	...	...	...	...
	U. of Michigan	NCAA	18	4	6	10	-4	6	...	...	...	...	...	...
NCAA Totals			18	4	6	10	-4	6	...	...	...	...	...	...
USHL Totals			42	7	6	13	-15	28	...	...	...	...	...	...



COLE RESCHNY

North American Skater - Victoria, WHL



FINAL RANK: 25
POSITION: Center
HEIGHT: 5' 11"
BORN: April 6, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 34
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 180
BIRTHPLACE: Macklin, SK, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Finished the 2024-25 season ranked second in scoring among draft eligible WHL players with 22-66-92 in 65 contests for the Victoria Royals.
- Tied for the second-most points in a single-season in Victoria franchise history and the most since the 2017-18 campaign (Matthew Phillips, 112).
- Helped Canada win a gold medal at the 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships (5-3-8 in 5 GP) and 2024 Hlinka Gretzky Cup (3-4-7 in 5 GP).

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2022-23	Victoria	WHL	4	1	0	1	-8	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
2023-24	Victoria	WHL	61	21	38	59	3	14	4	1	1	2	-5	6
2024-25	Victoria	WHL	62	26	66	92	42	44	11	9	16	25	9	10
WHL Totals			127	48	104	152	37	60	15	10	17	27	4	16



BLAKE FIDDLER

North American Skater - Edmonton, WHL



FINAL RANK: 26
POSITION: Defenseman
HEIGHT: 6' 4"
BORN: July 9, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 24
SHOOTS: Right
WEIGHT: 220
BIRTHPLACE: Nashville, TN, USA

HIGHLIGHTS

- Led Edmonton Oil Kings defensemen in goals and points during the 2024-25 WHL season with 10-23-33 in 64 games.
- Represented the United States at the 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships, claiming a bronze medal after notching 2-2-4 with a +8 plus/minus rating in nine contests.
- Son of NHL alumni Vernon Fiddler, who played 877 NHL games across 15 seasons with Nashville, Phoenix, Dallas and New Jersey from 2002-17.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Edmonton	WHL	63	5	10	15	-31	12	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	Edmonton	WHL	64	10	23	33	6	36	7	0	1	1	-2	0
WHL Totals			127	15	33	48	25	48	7	0	1	1	-2	0



MASON WEST

North American Skater - Edina, HIGH-MN



FINAL RANK: 27
POSITION: Center
HEIGHT: 6' 6"
BORN: August 3, 2007
MIDTERM RANK: 50
SHOOTS: Right
WEIGHT: 215
BIRTHPLACE: Edina, MN, USA

HIGHLIGHTS

- Made his USHL debut as a 17-year-old during the 2024-25 season, recording 1-8-9 in 10 appearances with the Fargo Force.
- Led his high school team, Edina, in goals and ranked second in points for the 2024-25 season (27-22-49 in 31 GP), helping the team to a state semifinal appearance.
- Plays football at Edina High School, where he is a quarterback with scholarship offers from Cal, Marshall, and Miami (OH).

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2022-23	Edina	MN-HIGH	30	9	18	27	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...
2023-24	Edina	MN-HIGH	30	15	23	38	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	Fargo	USHL	10	1	8	9	-1	6	2	0	0	0	-3	0
	Edina	MN-HIGH	31	27	22	49	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...
USHL Totals			10	1	8	9	-1	6	2	0	0	0	-3	0
MN-HIGH Totals			91	51	63	114	...	32	...	...	...	...	...	...



RYKER LEE

North American Skater - Madison, USHL



FINAL RANK: 28
POSITION: Right Wing
HEIGHT: 6' 0"
BORN: November 8, 2006
MIDTERM RANK: 40
SHOOTS: Right
WEIGHT: 185
BIRTHPLACE: Wilmette, IL, USA

HIGHLIGHTS

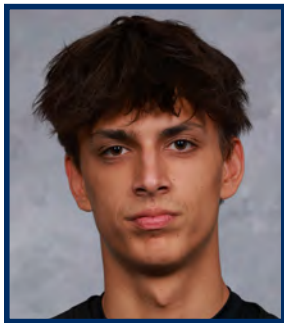
- Recognized as the USHL Rookie of the Year for the 2024-25 season after leading the Madison Capitols with 31-37-68 in 58 contests.
- Registered 54-66-120 in 71 games as a member of Shattuck St. Mary's 18U Prep team during the 2023-24 season.
- Committed to attend Michigan State University for the 2025-26 season.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Madison	USHL	2	1	1	2	2	0	3	0	0	0	-8	0
2024-25	Madison	USHL	58	31	37	68	9	18	6	3	3	6	5	2
USHL Totals			60	32	38	70	11	18	9	3	3	6	-3	2



WILLIAM MOORE

North American Skater - USA U-18, NTDP - USHL



FINAL RANK: 29
POSITION: Center
HEIGHT: 6' 2"
BORN: March 24, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 32
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 180
BIRTHPLACE: Mississauga, ON, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

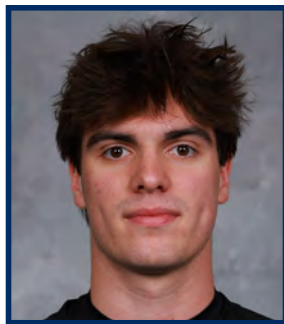
- Finished the 2024-25 season ranking second in goals (tied) and points on the U.S. National U18 Team, posting 27-32-59 in 64 contests.
- Skated for the United States at the 2024 IIHF U17 World Championships (5-7-12 in 7 GP) and 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships (3-8-11 in 7 GP).
- Committed to playing for Boston College for the 2026-27 season.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	USNTDP	USHL	35	14	11	25	-19	18	...	...	...	...	...	...
	USA U17	USDP	50	23	20	43	...	20	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	USNTDP	USHL	25	10	11	21	7	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
	USA U18	USDP	64	27	32	59	4	8	...	...	...	...	...	...
USHL Totals			60	24	22	46	-12	20	...	...	...	...	...	...
USDP Totals			114	50	52	102	4	28	...	...	...	...	...	...



JACK MURTAGH

North American Skater - USA U-18, NTDP - USHL



FINAL RANK: 30
POSITION: Left Wing
HEIGHT: 6' 0"
BORN: August 22, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 25
SHOOTS: Right
WEIGHT: 198
BIRTHPLACE: East Greenbush, NY, USA

HIGHLIGHTS

- Ranked third-T in scoring on the U.S. National U18 Team with 22-31-53 across 56 games in 2024-25.
- Represented the United States at the 2024 IIHF U17 World Challenge (4-3-7 in 7 GP) and 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships (2-4-6 in 7 GP).
- Committed to attending Boston University for the 2025-26 season.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	USNDTP	USHL	34	9	10	19	-19	14	...	...	...	...	...	...
	USA U17	USDP	53	16	21	37	...	22	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	USNTDP	USHL	24	7	11	18	3	20	...	...	...	...	...	...
	USA U18	USDP	56	22	31	53	14	36	...	...	...	...	...	...
USHL Totals			58	16	21	37	-16	34	...	...	...	...	...	...
USDP Totals			109	38	52	90	14	58	...	...	...	...	...	...



ANTON FRONDELL

International Skater - Djurgarden, Sweden



FINAL RANK:	1	MIDTERM RANK:	2
POSITION:	Center	SHOOTS:	Left
HEIGHT:	6' 1"	WEIGHT:	204
BORN:	May 7, 2007	BIRTHPLACE:	Trångsund, SWE

HIGHLIGHTS

- Helped Djurgardens win the 2024-25 HockeyAllsvenskan, recording 11-14-25 in 29 contests and leading all U18 skaters in scoring.
- Made his pro debut as a 16-year-old during the 2023-24 season, registering one assist in nine appearances with Djurgardens IF.
- Earned silver medals for Team Sweden at the 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships (1-2-3 in 5 GP) and the 2024 World Junior A Challenge (2-2-4 in 5 GP).

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Djurgardens IF	SweHL	9	0	1	1	2	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Djurgardens Jr.	Swe-Jr.	29	18	21	39	25	16	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	Djurgardens IF	SweHL	29	11	14	25	11	16	16	3	4	7	3	4
	Djurgardens Jr.	Swe-Jr.	10	5	2	7	9	6	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sweden HL Totals			38	11	15	26	13	16	16	3	4	7	3	4
Sweden-Jr. Totals			39	23	23	46	34	22	...	...	...	...	...	...



VICTOR EKLUND

International Skater - Djurgarden, Sweden



FINAL RANK:	2	MIDTERM RANK:	1
POSITION:	Right Wing	SHOOTS:	Right
HEIGHT:	5' 11"	WEIGHT:	169
BORN:	October 3, 2006	BIRTHPLACE:	Stockholm, SWE

HIGHLIGHTS

- Led Djurgarden in goals with 19-12-31 in 42 contests during the 2024-25 season and helped the club win promotion to the SHL.
- Recognized as the HockeyAllsvenskan Best Junior (Guldgalret) as well as honored with the most goals and points by a junior for 2024-25.
- Represented his country at multiple international competitions, including being the youngest player on Team Sweden at the 2025 IIHF World Junior Championships.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2022-23	Djurgardens Jr.	Swe-Jr.	7	0	2	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
2023-24	Djurgardens IF	SweHL	15	1	3	4	2	6	15	2	4	6	4	6
	Djurgardens Jr.	Swe-Jr.	30	7	18	25	16	26	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	Djurgardens IF	SweHL	42	19	12	31	16	37	16	2	5	7	2	8
	Djurgardens Jr.	Swe-Jr.	1	0	0	0	1	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sweden HL Totals			57	20	15	35	18	43	31	4	9	13	6	14
Sweden-Jr. Totals			38	7	20	27	19	28	...	...	...	...	...	...



MILTON GÄSTRIN

International Skater - Modo Jr., Sweden-Jr.



FINAL RANK: 3
POSITION: Center
HEIGHT: 6' 1"
BORN: June 2, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 4
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 194
BIRTHPLACE: Örnsköldsvik, SWE

HIGHLIGHTS

- Collected 18-24-42 in 40 games with Modo Jr. in Sweden's U20 league in 2024-25, ranking first-T on the club in goals and second in points.
- Captained Team Sweden at the 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships, winning a silver medal and recording 3-7-10 in seven games.
- Won a bronze medal with Sweden at the 2024 Hlinka Gretzky Cup, tallying 3-7-10 in five contests.

CAREER RECORD

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
			GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	MoDo Jr.	Swe-Jr	41	7	9	16	-9	8	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	MoDo	SweHL	8	0	0	0	-2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
	MoDo Jr.	Swe-Jr	40	18	24	42	6	18	...	...	...	...	...	...
SweHL Totals			8	0	0	0	-2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Swe Jr. Totals			81	25	33	58	-3	26	...	...	...	...	...	...



VOJTECH CIHAR

International Skater - Karlovy Vary, Czechia



FINAL RANK: 4
POSITION: Left Wing
HEIGHT: 6' 0"
BORN: March 29, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 5
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 180
BIRTHPLACE: Chomutov, CZE

HIGHLIGHTS

- Posted 4-5-9 in 43 games for HC Energie Karlovy Vary in Czechia's top professional league in 2024-25.
- Led all Czechia Extraliga players under-18 years old in scoring in 2024-25.
- Helped Czechia win a bronze medal at the 2025 IIHF World Junior Championships (1-1-2 in 7 GP).

CAREER RECORD

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
			GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Karlovy Vary	Czech	6	0	0	0	-3	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	Karlovy Vary	Czech	43	4	5	9	4	8	8	0	1	1	0	0
Czechia Totals			49	4	5	9	1	8	8	0	1	1	0	0



ALEXANDER ZHAROVSKY

International Skater - Ufa Jr., Russia-Jr.



FINAL RANK: 5
POSITION: Right Wing
HEIGHT: 6' 1"
BORN: February 22, 2007
MIDTERM RANK: NR
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 163
BIRTHPLACE: Klin, RUS

HIGHLIGHTS

- Made his pro debut during the 2024-25 season, skating in seven playoff games for Ufa in Russia's Kontinental Hockey League.
- Finished the season tied for 10th among all Russia Jr. (MHL) skaters in points for the 2024-25 campaign with 24-26-50 in 45 games with Ufa.
- Ranked fifth in the NMHL in goals in 2023-24 with 25-22-47 in 35 games with Khors Podolsk.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Khors Podolsk	NMHL	35	25	22	47	11	18	3	0	0	0	-1	4
2024-25	Ufa	KHL	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	0	1	1	-1	2
	Ufa Tolpar	Russia Jr.	45	24	26	50	18	30	2	0	1	1	-2	0
KHL Totals			...	...	...	...	...	...	7	0	1	1	-1	2
Russia Jr. Totals			45	24	26	50	18	30	2	0	1	1	-2	0
NMHL Totals			35	25	22	47	11	18	3	0	0	0	-1	4



EDDIE GENBORG

International Skater - Linköping, Sweden



FINAL RANK: 6
POSITION: Right Wing
HEIGHT: 6' 2"
BORN: April 20, 2007
MIDTERM RANK: 11
SHOOTS: Left
WEIGHT: 205
BIRTHPLACE: Trollhättan, SWE

HIGHLIGHTS

- Split the 2024-25 season between Linköping's SHL, U20, and U18 teams, combining for 22-16-38 in 57 games.
- Skated for Sweden at multiple international tournaments, including the 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships (0-3-3 in 7 GP) and 2024 Hlinka Gretzky Cup (1-2-3 in 5 GP), winning a silver and bronze medal respectively.
- Will play for Timrå IK of the SHL during the 2025-26 season.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Linköping HC Jr.	Swe-Jr.	25	4	1	5	-5	41	3	0	0	0	-3	2
2024-25	Linköpings HC	SweHL	28	2	0	2	-1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Linköping HC Jr.	Swe-Jr.	28	19	15	34	18	26	3	1	2	3	0	4
SweHL Totals			28	2	0	2	-1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
Swe Jr. Totals			54	23	16	39	13	67	6	1	2	3	-3	6



ERIC NILSON

International Skater - Djurgarden Jr., Sweden-Jr.



FINAL RANK: 7

POSITION: Center

HEIGHT: 6' 0"

BORN: May 11, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 6

SHOOTS: Right

WEIGHT: 166

BIRTHPLACE: Calgary, AB, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Won championships with both Djurgarden's U18 and U20 teams in the Nationell league during the 2024-25 season.
- Skated for Sweden at the 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships, registering 2-3-5 in seven contests on the way to earning a silver medal.
- Committed to play at Michigan State University for the 2025-26 season.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Orebro HK Jr.	Swe-Jr	29	6	9	15	-2	14	8	0	1	1	1	0
2024-25	Djurgardens IF	SweHL	4	0	1	1	1	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Djurgardens Jr.	Swe-Jr	37	12	26	38	22	56	9	6	7	13	7	6
Sweden HL Totals			4	0	1	1	1	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sweden-Jr. Totals			66	18	35	53	20	70	17	6	8	14	8	6



JAKOB IHS-WOZNIAK

International Skater - Lulea Jr., Sweden-Jr.



FINAL RANK: 8

POSITION: Right Wing

HEIGHT: 6' 2"

BORN: February 1, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 7

SHOOTS: Right

WEIGHT: 190

BIRTHPLACE: Adelaide, AUS

HIGHLIGHTS

- Posted 1-1-2 in 13 games with Lulea's senior team in in 2024-25 as the club captured the SHL championship.
- Finished the 2024-25 season tied for sixth among all J20 Nationell skaters in points with 23-34-57 in 40 games with Lulea.
- Skated for Sweden at the 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships (5-2-7 in 7 GP), claiming a silver medal at the tournament.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2022-23	Lulea HF Jr.	Swe-Jr	1	0	0	0	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
2023-24	Lulea HF	SweHL	2	0	0	0	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Lulea HF Jr.	Swe-Jr	36	22	28	50	18	24	4	3	2	5	0	0
2024-25	Lulea HF	SweHL	13	1	1	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
	Lulea HF Jr.	Swe-Jr	40	23	34	57	25	18	3	3	1	4	-2	2
Sweden-Jr. Totals			77	45	62	107	43	42	7	6	3	9	-2	2
Sweden HL Totals			15	1	1	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0



KURBAN LIMATOV

International Skater - Dynamo Moscow Jr., Rus-



FINAL RANK: 9

POSITION: Defenseman

HEIGHT: 6' 4"

BORN: March 20, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 19

SHOOTS: Left

WEIGHT: 190

BIRTHPLACE: Moskva, RUS

HIGHLIGHTS

- Made his KHL Debut for Dynamo Moskva during the 2024-25 season.
- Led Dynamo's junior squad in goals, assists, and points by a defenseman in 2024-25 after notching 8-15-23 in 46 outings.
- Added 2-3-5 with 41 PIM in seven MHL playoff games with Dynamo during 2024-25.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Dynamo Jr.	Rus-Jr.	30	1	5	6	11	24	5	0	0	0	-2	0
2024-25	Dynamo	KHL	1	0	0	0	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Dynamo Jr.	Rus-Jr.	46	8	15	23	7	44	7	2	3	5	-3	41
KHL Totals			1	0	0	0	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
MHL Totals			76	9	20	29	18	68	12	2	3	5	-5	41



THEODOR HALLQUISTH

International Skater - Orebro Jr., Sweden-Jr.



FINAL RANK: 10

POSITION: Defenseman

HEIGHT: 6' 1"

BORN: June 14, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 22

SHOOTS: Right

WEIGHT: 186

BIRTHPLACE: Täby, SWE

HIGHLIGHTS

- Made his pro debut with Örebro HK in Sweden's highest pro league (SHL) during the 2024-25 season.
- Ranked second among all Örebro Jr. (U20) defensemen in goals and points in 2024-25, recording 5-17-22 in 41 games.
- Skated for Sweden at the 2025 IIHF U18 World Championships, recording 0-1-1 in seven contests.

CAREER RECORD

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Orebro HK Jr.	Swe-Jr.	3	0	0	0	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	Orebro HK	SweHL	12	0	0	0	-2	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Orebro HK Jr.	Swe-Jr.	41	5	17	22	26	48	4	2	3	5	6	8
SweHL Totals			12	0	0	0	-2	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sweden-Jr. Totals			44	5	17	22	26	48	4	2	3	5	6	8



JOSHUA RAVENSBER-

North American Goalie - Prince George, WHL



FINAL RANK: 1
POSITION: Goaltender
HEIGHT: 6' 5"
BORN: November 27, 2006

MIDTERM RANK: 1
CATCHES: Right
WEIGHT: 191
BIRTHPLACE: North Vancouver, BC, CAN

HIGHLIGHTS

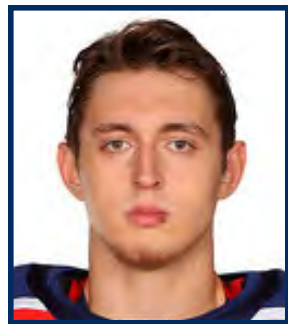
- Led draft eligible WHL goaltenders in saves (1,352) in 51 games played with the Prince George Cougars during the 2024-25 season.
- Named to the WHL Western Conference Second All-Star Team for the 2024-25 season after posting a .901 SV% and 3.00 GAA in 51 appearances.
- Set a franchise record for wins in a single season during the 2024-25 campaign.

CAREER RECORD

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	RECORD	SO	SV%	GAA	MIN	GP	RECORD	SO	SV%	GAA	MIN
2023-24	Prince George	WHL	38	26-4-1	6	.907	2.46	2,071	12	9-2-1	3	.931	1.98	696
2024-25	Prince George	WHL	51	33-13-4	0	.901	3.00	2,963	7	2-3-1	0	.896	3.60	417
WHL Totals			89	59-17-5	6	.904	2.73	5,043	19	11-5-2	3	.914	2.79	1,110

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS



PYOTR ANDREYANOV

International Goalie - CSKA Jr., Russia-Jr.



FINAL RANK: 1
POSITION: Goaltender
HEIGHT: 6' 0"
BORN: January 22, 2007

MIDTERM RANK: 1
CATCHES: Left
WEIGHT: 207
BIRTHPLACE: Volsk, RUS

HIGHLIGHTS

- Ranked second in Russia's junior league (MHL) in save percentage as well as fourth in goals-against average (min. 20 GP) and wins (tied) with a 23-6-6 record, 1.75 GAA and .942 SV% in 37 outings with Krasnaya Armiya Moskva in 2024-25.
- Participated in the 2024-25 MHL All-Star Game, and won two MHL Goaltender of the Month Awards during the 2024-25 campaign.
- Made his junior league debut in 2023-24, finishing 9-8-0 with a .916 SV% in 20 outings with Krasnaya Armiya Moskva.

CAREER RECORD

YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	GP	RECORD	SO	SV%	GAA	MIN	GP	RECORD	SO	SV%	GAA	MIN
2023-24	Krasnaya	MHL	20	9-8-0	1	.916	3.04	1,126	...	...	...	...	...	...
2024-25	Krasnaya	MHL	37	23-6-6	3	.942	1.75	2,194	6	2-4-0	0	.929	2.36	355
MHL Totals			57	22-14-6	4	.929	2.40	3,320	6	2-4-0	0	.929	2.36	355

REGULAR SEASON

PLAYOFFS

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MATTHEW SCHAEFER

BORN Sept. 5, 2007, Hamilton, Ont.
2024-25 Erie (OHL)
POS D **HT** 6-2 **WT** 183 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 1 (NA skaters)

➤ HE STARTED THE season with mono and ended it with a broken collarbone, but in between, Schaefer established himself as the consensus No. 1 prospect in the 2025 NHL draft. In fact, if he is chosen first, he will have played the fewest games in his draft year of any No. 1 overall pick in modern draft history.

Schaefer's skating and hockey IQ are elite, and there is a sense of calm when the puck is on his stick. "He's an exit machine," said one scout. "He can skate it out or pass it out, and he has the ability to control the play. I've never seen a team disintegrate the way Canada did after he got hurt in the world juniors."

Projections for Schaefer range from Rasmus Dahlin on the low end to Cale Makar on the high end, but the general view is that he excels at everything. "He's above average to very good in every area you would rate a guy," said another scout. "I don't think he's as dynamic as Makar, but he's really well-rounded in all areas. I think his skating puts him in the elite category."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Hamilton	U15	31	17	34	51	14
'22-23	Halton	U16	25	12	20	32	14
'23-24	Erie	OHL	56	3	14	17	16
'24-25	Erie	OHL	17	7	15	22	8
	Canada	WJC	2	1	1	2	0

BEST CASE: Roman Josi

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MICHAEL MISA

BORN Feb. 16, 2007, Oakville, Ont.
2024-25 Saginaw (OHL)
POS C **HT** 6-1 **WT** 184 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 2 (NA skaters)

➤ PLAYING IN HIS third OHL season after being granted exceptional-player status at 15, Misa has given scouts a lot of time to both admire and pick apart his game. There's never been any doubt about Misa's ability to score – he might have the most dangerous shot in the draft – but scouts are impressed that he's added texture to his game. "I was concerned going into this season whether he was one-dimensional: 'If he doesn't score, what does he do?'" said one scout. "And I think his all-around game has really taken a step. His 200-foot game is much better. And he went from being this quiet kid who just put up points to yelling at guys on the bench for being soft defensively."

This season is the first in which Misa had the chance to be a full-time center, and that's where scouts project him at the NHL level. Misa will fill a long-term need for any team seeking offensive punch. "He has that ability to hold the puck and use it as a carrot to opponents, and he puts it back to where he wants to get the puck," said another scout.

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Miss. Senators	U16	27	16	27	43	14
'22-23	Saginaw	OHL	45	22	34	56	10
	Canada Red	WU17	7	3	3	6	0
'23-24	Saginaw	OHL	67	29	46	75	26
'24-25	Saginaw	OHL	65	62	72	134	45

BEST CASE: Jack Eichel

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PORTER MARTONE

BORN Oct. 26, 2006, Peterborough, Ont.
2024-25 Brampton (OHL)
POS RW **HT** 6-3 **WT** 208 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 6 (NA skaters)

➤ IF YOU NEED a distillation of Martone's game, just watch the first-ever OHL Top Prospects Game this season. The power forward notched a Gordie Howe hat trick in the all-star showdown, with the goal coming as the OT-winner. "He's a skilled guy who can play it any way you want," said one scout. "He's physical, he's hard to get away from the net, and he has great hands in close. He gets a lot of goals in a lot of different ways. He can handle it himself 1-on-1, or he can jam the net."

Martone has a hockey pedigree thanks to his dad, Mike, who was a bruising OHL D-man drafted by the Buffalo Sabres. Porter also found more consistency as the season progressed. "Some games, you would see his physicality," said another scout. "Some games, you would see his hockey sense and play with the puck. But he put the whole package together and has the potential to be the quintessential power forward. The nice thing is his skating still needs to be cleaned up a bit, which will be no issue once he gets bigger and stronger."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Tor. Jr. Cdns	U16	53	41	63	104	-
'22-23	Sarnia/Miss.	OHL	61	19	16	35	57
'23-24	Mississauga	OHL	60	33	38	71	63
'24-25	Brampton	OHL	57	37	61	98	74
	Canada	WJC	3	1	0	1	2

BEST CASE: Matthew Tkachuk

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JAMES HAGENS

BORN Nov. 3, 2006, Hauppauge, N.Y.
2024-25 Boston College (HE)
POS C **HT** 5-10 **WT** 177 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 3 (NA skaters)

➤ GOING INTO THE season, many scouts projected Hagens to be the No. 1 pick. And while he didn't disappoint, he fell a bit after a slightly underwhelming offensive year. But perhaps that can be forgiven given the quality of NCAA competition. "If Hagens had played in the OHL for London or Kitchener, would he not have scored 55 or 60 goals?" said one scout. "The problem I have with Hagens, though, is that he's an undersized, incomplete player. Is he going to be Logan Cooley? If not, a lesser Logan Cooley is not as exciting."

Centering a line with Ryan Leonard and Gabe Perreault, Hagens showed he could dish the puck – though he might have deferred too often. Size is also a concern, but scouts recognize there's room in the NHL for sub-six-foot players if they think the game at the level Hagens does. "You just wish he were a little bit bigger," said another scout. "You can be pretty confident he's going to create offense. He's performed everywhere he's been, and he'll perform in the NHL, too."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Mt. St. Charles	U15	54	54	61	115	-
'22-23	USA U17	NTDP	43	26	40	66	38
'23-24	USA U18	NTDP	58	39	63	102	34
'24-25	Boston College HE		37	11	26	37	24
	USA	WJC	7	5	4	9	2

BEST CASE: Jack Hughes

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ANTON FRONDELL

BORN May 7, 2007, Trangsund, Swe.
2024-25 Djurgarden (Swe.2)
POS C **HT** 6-1 **WT** 198 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 1 (Int'l skaters)

➤ WHAT STARTED OFF as a disaster turned into a triumph as Frondell overcame early adversity to have a fantastic draft year. He missed most of the summer due to injury, then came out of the lineup twice in the first half due to a couple of other maladies. Playing internationally in December helped his return. "It was a good decision going to the World Jr. A Challenge," said one scout. "It's fun to see him at center. I like his approach to the game. He's big, strong and plays hard. He has a good shot, plays a smart game, and he's very team-friendly. There's a natural power to his game." Frondell's second half was punctuated by a scoring tear against pros in the second-tier Allsvenskan and peaked when he helped Djurgarden earn promotion back to the SHL in the post-season, which was huge for the legendary Stockholm club after two failed tries in as many years. "He's a big, strong, powerful two-way center," said another scout. "He's got the big one-timer on the power play, and I see a middle-six center all day long."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Djurgarden	U16	31	31	25	56	45
'22-23	Djurgarden	U18	34	19	25	44	6
'23-24	Djurgarden	Jr.	29	18	21	39	16
'24-25	Djurgarden	Swe.2	29	11	14	25	16
	Sweden	WU18	5	1	2	3	0

BEST CASE: Robert Thomas

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CALEB DESNOYERS

BORN April 11, 2007, St-Hyacinthe, Que.
2024-25 Moncton (QMJHL)
POS C **HT** 6-1 **WT** 178 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 7 (NA skaters)

➤ NOT ONLY WAS Desnoyers one of the top regular-season scorers, he finished second in playoff points while leading Moncton to a QMJHL title. Yes, he was playing for a powerhouse team, but Desnoyers was also a major reason why the Wildcats were such a force. "He's a smart 200-foot player with really good details in his game," said one scout. "He's getting a ton of ice time with the best team in the league, which tells you something. He plays in all situations, big minutes and against top lines almost every night. I don't know if there are many guys in the draft as well-rounded as him. He's a guy you'd want to have on your team." And that's not limited to Moncton. Desnoyers was also a coach's favorite at the CHL-NTDP series. "I love him," said another scout. "He brings a little bit of everything, from leadership to compete, hockey sense and skill. He might be closer to his ceiling than his floor right now, but I don't see anything keeping him from playing in the NHL and being part of a winning culture."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Ecole Fadette	U15	26	19	27	46	34
'22-23	St-Hyacinthe	U18	42	23	30	53	44
'23-24	Moncton	QMJHL	60	20	36	56	26
	Canada	WU18	5	1	4	5	8
'24-25	Moncton	QMJHL	56	35	49	84	39

BEST CASE: Dylan Strome

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VICTOR EKLUND

BORN Oct. 3, 2006, Stockholm, Swe.
2024-25 Djurgarden (Swe.2)
POS LW **HT** 5-11 **WT** 161 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 2 (Int'l skaters)

➤ THE YOUNGEST member of Sweden's world-junior squad, Eklund was also one of the most effective players on the team, using his motor and skill to put up six points in seven games. Continuing on the theme of playing above his age, Eklund also helped Djurgarden earn promotion up to the SHL from the Allsvenskan. "He plays so hard every shift," said one scout. "He plays with passion, and he competes. He wants to get inside. He plays with energy, and he wants to play fast. There's just a little more projection with Eklund than with Frondell in terms of when he adds weight and how his game translates." True, the size isn't ideal, but he has a pedigree as the younger brother of San Jose's William Eklund, and the results are the results. "You want him to be a little bigger, but he continues to prove size isn't a deterrent for him, so trust what you see," said another scout. "He's got skill, determination, good pace, and he can play on the wall. At the end of the day, he plays bigger than he is, and he'll fill out in time."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'22-23	Djurgarden	U18	30	21	20	41	44
'23-24	Djurgarden	Jr.	30	7	18	25	26
	Djurgarden	Swe.2	15	1	3	4	6
'24-25	Djurgarden	Swe.2	42	19	12	31	37
	Sweden	WJC	7	2	4	6	2

BEST CASE: Jesper Bratt

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ROGER MCQUEEN

BORN Oct. 2, 2006, Saskatoon, Sask.
2024-25 Brandon (WHL)
POS C **HT** 6-5 **WT** 197 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 8 (NA skaters)

➤ PLAYERS GET injured in their draft years all the time. The problem for McQueen, however, is that some teams could be scared off by the fact that Cayden Lindstrom, the No. 4 overall pick in 2024, didn't play until the WHL final this year after also missing a good chunk of his draft year. Lindstrom has a back issue, and it's suspected McQueen has something similar. "Ability-wise, he's top-five, potentially even top-three," said one scout. "With the injury, and being on the heels of Lindstrom not playing, I expect him to slide." That could benefit a team willing to take a risk. When McQueen did play, he was a monster. "The first thing you notice is his size," said another scout. "He skates extremely well for a big guy, and he can be elusive, especially when he has the puck. He hunts down pucks, drives the net and has a good shot. You can tell he's a leader by the way he plays, so there's character, too." Weighing injury concerns against the tantalizing package makes McQueen the true X-factor of the first round.

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'20-21	Sask. Stallions	U15	4	9	18	27	2
'21-22	Sask. Blazers	U18	41	24	37	61	54
'22-23	Brandon	WHL	55	4	10	14	26
'23-24	Brandon	WHL	53	21	30	51	50
'24-25	Brandon	WHL	17	10	10	20	40

BEST CASE: Tage Thompson

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KASHAWN AITCHESON

BORN Sept. 21, 2006, Toronto, Ont.
2024-25 Barrie (OHL)
POS D **HT** 6-1 **WT** 196 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 9 (NA skaters)

➤ COMING INTO THE season, Aitcheson looked like a nasty, physical blueliner. He was indeed that this year, but he also exploded offensively, putting up nearly a point per game on a strong Colts team. "He's a gamer," said one scout. "This guy is very physical. He loves to join the rush and the attack. He can play in every type of game. He can be competitive and physical or be active and offensive. He has a great attitude toward the game. If you go to see him, he's easy to find. He leads with compete and effort, and those are likeable traits."

NHL teams also love Aitcheson off the ice, seeing him as a great interview with a good family behind him. "Last year, I thought he was a high-energy kid who competed his butt off and had some skill," said another scout. "He's the same kid now, but what I really like is he's calmed his game down, and he's not running around. He's playing such a smarter game. Originally, you could say he'd be top six. Now, you say top four or maybe even top pairing."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	North York	U16	47	9	22	31	-
'22-23	Barrie	OHL	23	1	2	3	35
'23-24	Barrie	OHL	64	8	31	39	126
	Canada	WU18	7	1	2	3	2
'24-25	Barrie	OHL	64	26	33	59	88

BEST CASE: Jacob Trouba

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JACKSON SMITH

BORN May 13, 2007, Calgary, Alta.
2024-25 Tri-City (WHL)
POS D **HT** 6-3 **WT** 195 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 13 (NA skaters)

➤ HE'S NOT THE most offensive defenseman in the draft nor the most physical, but Smith has shown enough flashes of both attributes to get scouts excited about his potential. "At the end of the day, after some growing pains, you're going to get a really good skating, defense-first guy with better-than-average transition and skill," said one scout. "He's a very good skater, and he can wire the puck in stride. What you'll see in the NHL is that he'll tease you with his offense, but it never quite comes to the fore."

There is a lot to like about Smith's all-around game, but he must be better in his own end. He has good size and strength and will improve once he adds more consistency to his game. "He's one of those guys you can draft and just plug in and say, 'OK, we're good for 12 years,'" said another scout. Smith projects as a top-pairing 'D' at the NHL level. He logged big minutes in all situations in Tri-City and finished tied for second in ice time among draft-eligible CHL defensemen this season.

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Edge School	U15	29	15	23	38	52
'22-23	Edge School	U18	16	5	4	9	28
'23-24	Tri-City	WHL	62	8	21	29	41
'24-25	Tri-City	WHL	68	11	43	54	48
	Canada	WU18	7	4	1	5	4

BEST CASE: Thomas Harley

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JAKE O'BRIEN

BORN June 16, 2007, Toronto, Ont.
2024-25 Brantford (OHL)
POS C **HT** 6-2 **WT** 172 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 4 (NA skaters)

➤ COMING OFF A monster rookie year in the OHL, O'Brien set a high bar for himself in his draft campaign. But he still managed to impress. "He's a very cerebral player," said one scout. "He varies his attack, he's very creative, and he's a great playmaker who can finish. He's always on the right side of the puck and plays well with and without it. He's very good defensively, and he's a top-end, elite talent offensively. Once he fills out, he's going to be a very good player. At least a No. 2 center in the NHL."

O'Brien earned Team East MVP honors at the OHL Top Prospects Game in front of his home fans in Brantford. He was also the OHL's rookie of the year last season. Even then, he may still be underrated. "He's in the Wyatt Johnston mold that thinks the game well," said another scout. "He's very elusive, but he's not going to run you over. He'll steal pucks by lifting sticks or jumping pass routes. He's a guy who people will say, 'You picked that guy over him?' in a few years. He has that potential."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Tor. Jr. Cdns	U15					DNP
'22-23	Tor. Jr. Cdns	U16	34	16	17	33	6
'23-24	Brantford	OHL	61	13	51	64	10
	Canada Red	WU17	7	0	1	1	4
'24-25	Brantford	OHL	66	32	66	98	18

BEST CASE: Nick Suzuki

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BRADY MARTIN

BORN March 16, 2007, Elmira, Ont.
2024-25 Sault Ste. Marie (OHL)
POS C **HT** 6-0 **WT** 178 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 11 (NA skaters)

➤ IN SOME WAYS, Martin is a throwback to the old-school NHL. The kid grew up on a farm in small-town Ontario, where his gym routine was whatever was needed to maintain the family's cattle herd. "The way he plays, he might end up being one of the best pros," said one scout. "You've got a kid who has never done power skating or summer skill camps. He's just a hockey player. His compete level is off the charts. He plays both ends of the ice and in all the hard areas."

Martin didn't have much depth around him in the Soo, but he piled up points for Canada at the U-18s when he had elite linemates. "Brady Martin can play on my team anytime," said another scout. "He's a very competitive guy. He's a good skater, and he delivers the same effort every night, every shift. He never cheats. He doesn't take any shortcuts. He's just a gritty, hardworking player who achieves through energy, effort and skill. He's the kind of guy every team covets in terms of how he can influence how the whole lineup plays."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Waterloo	U16	27	21	21	42	6
'22-23	Waterloo	U16	23	27	29	56	38
'23-24	Sault Ste. Marie	OHL	52	10	18	28	40
'24-25	Sault Ste. Marie	OHL	57	33	39	72	68
	Canada	WU18	7	3	8	11	29

BEST CASE: Travis Konecny

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BRAEDEN COOTES

BORN Feb. 9, 2007, Sherwood Park, Alta.
2024-25 Seattle (WHL)
POS C **HT** 5-11 **WT** 183 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 20 (NA skaters)

WE DARE YOU to try to find someone who will say something bad about Cootes. The Thunderbirds star had an excellent WHL season before running roughshod over the competition at the U-18 worlds with Team Canada. "He's one of my favorites," said one scout. "He doesn't have anyone to play with and gets the tough matchups, and he still makes things happen. He's really smart, with deceptive skill. He skates well and plays hard. He checks all the boxes."

In a draft class that isn't seen as very strong, Cootes has a chance to go pretty high, as there aren't many flaws to his game. Heck, if he were three inches taller and 15 pounds heavier, we might be talking about him in the top five. "It's just the way he goes about the game," said another scout. "He plays first PK, first PP, and he has excellent hands. He can pick up a puck in the neutral zone and move up swiftly down the wall and then go wide to the net. He can find players with accurate passes. He's one of those players who has it all with his skating, skill and sense."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Yale Academy	UI5	30	29	38	67	16
'22-23	Sherwood Park U18		27	14	24	38	20
'23-24	Seattle	WHL	64	14	21	35	16
'24-25	Seattle	WHL	60	26	37	63	18
	Canada	WU18	7	6	6	12	0

BEST CASE: Anthony Cirelli

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RADIM MRTKA

BORN June 9, 2007, Havlickuv Brod, Cze.
2024-25 Seattle (WHL)
POS D **HT** 6-6 **WT** 207 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 5 (NA skaters)

A 6-FOOT-6 right-shot D-man who can skate and move the puck? Whichever team drafts Mrtka will be able to put his name on its roster in permanent marker in a few years. Going to Seattle was a great move for Mrtka, who impressed scouts with his all-around game, although they would like to see more physicality from him. "I love this kid," said one scout. "GMs see a D-man who can skate and is big and will be able to play 18 minutes a night. It's not the sexiest pick, but it's almost like an offensive lineman in football."

Mrtka joined Seattle after starting the season in the Czech League, and while he put up solid offensive numbers in the WHL, scouts aren't expecting him to duplicate that in the NHL. But there's still a lot to like about Mrtka as a future middle-pair blueliner. "I don't think his offensive game will translate to the next level, but I think transitionally it will," said another scout. "He'll move the puck really well. He's a well-rounded shutdown guy with a good transitional game."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Havlickuv Brod U17		41	2	7	9	36
'22-23	Trinec	U17	36	1	12	13	14
'23-24	Trinec	Jr.	19	4	7	11	8
'24-25	Trinec	Cze.	10	0	1	1	0
	Seattle	WHL	43	3	32	35	46

BEST CASE: Colton Parayko

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CARTER BEAR

BORN Nov. 4, 2006, Winnipeg, Man.
2024-25 Everett (WHL)
POS LW **HT** 6-0 **WT** 179 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 10 (NA skaters)

BEAR'S DRAFT YEAR came to an abrupt and crushing end when he sustained a lacerated Achilles in early March. But before that happened, he was putting up gaudy numbers, and he ended up leading the Silvertips in points despite missing 12 games. "He kind of came out of nowhere," said one scout. "I don't think anybody had him as a first-rounder at the start of the season, but then he started scoring and just never stopped."

Like a lot of forwards in this year's draft, Bear is a tad undersized, but there's nothing in his play to suggest he's afraid of going to the scoring areas and absorbing the requisite punishment once he gets there. Scouts project him as a 60-point top-six forward at the NHL level, and he'll get there on a combination of skill and compete. "For me, this kid is an easy, easy projection," said another scout. "He'll be a guy who will play in all situations. If you're winning or losing by a goal, he'll be the type of guy who is on the ice in both of those situations."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Wpg. Thrashers U18		39	25	17	42	34
'22-23	Wpg. Thrashers U18		31	32	27	59	24
	Everett	WHL	19	1	1	2	0
'23-24	Everett	WHL	67	25	32	57	26
'24-25	Everett	WHL	56	40	42	82	77

BEST CASE: Adrian Kempe

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LOGAN HENSLER

BORN Oct. 14, 2006, Woodbury, Minn.
2024-25 Wisconsin (Big Ten)
POS D **HT** 6-2 **WT** 197 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 12 (NA skaters)

EXPECTATIONS CAN be a tricky thing. As a late birthday, Hensler had used up his two years with the U.S. NTDP, so he jumped to the NCAA, where he faced older, stronger opponents. So, after beginning the season as one of the top blueliners to watch, his stock did slide. "He had an up-and-down year," said one scout. "Expectations were higher, and I wanted more from him. But he had his moments and showed some flashes of offense."

Hensler played a depth role at the WJC. He won gold but didn't look overly comfortable. That'll change next year, now that he has more experience. "Some people beat him up because they want more offense or more definition," said another scout. "The tools drive his game. He's 6-foot-2, he's strong, and he's a terrific skater. He contains and steers people away defensively rather than kill plays. Guys like him who go to the NTDP and hit college early usually turn out. If you're a naysayer, you want more physicality and production, but I thought he was good, not great, all year."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Hill-Murray	USHS	31	7	17	24	17
'22-23	USA U17	NTDP	60	5	23	28	12
'23-24	USA U18	NTDP	61	4	28	32	26
'24-25	Wisconsin	Big Ten	32	2	10	12	27
	USA	WJC	7	0	1	1	8

BEST CASE: Rasmus Andersson

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CAMERON REID

BORN April 8, 2007, Aylmer, Ont.
2024-25 Kitchener (OHL)
POS D **HT** 6-0 **WT** 193 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 23 (NA skaters)

➤ **REID, WHO FINISHED** behind only Kashawn Aitchison in CHL scoring among draft-eligible defensemen, has shown this season that he can put up points from the back end. But scouts are not projecting the undersized rearguard to do the same thing at the next level. "He's a good, solid player, but he's six-feet," said one scout. "And you can be a good, solid player in the OHL when you're six-feet. He's kind of a tweener for me."

That doesn't necessarily mean Reid has no future as an effective NHL player, particularly with his high-level skating and good stick skills. There's definitely a place in the league for players with those traits. "He's kind of a new breed of NHL defenseman," said another scout. "He transitions more with his feet than his brain, and he closes the gap really well. I think his tools are going to lead him to be a very good defensive guy in the vein of (Brock) Faber, but not quite as good. There's not enough offense to get him on the first power play."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Bishop Kearney U14		77	16	43	59	26
'22-23	Bishop Kearney U15		75	22	47	69	-
'23-24	Kitchener OHL		49	2	21	23	17
	Canada White WU17		8	1	1	2	0
'24-25	Kitchener OHL		67	14	40	54	44

BEST CASE: Filip Hronek

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LYNDEN LAKOVIC

BORN Dec. 12, 2006, Kelowna, B.C.
2024-25 Moose Jaw (WHL)
POS LW **HT** 6-4 **WT** 190 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 14 (NA skaters)

➤ **LAKOVIC HAD A** fantastic season as an underager, helping the Warriors to a WHL title. This season was more challenging, with Moose Jaw missing the post-season altogether after losing key veterans and Lakovic sustaining a lower-body injury that cost him more than a month of action. But, in the end, he still led the team in scoring. "One of the reasons Moose Jaw ended up at the Memorial Cup is because of him and the work he put in," said one scout. "He's a terrific passer and sees the ice where others may not. He goes to the scoring areas and has been a net-front guy at times. He drives the net and can also find that seam pass needed to set up a teammate."

Not every NHL team agrees, however. "He's a big guy who can skate and really shoot it," said another scout. "I don't want to call him soft, but he plays light and on the outside. There's not a lot of work on the backside. He lets linemates get the puck, and I've never seen him fight. But with his tools, if he figures it out, you're going to get a hockey player."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	West Van.	U18	33	18	9	27	8
'22-23	Moose Jaw WHL		37	2	5	7	8
	Canada Black WU17		7	1	2	3	2
'23-24	Moose Jaw WHL		68	18	21	39	14
'24-25	Moose Jaw WHL		47	27	31	58	4

BEST CASE: Roope Hintz

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MALCOLM SPENCE

BORN Sept. 22, 2006, Mississauga, Ont.
2024-25 Erie (OHL)
POS LW **HT** 6-1 **WT** 203 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 17 (NA skaters)

➤ **BEFORE GOING TO** Erie, Spence was a standout U-16 player who won the OHL Cup while teammates with Michael Misa. In his third season in Erie, Spence popped in more goals, but his point production didn't take a huge leap from the year prior. "He's got speed and a great shot," said one scout. "Probably plagued a bit by inconsistency. You don't see the same player every night. In some games, he's very good. In others, he's a non-factor. Once he gains that level of consistency, he'll be fine. But right now, he's been a bit of an underachiever."

The Otters went through a mid-season coaching change and the loss of star defenseman Matthew Schaefer due to injury, so the campaign wasn't as successful as it could've been. Next year, he'll ply his trade at the University of Michigan. "He's a really talented kid and a real good athlete," said another scout. "He's a good skater. He has good size. He gets to the net and has some skill to make plays but also to shoot it. He's good on the penalty kill, and he's a real good kid."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Miss. Senators U16		28	29	27	56	14
'22-23	Erie OHL		64	16	26	42	14
'23-24	Erie OHL		66	19	43	62	26
	Canada WU18		7	3	4	7	22
'24-25	Erie OHL		65	32	41	73	57

BEST CASE: Zach Hyman

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JACK NESBITT

BORN Jan. 12, 2007, Sarnia, Ont.
2024-25 Windsor (OHL)
POS C **HT** 6-4 **WT** 185 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 15 (NA skaters)

➤ **THE SPITFIRES WERE** one of major junior's biggest surprises this year, going from last place in the Western Conference in 2023-24 to third overall in the OHL in '24-25. Nesbitt, who more than tripled his production in that time, was a big part of the equation. "I know there are games where I wish he played with more jam, but he ends up with a goal and two assists," said one scout. "It's his play with the puck and how he has improved his skating. He has the hockey sense. He's a 5-foot-11 skill guy in a big frame."

Ah yes, the frame. Like many prospects, Nesbitt just needs gym time and calories to fill out what will be an NHL body, and that's a huge checkmark. "He's a big man," said another scout. "He's pretty smart. He plays a physical two-way game and had just about a point a game. He's a big man who has yet to fill out his frame. Once he does and gets some man strength, he will be a physical force. He's playing well now, but we're only scratching the surface with this guy."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Lambton U15		27	23	17	40	14
'22-23	Lambton U16		28	20	29	49	42
'23-24	Windsor OHL		58	9	9	18	58
'24-25	Windsor OHL		65	25	39	64	74
	Canada WU18		6	2	3	5	6

BEST CASE: Kirill Marchenko

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JUSTIN CARBONNEAU

BORN Nov. 25, 2006, Levis, Que.
2024-25 Blainville-Boisbriand (QMJHL)
POS RW **HT** 6-1 **WT** 191 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 16 (NA skaters)

➤ **THERE'S A LOT** to like in Carboneau, a power forward who put up impressive offensive numbers in the QMJHL this season. But like a lot of young players, Carboneau has issues with consistency. If he can get a handle on that, he'll have a solid future in the NHL. "I saw games where he did everything I wanted him to do in terms of showing care and tenacity," said one scout. "But in the playoffs, I didn't see him do those things. If he's the right type of kid, with his body, his powerful skating and his shot, he will be successful at the NHL level."

Carboneau managed just three points in five playoff games, but he had 14 goals in his final 16 regular-season games and finished tied for second in goals in the QMJHL with 46, so there is potential offense to go with his power game. Although some scouts struggle to find a clear identity, Carboneau definitely has an upside. "He's an elite thinker," said another scout. "His hockey IQ is very good. His feet are going to pick up as he moves along."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Levis	U18	40	8	32	40	32
'22-23	Levis	U18	23	15	14	29	38
	R.-Nor./B.-B.	QMJHL	32	5	15	20	10
'23-24	Blain.-Bois.	QMJHL	68	31	28	59	32
'24-25	Blain.-Bois.	QMJHL	62	46	43	89	61

BEST CASE: Ryan Donato

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IVAN RYABKIN

BORN April 25, 2007, Balakovo, Rus.
2024-25 Muskegon (USHL)
POS C **HT** 5-11 **WT** 205 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 35 (NA skaters)

➤ **THE WORD THAT** comes to mind when pontificating on Ryabkin's season is "dramatic." He started the season at home in Russia, where he fell out of favor with Dynamo Moscow while bouncing between the KHL, the minors and junior. He then left for the USHL, where he scored two goals in his first game, then got a slew-footing major that resulted in a three-game ban in his second. There are questions about his conditioning, as his 5-foot-11, 205-pound frame may suggest. "He's a wild card," said one scout. "I don't think he was in the best shape when he got here, but he's highly skilled, and he can make plays as well as anyone. The talent package is good. He just needs to do a better job on his body."

For what it's worth, Ryabkin produced as the season went on. As he helped Muskegon make a championship playoff run, he vaulted to the top of the post-season scoring race. "He's a smart forward with a good stick, and he's skilled," said another scout. "He certainly should be at the top of the USHL draft class."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'22-23	Dyn. Moscow	U16	8	13	10	23	8
	Dyn. Moscow	U17	20	10	23	33	22
'23-24	Dyn. Moscow	Jr.	44	24	34	58	40
'24-25	Dyn. Moscow	Jr.	15	1	11	12	26
	Muskegon	USHL	27	19	11	30	70

BEST CASE: Sam Bennett

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JAKOB IHS-WOZNAK

BORN Feb. 1, 2007, Adelaide, Aus.
2024-25 Lulea Jr. (Swe.)
POS LW **HT** 6-2 **WT** 184 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 8 (Int'l skaters)

➤ **SCOUTS EXPECTED** Ihs-Wozniak to put up some eye-popping numbers in 2024-25 after breaking the scoring record for 17-year-olds in the Swedish junior league last season, but his production stagnated. That, plus some underwhelming showings at the Hlinka Gretzky and Five Nations tournaments, had him tumble out of the top 10. Scouts want to see Ihs-Wozniak ramp up both his physical play and his urgency. "When he decides to compete and work, he is very hard to stop," said one scout. "I find him wildly inconsistent, particularly with his compete. When he's using his body, he's really good. I just haven't seen him do it that often."

Ihs-Wozniak projects as a second-liner if he figures things out. Multiple scouts said that when he goes to the dirty areas, he can accomplish a lot. "We're still trying to figure him out," said another scout. "He just blends in sometimes. He has some consistency issues that need to be addressed. He has size and does some good things, but you often can't find him."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'22-23	Lulea	U18	31	19	27	46	6
'23-24	Lulea	Jr.	36	22	28	50	18
	Sweden	WU17	7	1	6	7	2
'24-25	Lulea	Jr.	40	23	34	57	18
	Lulea	Swe.	13	1	1	2	0

BEST CASE: Tyler Toffoli

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MILTON GASTRIN

BORN June 2, 2007, Ornskoldsvik, Swe.
2024-25 Modo Jr. (Swe.)
POS C **HT** 6-0 **WT** 185 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 3 (Int'l skaters)

➤ **THE CAPTAIN OF** Sweden's world U-18 and Hlinka Gretzky Cup teams, Gastrin projects as a responsible two-way center and a strong leader. He has continually proven he can create offense, and he tied for second in scoring for Sweden at the Hlinka Gretzky last summer, with three goals and 10 points in five games. That came despite Gastrin playing tough minutes against the opposition's best players. "There's a lot of love for him," said one scout. "He has good hands, and he's a good skater."

Scouts want Gastrin to show more consistency. "He's really talented, depending on what game you go to," said another scout. "He's more talented than (fellow Swede Jakob) Ihs-Wozniak in terms of skill, but he's a little bit smaller."

Neither a dynamic scorer nor a flashy set-up man, Gastrin relies more on guile than natural talent, and that might limit him as a future offensive threat. But he's good on faceoffs and competes hard for loose pucks. Once he gets bigger and stronger, he'll begin winning more of those battles.

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Domsjo	U16	29	32	21	53	14
'22-23	Modo	U18	31	18	19	37	4
'23-24	Modo	Jr.	41	7	9	16	8
'24-25	Modo	Jr.	40	18	24	42	18
	Sweden	WU18	7	3	7	10	2

BEST CASE: Elias Lindholm

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CULLEN POTTER

BORN Jan. 10, 2007, Hortonville, Wis.
2024-25 Arizona State (NCHC)
POS LW **HT** 5-10 **WT** 172 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 22 (NA skaters)

▶ PLAYERS DON'T OFTEN

leave the NTDP after just one year, but Potter got the chance to jump straight onto the roster at Arizona State and took it. The son of Olympic gold medallist and USA Hockey legend Jenny Potter, Cullen was solid for the Sun Devils as one of the youngest players in college hockey. "He didn't have a big supporting cast, but he can play against big guys," said one scout. "He goes to the hard areas and beats guys by changing speeds. He's a dawg. He hunts pucks. He's on the slighter side, but he doesn't play that way."

Potter rejoined his NTDP mates for the U-18s, helping them to a bronze medal. But not everyone agrees on his inside game. "He's one of the better skaters in the draft, and his individual skill set is quite good," said another scout. "The size matters a little. There are games where he gets swallowed up. A lot of his offense is rush-driven, perimeter-based or on the power play. He's a very good individual player who could use a bit more sense."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'22-23	Dallas	UI6	52	43	44	87	-
'23-24	USA U17	NTDP	54	17	29	46	28
	USA	WU17	7	1	7	8	6
'24-25	Arizona State	NCHC	35	13	9	22	6
	USA	WU18	7	4	4	8	4

BEST CASE: Seth Jarvis

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JOSHUA RAVENSBERGEN

BORN Nov. 27, 2006, N. Vancouver, B.C.
2024-25 Prince George (WHL)
POS G **HT** 6-5 **WT** 190 **CATCHES** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 1 (NA goalies)

▶ THE CONSENSUS

No. 1 goalie in the draft, Ravensbergen may not have the best stats, but he was a busy young man in Prince George. Only five WHL goalies made more saves this year, and Ravensbergen tied for second in wins with 33. "He has quickness, and he's agile and mobile for a big guy," said one scout. "He has really good balance and control of his movements. I like that, for a big guy, he steps out and challenges shooters effectively instead of always staying deep in his net. He gets above the crease on long shots and cuts the angle on shooting lanes on the side. He demonstrates a lot of good awareness in his game and has developed very well."

Ravensbergen has all the fundamentals of an NHL starter, and he'll have a lot of time to refine those skills before turning pro. "The things he's good at, his length, his speed and his compete, are the hardest things to teach," said another scout. "There's definitely some technical and structural refinement that needs to happen, but it's a late-developing position."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	W-L-T	GAA	SP
'20-21	Vancouver NW U15	DNP			
'21-22	Vancouver NW U17	12-7-0	3.21	n/a	
'22-23	Vancouver NW U18	15-2-3	2.10	n/a	
'23-24	Prince George WHL	26-4-1	2.46	.907	
'24-25	Prince George WHL	33-13-4	3.00	.901	

BEST CASE: Sam Montembeault

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BEN KINDEL

BORN April 19, 2007, Coquitlam, B.C.
2024-25 Calgary (WHL)
POS C **HT** 5-10 **WT** 176 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 21 (NA skaters)

▶ THERE ARE TWO

main issues in Kindel's game that concern scouts. One he can't control; the other, he can. Scouts wish he were a little bit bigger (can't control) and that he was a better skater (can control). But there is a lot to like about a prospect who led all WHL draft-eligible players in scoring this season. "He just keeps getting better and better every time I see him play," said one scout. "He has a wicked-quick release, but he doesn't have the explosiveness in his skating you'd like to see. If he skated like (Cole) Caufield, he'd be in the top seven or eight."

Despite Kindel's skating deficiencies, scouts like his two-way game. His hockey sense gives him the ability to read plays, and he has good instincts without the puck. And because he's not an overly large player, he tends to find holes in the offensive zone rather than running people over. "He's got a really good engine, but size is a bit of an issue," said another scout. "He's a real competitor, and he has really good offensive instincts."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'20-21	Burnaby	UI5	6	3	8	11	2
'21-22	Burnaby	UI5	22	12	35	47	4
'22-23	Yale Academy	U18	29	17	29	46	18
'23-24	Calgary	WHL	68	15	45	60	14
'24-25	Calgary	WHL	65	35	64	99	39

BEST CASE: Jonathan Marchessault

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COLE RESCHNY

BORN April 6, 2007, Macklin, Sask.
2024-25 Victoria (WHL)
POS C **HT** 5-10 **WT** 183 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 25 (NA skaters)

▶ SOME SCOUTS JOKED

that you don't notice Reschny much in a game until you look at the scoresheet. "He becomes a guy you can discount," said one scout. "You watch him, and you say, 'He was fine. Oh yeah, he had three points.'"

Size and skating are both factors with Reschny, but there is no disputing the fact that he was the offensive alpha male with the Royals this season. Think Zach Benson of the Buffalo Sabres with a little less abrasiveness. "His skating is average," said another scout. "It's not bad, but it's average. His jump is average. His change of speed is average. But he did a lot with not a lot around him in Victoria." As such, he could be a wild card in the draft when all is said and done. "I think Reschny falls in the draft a little bit," said another scout, "and somebody gets a really good player later than they should."

At the NHL level, Reschny projects as a middle-six forward who could move into the top six if he's able to add strength and improve his skating deficiencies.

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Northern Alta.	UI5	25	40	52	92	42
'22-23	Sask. Blazers	UI8	34	23	42	65	38
'23-24	Victoria	WHL	61	21	38	59	14
'24-25	Victoria	WHL	62	26	66	92	44
	Canada	WU18	5	5	3	8	4

BEST CASE: Mikael Granlund

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BILL ZONNON

BORN Oct. 3, 2006, Montreal, Que.
2024-25 Rouyn-Noranda (QMJHL)
POS C **HT** 6-2 **WT** 187 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 31 (NA skaters)

➤ WE ASKED FOUR different scouts about Zonnon, and they all used exactly the same words in their assessments of him. "I love him," they all said. There are more talented players in the draft and definitely more offensively explosive players, but there are few others who match Zonnon in intangibles. "He's a lock to play, and anyone who is a lock to play is someone you should draft," said one scout. "This guy makes it so easy to project him when you watch him. His energy, hustle and compete jump off the page, plus he has a good shot, can score, and his sense is above average."

So why isn't he ranked higher in the draft? Well, there is a ceiling to his potential, and most scouts see him as a third-liner. There's nothing wrong with that, but there are limitations. "I don't see him as a top-six player, but I'm fighting with my scouts about that," said another scout. "I like him just because of his size and compete. He has the size and skating ability, but whether he can play in the top six, I'm not sure."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Northwood	USHS	51	12	15	27	-
'22-23	R.-Noranda	QMJHL	63	16	23	39	12
	Canada White	WU17	6	1	2	3	2
'23-24	R.-Noranda	QMJHL	68	18	40	58	28
'24-25	R.-Noranda	QMJHL	64	28	55	83	32

BEST CASE: Dylan Holloway

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SHANE VANSAGHI

BORN Oct. 11, 2006, St. Louis, Mo.
2024-25 Michigan State (Big Ten)
POS RW **HT** 6-2 **WT** 215 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 33 (NA skaters)

➤ AS A TRUE freshman on a team ranked No. 1 in the NCAA for stretches, Vansaghi wasn't expected to play a big role for the Spartans just yet, but he made the most of his chances. "He played that bottom-six role perfectly," said one scout. "He definitely embraced it, and for me, that's probably what he'll be at the next level, playing hard along the walls and down low. He did a really good job."

Even in his limited role, Vansaghi put up solid stats. And that's all the more impressive because he was still 17 when the season began. He's one to watch for the U.S. world-junior squad next year, but it's the NHL-style game that has teams excited. "He's a bull in a china shop," said another scout. "He has more of a likelihood of playing than most people in the draft. He has a sneaky-good skill set and can snap it off. He's action-based offensively and drives the slot. He'll play through people and get shots on net. Sometimes, he doesn't even make a play; he just causes chaos, and his linemates bury the loose puck."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	St. Louis	U16	20	6	8	14	14
'22-23	USA U17	NTDP	54	9	9	18	16
'23-24	USA U18	NTDP	59	12	11	23	56
	USA	WU18	7	0	1	1	2
'24-25	Michigan State	Big Ten	37	6	10	16	30

BEST CASE: Ivan Barbashev

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HENRY BRZUSTEWICZ

BORN Feb. 9, 2007, Washington, Mich.
2024-25 London (OHL)
POS D **HT** 6-2 **WT** 203 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 19 (NA skaters)

➤ BEING A LONDON Knight in your draft year can be a double-edged sword. On one hand, you're in arguably the best development program in the CHL, and you're bound to get a lot of attention from scouts. On the other hand, because of your age, you're usually playing behind three or four veterans. That was the case for Brzustewicz, the younger brother of Calgary Flames' defense prospect Hunter. "He's very well-rounded," said one scout. "He's coming along really well in London, and he does all the little things. He's really composed. It's almost like he's been playing in the (OHL) for four or five years."

Another scout, who believes "the London factor" results in players getting drafted a round higher than they should be, isn't as high on him, saying Brzustewicz needs to improve his consistency of effort. "When he's on, he's up the ice and stepping up on people without the puck; he can be really good," said the scout. "When he's not, he can be a turnover machine, and he can get a little bit soft at times."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'20-21	Shattuck	U14	49	2	11	13	26
'21-22	Shattuck	U14	52	11	42	53	46
'22-23	North Jersey	U16	65	29	36	65	54
'23-24	London	OHL	52	2	4	6	20
'24-25	London	OHL	67	10	32	42	77

BEST CASE: Samuel Girard

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CAMERON SCHMIDT

BORN Jan. 19, 2007, Edmonton, Alta.
2024-25 Vancouver (WHL)
POS RW **HT** 5-7 **WT** 161 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 43 (NA skaters)

➤ WITH THE EXCEPTION of top-five prospect Michael Misa, there might not be a player in the draft who has a better shot than Schmidt. The reason he's not in the same conversation as Misa has to do with his size and competitiveness. Scouts were also a little concerned that Schmidt had 26 goals in the first half of the season and only 14 in the second half. "His shot is elite, and his quickness and short-area skating is excellent," said one scout. "But I think he's a very incomplete player. I think his compete borders on problematic."

If Schmidt can improve in some key areas, the Logan Stankoven comparisons may indeed come to fruition. He still has a couple of WHL seasons to figure it out, and there is no disputing his ability to produce. "He's unbelievably skilled, and he's a wizard with the puck, but guys pick him up and throw him around in the Western League," said another scout. "What's going to happen in the NHL? But that said, people have made a lot of mistakes in the past on little guys with lots of skill."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Rink Academy	U15	32	58	34	92	-
'22-23	Rink Academy	U18	33	25	13	38	-
'23-24	Vancouver	WHL	59	31	27	58	25
'24-25	Vancouver	WHL	61	40	38	78	44
	Canada	WU18	7	2	2	4	8

BEST CASE: Alex DeBrincat

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BLAKE FIDDLER

BORN July 9, 2007, Nashville, Tenn.
2024-25 Edmonton (WHL)
POS D **HT** 6-4 **WT** 209 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 26 (NA skaters)

➤ **THE SON OF** former NHLer Vernon plays a different position, is much bigger and is more coveted at a young age compared to his dad. Vernon was never drafted, and he had to scratch and claw for everything he got as a pro, while Blake is a lock to be taken, almost certainly in the first two rounds. His offensive upside is limited, but once he gains his identity and sorts out his game, he should be a shutdown NHL rearguard. "If the right team takes him with the right development and coaching and gets on him early to teach him the defensive side, I think he's willing to learn it," a scout said. "When it's all said and done, I think you'd be very happy with him as a second-pair defenseman."

Fiddler makes a good first pass and should put up a lot of points in the next couple of WHL seasons, but his NHL future is as a stay-at-home blueliner. "His skill set doesn't blow anybody away, but he's big," another scout said. "He's a thick, strong kid, and he's good defensively. But I don't think of him as a quarterback on the power play."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Dallas Stars	U14	9	1	2	3	2
'22-23	Dallas Stars	U16	53	6	15	21	-
'23-24	Edmonton	WHL	63	5	10	15	12
'24-25	Edmonton	WHL	64	10	23	33	36
	USA	WU18	7	2	1	3	0

BEST CASE: Gustav Forsling

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WILLIAM MOORE

BORN March 24, 2007, Mississauga, Ont.
2024-25 U.S. NTDP
POS C **HT** 6-2 **WT** 175 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 29 (NA skaters)

➤ **THE U.S. NTDP** got off to a rough start this season, but the U-18s managed to right the ship in the second half. Getting wiped out in the CHL-NTDP series was probably the low point, and as Moore went, so did the team. He wasn't much of a factor against the CHL's draft kids, but he did show well at the U-18s. "He's just scratching the surface," said one scout. "He's a talented kid whose body doesn't always give him what he wants yet. He had a bit of a down year because of that. He's tall, but he's just not strong."

Moore's mother is from Brazil, his father grew up in New York State, and he was born in Canada, so he has dual Canadian-American citizenship. Oh, and he was a piano virtuoso growing up. But besides that fun fact, you have a Boston College commit who just needs to realize his outsized potential. "He's a very smart, very instinctive, very good below-the-dots offensive player," said another scout. "He has an underdeveloped, lanky body, but in terms of offense on that team, he's the cream of the crop."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Miss. Senators	U16	56	35	39	74	8
'22-23	Tor. Marlboros	U16	30	23	37	60	8
'23-24	USA U17	NTDP	50	23	20	43	20
'24-25	USA U18	NTDP	55	23	24	47	6
	USA	WU18	7	3	8	11	2

BEST CASE: Barrett Hayton

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JACK MURTAGH

BORN Aug. 22, 2007, E. Greenbush, N.Y.
2024-25 U.S. NTDP
POS LW **HT** 6-1 **WT** 200 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 30 (NA skaters)

➤ **WHILE MOST OF** his team got caved in at the first-ever CHL-NTDP showdown, Murtagh showed up and looked dangerous for the Americans. He wasn't going to be pushed around, even if the NTDP was clearly outgunned. A high-volume shooter who tied for the NTDP lead in game-winning goals and finished third in team scoring, he's got the skill associated with kids who have typically gravitated to 'The Program' over the years. "He's a talented kid with a good shot," said one scout. "He can skate, and he's competitive."

A Boston University commit, Murtagh was a solid contributor for Team USA at the world U-18s. Overall, he was one of the more impressive players on the NTDP throughout the year. "Jack's been interesting on that team because he has a little bit of hardness to his game," said another scout. "He takes pucks to the net and plays around in those hard areas. On a team that hasn't been overly successful and doesn't have a lot of high-end skill, his game has jumped out for people."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Bishop Kearney U14		73	67	46	113	26
'22-23	Bishop Kearney U15		68	52	49	101	-
'23-24	USA U17	NTDP	53	16	21	37	22
'24-25	USA U18	NTDP	47	20	26	46	32
	USA	WU18	7	2	4	6	4

BEST CASE: Jake Neighbours

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SIMON WANG

BORN July 27, 2007, Beijing, Chn.
2024-25 Oshawa (OHL)
POS D **HT** 6-5 **WT** 215 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 34 (NA skaters)

➤ **NO ONE IS** expecting Wang to step into the NHL right away. Heck, it might take at least five years until he's ready. But the payoff could be tremendous. "He's a big, rangy guy and as raw as they come," said one scout. "He has a long stick and makes good reads. He's just very raw. He's a big project right now."

Born and raised in China, Wang came to Canada at 12 and began this season in the OJHL with the King Rebellion. When the NCAA rules changed to allow CHLers, Wang moved to OHL Oshawa for an extra challenge, and he's committed to Boston University in the future. "He has the physical tools," said another scout. "His skating, when he's moving, borders on elite. Talk about being a unicorn. The skills have gotten better. He can make plays. But I wonder about his hockey sense and how he processes the game. That doesn't bode well down the road when things get tougher. But if he has the right attitude, there's no reason why he can't be an NHLer down the road. That's what player development is for."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'22-23	North York	U16	33	3	4	7	24
	North York	Jr. A	4	0	0	0	0
'23-24	Brantford	Jr. A	28	0	7	7	22
'24-25	King	Jr. A	38	4	18	22	73
	Oshawa	OHL	32	0	2	2	19

BEST CASE: Esa Lindell

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VOJTECH CIHAR

BORN March 29, 2007, Chomutov, Cze.
2024-25 Karlovy Vary (Cze.)
POS LW **HT** 6-0 **WT** 175 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 4 (Int'l skaters)

➤ **A STATLINE THAT** shows only nine points in 43 games might not seem like much, but when you look under the hood, there's a lot to like about Cihar. First, those nine points were scored playing against pros and led all U-18 players in the Czech league this season. And when Cihar plays with his peers, his stats are much better. Last summer, he took home a silver with the Czechs at the Hlinka Gretzky Cup, and he added a WJC bronze medal in January. It would be interesting to see what Cihar could accomplish in major junior. He was drafted in 2024 by WHL Lethbridge but decided to stay home in a league notorious for not playing young players and for not developing their offensive games. "I like him, and I think he's easily projectable," said one scout. "I think you've got a solid third-line guy with a speed-based attack game. With his speed and puck-pursuit abilities, I think there's a home for him on the second line in the right situation. But I don't know that he ever becomes a primary offensive player."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Chomutov	U17	32	18	22	40	10
'22-23	Karlovy Vary	U17	31	23	23	46	24
'23-24	Karlovy Vary	Jr.	35	14	12	26	20
'24-25	Karlovy Vary	Cze.	43	4	5	9	8
	Czechia	WJC	7	1	1	2	29

BEST CASE: Nick Foligno

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EDDIE GENBORG

BORN April 20, 2007, Trollhattan, Swe.
2024-25 Linköping (Swe.)
POS RW **HT** 6-1 **WT** 179 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 6 (Int'l skaters)

➤ **SPLITTING THE YEAR** between Linköping's pro and U-20 teams, Genborg established himself as a physical, high-energy, two-way winger. On the high end, Genborg projects as a top-six forward. At the low end, he's a solid third-liner with the potential to move up. "This kid is heavy, with and without the puck," said one scout. "His skill and sense aren't bad, and there's probably enough there that he can find his way onto a higher line because he'll do the things other guys don't want to do or aren't as good at." Scouts saw a player in January who seemed to be finding his footing offensively and may have emerged as a top-six candidate before regressing late in the season. So, the upshot is that when Genborg gets to the NHL, he may be worth more than he is now. But even if he isn't, there's a big-league future for him. "He has size, physicality and great perception, and I like the way he attacks the slot and battles for pucks," said another scout. "He'll be a third-line guy that guys will want on their line."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'22-23	Linköping	U18	27	5	9	14	8
'23-24	Linköping	Jr.	25	4	1	5	41
	Sweden	WU17	7	1	2	3	6
'24-25	Linköping	Jr.	28	19	15	34	26
	Linköping	Swe.	28	2	0	2	4

BEST CASE: Will Cuyllé

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LUCA ROMANO

BORN June 25, 2007, Toronto, Ont.
2024-25 Kitchener (OHL)
POS C **HT** 5-11 **WT** 177 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 48 (NA skaters)

➤ **LIKE MANY OF** the forwards in the 2025 draft, Romano is plagued by concerns about his size and consistency. That said, he can produce offense and is poised to be a big-time point producer in the OHL over the next two seasons. Projections for Romano vary wildly, even among scouts for the same team. "I'm not much of a fan, but my OHL guy loves him," said one scout. "I find he darts around and has good short bursts, yet he never seems to get there to pressure the puck and never seems to get into the slot with the puck." Scouts see a player they describe as a "good junior," which is code for concerns about whether his game will translate to the NHL level. He's definitely going to have to put on some muscle in order to make the jump, which hardly makes him unique among young players. "For me, consistency is the big thing with him," said another scout. "He has some ability, but it's not there all the time. If he figures it out and can get that consistency, he has a lot of good tools."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'22-23	Tor. Jr. Cdns	U16	36	15	31	46	14
	Stouffville	Jr. A	1	0	0	0	0
'23-24	Kitchener	OHL	56	10	12	22	8
	Canada Red	WU17	7	1	1	2	2
'24-25	Kitchener	OHL	67	25	26	51	22

BEST CASE: Blake Coleman

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ERIC NILSON

BORN May 11, 2007, Calgary, Alta.
2024-25 Djurgården Jr. (Swe.)
POS C **HT** 5-11 **WT** 156 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 7 (Int'l skaters)

➤ **THE SON OF** former NHLer Marcus Nilson, Eric was born in Calgary when his father was a Flame, but there is no doubt he is a Swede for hockey purposes. Nilson was a point-per-game player in Sweden's junior league this season, and while scouts liked his play at the Hlinka Gretzky Cup last summer, they were less enamored with his showing at the Five Nations tournament in February. "He's a guy who grows on you," said one scout. "If you really start watching him, he doesn't have a lot of high-end plays. But every time he's on the ice, the play and the puck seems to go through him. If they break out of the zone, he's the one making the pass. If they're making a play in the offensive zone, he's the one who started it. He's a very subtle, sneaky-good player." There is some optimism that Nilson might be able to add more offense to his game as a pro. "He has good sense, and he distributes the puck well," said another scout. "He does have offensive tools, and he has some skill, but I see him as more of a cog than a catalyst."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'22-23	Orebro	U16	10	9	9	18	6
'23-24	Orebro	U18	27	17	32	49	18
	Orebro	Jr.	29	6	9	15	14
'24-25	Djurgården	Jr.	37	12	26	38	56
	Sweden	WU18	7	2	3	5	12

BEST CASE: Vincent Trocheck

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WILL HORCOFF

BORN Jan. 23, 2007, Birmingham, Mich.
2024-25 Michigan (Big Ten)
POS C **HT** 6-5 **WT** 190 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 24 (NA skaters)

LIKE FORMER

teammate Cullen Potter, Horcoff did something rare this year: he left the NTDP during the season to join an NCAA program. Interestingly, he had slightly better numbers playing a full-time college schedule at Michigan. "It was a good move for him to go to college," said one scout. "His hands and size are unique. It could be a really strong investment on a longer play. It will take some time, he's very weak for his size, but his hands are notable on the half-wall. He has a knack for pucks finding him in the upper slot, and he's pretty darn good net-front on the power play."

The son of former NHLer and current Detroit assistant GM Shawn Horcoff rejoined many of his NTDP mates at the U-18 worlds. "I like his puck game, and I like him from the blueline in," said another scout. "He's strong along the walls, protects pucks and makes plays off the cycle. He has a nice touch around the net. It's in transition where he struggles. Getting in and out, his feet are going to kill him, but the puck play is solid."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Little Caesars	U14	62	70	45	115	-
'22-23	Little Caesars	U15	80	80	93	173	88
'23-24	USA U17	NTDP	54	11	8	19	44
'24-25	USA U18	NTDP	19	4	4	8	24
	Michigan	Big Ten	18	4	6	10	6

BEST CASE: Andre Burakovsky

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JACOB ROMBACH

BORN April 1, 2007, Blaine, Minn.
2024-25 Lincoln (USHL)
POS D **HT** 6-6 **WT** 196 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 42 (NA skaters)

CONSIDER ROMBACH

a sleeper in this draft class. One scout even said the USHL Lincoln blueliner could sneak his way into the first round. If Rombach does go that high, it won't be due to gaudy point totals. Instead, Rombach's game is all about good ol' fashioned defending. You know, the type that wins NHL playoff series. "He's a big kid who can really skate," said one scout. "His length and the way he plays is what the NHL has gone to. I think he has a chance to go fairly high."

Rombach is a University of Minnesota commit who helped Lincoln make a run to the Western Conference final, where they fell to Waterloo. He also played for Team USA at the World Jr. A Challenge, earning a gold medal in the process. In a down year for the USHL, he's been a bright spot. "He's probably the most improved player from last year to this year," said another scout. "He has good range, good gaps and an active stick. He makes the outlet pass. He's good in transition, and the top speed is good. He's got a chance to be a player."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Minn. Giants	U14	4	3	2	5	0
'22-23	Spr. Lake Park	USHS	26	9	10	19	25
'23-24	Lincoln	USHL	59	3	6	9	14
'24-25	Lincoln	USHL	57	3	15	18	57

BEST CASE: Joel Edmundson

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RYKER LEE

BORN Nov. 8, 2006, Wilmette, Ill.
2024-25 Madison (USHL)
POS RW **HT** 6-0 **WT** 170 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 28 (NA skaters)

THE USHL'S 2024-25

rookie of the year was one of the league's leading scorers for most of the season, but whether that prowess will translate to the next level is the question. "Although the skating is in question, he has a high compete level and very good anticipation," said one scout. "He's a very skilled player who drives offense."

Lee came up through the Shattuck-St. Mary's program, where his U-14 team featured the likes of Macklin Celebrini, Cole Eiserman and Brodie Ziemer. Six members of that squad have already been drafted by NHL teams, and that number could increase to 10 this summer. Next year, Lee will move on to the NCAA with powerhouse Michigan State. There, Spartans coach Adam Nightingale can help Lee round out his game. "He's an offensive player with soft hands who goes to the hard areas and has a great shot and release," said another scout. "But he's never going to be the first guy back. He cheats for offense, and he's an average to below-average skater. He's not a go-to guy."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'20-21	Shattuck	U14	50	21	51	72	20
'21-22	Shattuck	U15	61	34	46	80	8
'22-23	Shattuck	U16	57	55	68	123	8
'23-24	Shattuck	USHS	57	45	54	99	24
'24-25	Madison	USHL	58	31	37	68	18

BEST CASE: Conor Garland

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MATTHEW GARD

BORN April 7, 2007, Winnipeg, Man.
2024-25 Red Deer (WHL)
POS C **HT** 6-4 **WT** 193 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 37 (NA skaters)

IT'S TELLING THAT

Gard finished the season as Red Deer's leading scorer despite putting up just 36 points. But the tall, lanky center developed a lot of good habits in his second year of major junior, and the points will come when he has better teammates around him. However, there's still concern that his offense will be limited. "It seems like the Sutters have had a good impact on him in terms of teaching him to play the game the right way," said one scout. "But I don't believe he's a skill guy by any stretch."

There is a sense that Gard has not quite grown into his body and still has some filling out to do before he's a finished product. His straight-line skating is already fair and will get better as he gets stronger. Scouts like his work habits in both games and practices. "A lot goes on faith and projection with this kid," said another scout. "He was on a bad team and had some things work against him, but by all accounts, he's a high-level kid who plays and practises hard. And that gives me hope."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Rink Academy	U15	27	10	32	42	63
'22-23	Rink Academy	U18	19	9	10	19	30
'23-24	Red Deer	WHL	55	7	11	18	32
'24-25	Red Deer	WHL	66	19	17	36	81
	Canada	WU18	7	1	3	4	4

BEST CASE: Marcus Foligno

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THEO STOCKSELIUS

BORN July 24, 2007, Norrtälje, Swe.
2024-25 Djurgården Jr. (Swe.)
POS RW **HT** 6-3 **WT** 183 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 13 (Int'l skaters)

➤ YOU COULD FORGIVE

Stockselius for seeing his development stall a bit over the past couple of years. When he was 15, he sustained a severe broken leg in a U-18 game. But that wasn't all. Later that year, he underwent two neck surgeries to remove his thyroid gland after doctors found a cancerous tumor. Stockselius has been playing catch-up ever since, and while he's done a valiant job, scouts see an underdeveloped player right now. "He has spent the past two years recovering instead of developing physically," said one scout. "If he's healthy, there's a lot of potential there, but it has to start coming soon."

There have been some encouraging signs. Stockselius produced well in Sweden's junior league and at the U-18 worlds this year. "He's smart, and he's good without the puck," said another scout. "He tries to be physical and accountable, but it doesn't always work out for him. If your doctors get a clean bill of health, he probably moves up because he's a good player with no real weaknesses."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Taby	U16	23	11	14	25	4
'22-23	Taby	U16	31	29	50	79	10
'23-24	Djurgården	U18	37	19	44	63	8
'24-25	Djurgården Jr.	Jr.	40	22	29	51	50
	Sweden	WU18	7	1	4	5	2

BEST CASE: Nino Niederreiter

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BEN KEVAN

BORN Jan. 3, 2007, Fairfield, Calif.
2024-25 Des Moines (USHL)
POS RW **HT** 6-0 **WT** 173 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 55 (NA skaters)

➤ KEVAN HAD A

chance to extend his season after the Buccaneers' campaign ended thanks to an invite to play for the U.S. at the U-18 worlds, where he scored the OT-winner in the bronze-medal game against Slovakia. The Bucs failed to make the playoffs in either of Kevan's two years in Des Moines, so what is his true potential? "He's very skilled," said one scout. "Playing on a team that is not the most talented around him, he gets into 1-on-1 mode because I don't know if he trusts the options around him, which is understandable. I don't know if he'll make a lot of plays at the pro level, but he definitely has the shot and compete level. Skating is a bit of a limiter for him."

Kevan, who is committed to Arizona State, still has a lot to prove. "There's no backup game," said another scout. "But he's also a product of where he developed. I still think he's a late-bloomer and closer to his floor than his ceiling. He's got a good stick, soft hands and good offensive-zone instincts. It's just the other aspects of the game."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Los Angeles	U14	61	67	48	115	45
'22-23	Los Angeles	U15	74	62	50	112	24
'23-24	Des Moines	USHL	59	24	33	57	10
'24-25	Des Moines	USHL	51	13	30	43	43
	USA	WU18	7	2	1	3	0

BEST CASE: Jonathan Drouin

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VACLAV NESTRČIL

BORN April 6, 2007, Prague, Cze.
2024-25 Muskegon (USHL)
POS RW **HT** 6-5 **WT** 187 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 36 (NA skaters)

➤ PLAYING IN THE USHL

landed Nestrčil a scholarship from the University of Massachusetts that's set to begin in 2026-27, but he is very much an unfinished product. The Regina Pats own his CHL rights, so he may find himself playing major junior next season. At 6-foot-5 and 187 pounds, Nestrčil remains an intriguing prospect who could develop into a power forward once he adds more muscle to his lanky frame. He has good skill and improved at the USHL level as the season progressed. "I find he often gets less from his tools than he should," said one scout. "I find there are times when he does a lot of work with very little results."

Scouts agree there is potential, but the next couple of seasons will be crucial in determining whether he'll be able to make an impact at the NHL level. "I think he needs a better road map," said another scout. "He needs to be programmed a little differently to get more from his effort. The size, skill and skating are all there, and he's a big guy with lots of upside."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'22-23	Prague	U17	15	8	9	17	6
'23-24	Prague	U17	27	24	19	43	26
	Muskegon	USHL	11	0	0	0	4
	Czechia	WU17	7	4	1	5	0
'24-25	Muskegon	USHL	61	19	23	42	51

BEST CASE: Mason Marchment

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TOMAS POLETÍN

BORN April 30, 2007, Prague, Cze.
2024-25 Pelicans Jr. (Fin.)
POS LW **HT** 6-1 **WT** 200 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 14 (Int'l skaters)

➤ WHILE CZECH JUNIOR

hockey is experiencing a renaissance period right now, many of the nation's top talents are still playing their developmental years in foreign lands. For Poletín, that's meant Finland, where he has played the past two seasons in Lahti. "He's a smart player," said one scout. "He's strong on the puck, and he has good hockey sense. He might have to work on his skating a bit, but he's a good hockey player."

Poletín even got into 15 games with the Pelicans' pro team this year. He also suited up for all five playoff games and three of five relegation games. In the latter, Lahti avoided demotion to the Mestis by beating Jokerit. After that, he captained the Czechs at the U-18 worlds. "He's a hardworking, competitive guy," said another scout. "It's not a surprise he was the captain of the U-18 team. He leads by example. He's a good support player offensively, as he makes himself available in good spots and provides good puck support. He's really good on the forecheck, so he has some two-way value as well."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'22-23	Prague	U17	36	27	26	53	79
'23-24	Pelicans Jr.	Jr.	21	5	9	14	39
	Czechia	WU18	5	1	1	2	2
'24-25	Pelicans Jr.	Jr.	25	13	7	20	14
	Pelicans	Fin.	15	0	0	0	2

BEST CASE: Bobby McMann

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ZACHARY MORIN

BORN Jan. 25, 2007, Lachenaie, Que.
2024-25 Saint John (QMJHL)
POS LW **HT** 6-1 **WT** 181 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 103 (NA skaters)

➤ **THE SON OF** a former minor-league tough guy, Morin bounced around Quebec and the U.S. before landing with Saint John after leaving USHL Youngstown early in the season. He's set to join Boston University in 2026-27. And while there are glimpses of brilliance that indicate he could be a top-six NHLer, there are also red flags. "He just hasn't taken that next step," said one scout. "He has all the talent in the world, but he just hasn't taken it to the next level."

There is a lot of projection going on with Morin, whose post-draft development will be vital. He put up decent scoring totals considering he was playing for one of the worst teams in the QMJHL, but several scouts were less than impressed with his effort and body language at times. "I think he's above average in a couple of areas," said another scout. "He was better when he went to the Quebec League, but he didn't do a lot for me this season. His skating is good, and he has some skill, but I don't see any attribute that really stands out."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'22-23	Little Caesars	UI5	77	58	72	130	88
'23-24	Youngstown	USHL	54	8	11	19	114
	Canada Red	WUI7	7	0	1	1	4
'24-25	Youngstown	USHL	4	0	1	1	0
	Saint John	QMJHL	56	16	20	36	21

BEST CASE: Christian Dvorak

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COLE MCKINNEY

BORN March 16, 2007, Chicago, Ill.
2024-25 U.S. NTDP
POS C **HT** 6-0 **WT** 200 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 32 (NA skaters)

➤ **IF YOU HADN'T** guessed by now, it was not a banner year for the U.S. NTDP. But McKinney was one of the positives, leading 'The Program' in scoring, and he was the only player to average more than a point per game. "He was solid all year, just very consistent," said one scout. "He has a good work ethic, and he's a good two-way center. He had a good run production-wise and was probably one of their better guys."

McKinney was the best faceoff man for Team USA at the U-18 worlds, winning 60 percent of his draws, though some talent hawks believe his pro future will be on the wing. "He's a smart two-way guy who plays in spurts and shows flashes," said another scout. "He projects more as a winger at the NHL level. Plays a bit like Brett Howden. At times, he's sleepy, then he'll do something. He's strong, has soft hands and moves well, so there are a lot of good attributes."

McKinney is committed to NCAA Michigan, where the Wolverines staff can help him build upon those attributes.

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Chicago	UI4	20	9	22	31	6
'22-23	Chicago	UI5	15	12	21	33	16
'23-24	USA U17	NTDP	44	12	19	31	24
'24-25	USA U18	NTDP	51	24	31	55	55
	USA	WUI8	7	3	2	5	2

BEST CASE: Jake Evans

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KURBAN LIMATOV

BORN March 20, 2007, Moscow, Rus.
2024-25 Dynamo Moscow Jr. (Rus.)
POS D **HT** 6-3 **WT** 198 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 9 (Int'l skaters)

➤ **WITHOUT THE BENEFIT** of any in-person viewings by North American scouts, Limatov still managed to make a good impression with his compete level and ability to take care of business in his own end. He's seen as a stay-at-home D-man, but NHL teams are hoping that doesn't turn into a literal description.

If Limatov were playing in North America, he'd likely go higher in the draft. And while top Russian players Matvei Michkov and Ivan Demidov made teams pay for passing on them in the draft, the 'Russian factor' is still very real. "If he were in North America and I didn't have to worry about anything and our development guys could have him from Day 1, I'd feel a lot more comfortable," said one scout. "He competes pretty hard and skates well. He has some good size, and he seems willing to get into the fight."

Limatov is unlikely to produce much offense at the NHL level. "I really like this kid," said another scout. "I don't see him having any offensive impact, but there's something there."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'22-23	Dyn. Moscow	UI7	20	3	5	8	12
'23-24	Dyn. Moscow	UI7	8	0	6	6	2
	Dyn. Moscow Jr.		30	1	5	6	24
'24-25	Dyn. Moscow	Jr.	46	8	15	23	44
	Dyn. Moscow	KHL	1	0	0	0	0

BEST CASE: Justin Holl

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CHARLIE TRETHEWEY

BORN Aug. 2, 2007, Ellicott City, Md.
2024-25 U.S. NTDP
POS D **HT** 6-1 **WT** 200 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 46 (NA skaters)

➤ **LIKE MANY OF** his NTDP teammates, Trethewey came into the season ranked significantly higher than he will ultimately be drafted. He's a right-shot defenseman with good two-way instincts, but it would be fair to say his output was disappointing. "He's one of those guys who was bigger and stronger when he was younger, and now that everyone is big and strong, they've caught up," said one scout. "He's been highly touted for years, but I haven't seen him get a whole lot better. He hasn't taken that next step."

Scouts are struggling to identify what role Trethewey, who's committed to Boston University, will play at the NHL level. There is a good array of tools, but he has struggled to put it all together. As another scout said, "There's an identity crisis. He kind of has a tweener role for me. He can be physical. But will he embrace the defensive side of the game? The compete is there. But is it there enough? I think you're looking at a kid who is going to have to embrace a limited role."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Pittsburgh	UI4	13	5	5	10	16
'22-23	Little Caesars	UI5	81	20	66	86	46
'23-24	USA U17	NTDP	52	12	23	35	43
'24-25	USA U18	NTDP	54	6	13	19	33
	USA	WUI8	7	0	1	1	2

BEST CASE: Josh Manson

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KRISTIAN EPPERSON

BORN May 16, 2006, Mequon, Wis.
2024-25 Saginaw (OHL)
POS LW **HT** 5-11 **WT** 183 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 47 (NA skaters)

➤ **EPPERSON, WHO** went undrafted in 2024, came to the OHL from the U.S. NTDP, where he'd been buried down the depth chart. But with Saginaw, Epperson had a chance to shine playing wingman to superstar Michael Misa, and the offense flowed freely. "He's shown by playing with Misa that he can play with good players," said one scout. "He makes plays, shares the puck and has a good knack around the net. The offensive skills are good, and he's right up there at the top of plus-minus, so he has a good two-way game. He has good sense and a good compete level."

Epperson was also a strong penalty-killer for Saginaw, racking up three goals and six points shorthanded. Like many on the Spirit, his season ended on a down note with his performance in a five-game first-round playoff loss to lower-ranked Erie. "He played well in the games I saw, but my understanding is there was some inconsistency," said another scout. "He's a hardworking player who complements Misa well when they play together."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'20-21	Shattuck	U14	50	37	50	87	63
'21-22	Shattuck	U15	56	39	61	100	46
'22-23	USA U17	NTDP	59	18	23	41	40
'23-24	USA U18	NTDP	42	7	9	16	46
'24-25	Saginaw	OHL	58	27	53	80	87

BEST CASE: Luke Evangelista

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VIKTOR KLINGSSELL

BORN Feb. 10, 2007, Jarfalla, Swe.
2024-25 Skellefteå Jr. (Swe.)
POS LW **HT** 5-9 **WT** 188 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 19 (Int'l skaters)

➤ **SCOUTS WERE NOT** impressed with the numbers that Klingsell put up in the Swedish junior league this season, but he had a great showing at the U-18 worlds, with eight points in seven games en route to a silver medal. In what has become a case of wash-rinse-repeat in this draft, Klingsell is skilled but undersized. "His skill is good, and his hockey sense is very good," said one scout. "The sense and skill make up for the skating deficiencies, but when you throw in the fact that his compete level is, at best, average, there are some concerns there."

Klingsell does have good offensive instincts and has the ability to make some eye-popping plays at the junior level. As is the case with many players in this draft, scouts are hoping maturity will bring with it more consistency. As such, there will be a lot of projecting with him. "If you think he might be able to figure it out, and his skating gets a little better, his hockey sense and skills might be enough for a team to take a chance on him," said another scout.

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Jarfalla	U16	25	24	25	49	4
'22-23	Skellefteå	U18	32	8	8	16	4
'23-24	Skellefteå	U18	31	28	34	62	10
'24-25	Skellefteå Jr.	Jr.	43	17	22	39	6
	Sweden	WU18	7	2	6	8	4

BEST CASE: Max Domi

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SASCHA BOUMEDIENNE

BORN Jan. 17, 2007, Oulu, Fin.
2024-25 Boston University (HE)
POS D **HT** 6-1 **WT** 175 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 18 (NA skaters)

➤ **BOUMEDIENNE WAS** in tough as the second-youngest player in the NCAA this season. His stock dropped from first-round status as the year went on, but then he went to the U-18 worlds and put up a ton of points for the silver-medal-winning Swedish side. So, what's the deal? "He's a lightning rod because the tools are better than the toolbox," said one scout. "I thought his second half at BU was very good. Now, I know the points are there (at the U-18s), but he's incredibly careless at times. And it's not risk-taking; he'll just go to make an exit and miss the pass."

The son of former NHLer Josef Boumedienne had help at BU, often partnering with Canucks first-rounder Tom Willander, but he showed he could survive on his own when Willander was at the WJC. "He played good minutes and needed some work defensively, but overall, he handled himself well," said another scout. "The one thing is, what does he project as? Maybe a good transitional defenseman who moves the puck well? But that's a tough one."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Ohio	U16	54	3	15	18	-
'22-23	Ohio	U16	49	11	31	42	-
'23-24	Youngstown	USHL	49	3	24	27	32
'24-25	Boston Univ.	HE	40	3	10	13	33
	Sweden	WU18	7	1	13	14	2

BEST CASE: Mike Matheson

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THEODOR HALLQUISTH

BORN June 14, 2007, Taby, Swe.
2024-25 Orebro Jr. (Swe.)
POS D **HT** 6-2 **WT** 172 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 10 (Int'l skaters)

➤ **IT WAS A** pleasant surprise for scouts that Hallquist played 12 games for Orebro's pro team, which is a significant accomplishment for a 17-year-old blueliner. Hallquist projects as an all-around D-man once he fills out his frame. His physical game is his forte, but he's not just a banger. "I think his hockey sense is underrated," said one scout. "I don't think it will manifest into big numbers, but he moves the puck really well, and he's aware of his options."

There are no real discernible flaws in Hallquist's game, which seemed to improve exponentially as the year went on. His willingness to play a physical game helps him in net-front battles and in the corners. In fact, Hallquist seems to exude a sense of calm when defending. "He's one of those solid defensive guys who makes the game simple and plays hard and doesn't have the weaknesses of some of the other big, defense-first guys," said another scout. "On the other side of the puck, he executes pretty cleanly, and he's able to create some flow up the ice."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'22-23	Stocksund	U18	31	3	10	13	14
'23-24	Orebro	U18	38	5	24	29	18
'24-25	Orebro Jr.	Jr.	41	5	17	22	48
	Orebro	Swe.	12	0	0	0	0
	Sweden	WU18	7	0	1	1	6

BEST CASE: Olli Maatta

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ADAM BENAK

BORN April 10, 2007, Plzen, Cze.
2024-25 Youngstown (USHL)
POS C **HT** 5-7 **WT** 164 **SHOOTS** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 58 (NA skaters)

➤ **AS A USHL** rookie, Benak led Youngstown in scoring with 59 points. Then, despite joining the team late, he led the Czechs at the U-18 worlds with seven points. But, cynically, the most important number for him is 5-foot-7. "He's a dynamic, skilled playmaker with hockey sense, IQ and vision," said one scout. "All that good stuff, but he's 5-foot-7. He'll be a great college player, but those guys don't play center in the NHL, especially in the playoffs. He'll have to be like a Mats Zuccarello or Jason Zucker, but those guys play hard. Benak is more on the outside. But he's fun to watch."

Benak will have to move to the wing if he wants to make his NHL dreams come true, but there's no doubt the kid is prolific. Last summer, he finished second overall in scoring at the U-18 Hlinka Gretzky Cup, where his Czech team took home silver. "He's really smart, really instinctive, plays with a bit of an edge and works despite his size," said another scout. "What he did at the Hlinka has to have weight on his draft."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'22-23	Plzen	Jr.	30	10	21	31	8
'23-24	Plzen	Jr.	29	8	21	29	18
	Plzen	Cze.	18	0	2	2	18
'24-25	Youngstown	USHL	56	17	42	59	36
	Czechia	WU18	4	2	5	7	4

BEST CASE: Mats Zuccarello

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ALEKSEI MEDVEDEV

BORN Sept. 10, 2007, St. Petersburg, Rus.
2024-25 London (OHL)
POS G **HT** 6-2 **WT** 178 **CATCHES** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 6 (NA goalies)

➤ **AFTER COMING TO** Canada to play his final year of minor hockey in Toronto, Medvedev was drafted by the London Knights. And, rather than have him watch from the bench, the Knights had him play Jr. B last season. The result was a much more OHL-ready goalie in 2024-25, when Medvedev won awards for the best goals-against average for a rookie goalie and shared the trophy for the league's best team GAA. With Knights' No. 1 Austin Elliot aging out after this season, Medvedev will have the starter's crease to himself in London next year.

Medvedev is technically sound, and his athleticism allows him to get to pucks that look like certain goals. He's also an above-average puckhandler. "He had a pretty good season, even though he played behind a guy who plays a lot," said one scout. "His time has been more limited than it normally would for a goalie of his caliber. He competes. He has size. He controls his rebounds. And he never gives up on a puck. It looks like he'll continue to get better."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	W-L-T	GAA	SP
'22-23	Vaughan	U16	19-19-0	1.92	.915
'23-24	St. Thomas	Jr. B	11-15-0	4.00	.904
'24-25	London	OHL	22-8-2	2.79	.912

BEST CASE: Stuart Skinner

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PEYTON KETTLES

BORN Sept. 1, 2007, Winnipeg, Man.
2024-25 Swift Current (WHL)
POS D **HT** 6-5 **WT** 190 **SHOOTS** R
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 39 (NA skaters)

➤ **AS ONE SCOUT** said, it's pretty difficult to miss out on being drafted when you're a 6-foot-5 D-man who shoots right and skates well. There's just too much to like about those guys to pass them up. Projecting what they can become is a challenge, but teams are counting on the finished product being worth the gamble. That's the case with Kettles, who played a lot of minutes for a mediocre WHL team and is a long way from realizing his potential.

"He's an excellent skater, and he plays hard," said one scout. "I really want to like him, but that would force me to forget about a lot of the games I watched him play this season. His skill is just OK, and his hockey sense is average. He's one of those bigger guys who can skate who might have a little trouble getting there, but there's definitely a chance he can be a fifth or sixth D-man." Other scouts see more of a sure thing. "The size really jumps out, and he moves pretty well," said another scout. "He's the kind of defenseman teams are looking for, and he has some upside."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	GP	G	A	PT	PIM
'21-22	Rink Academy	U15	30	9	26	35	40
'22-23	Rink Academy	U18	22	2	14	16	20
'23-24	Swift Current	WHL	61	2	11	13	44
	Canada Red	WU17	7	0	1	1	0
'24-25	Swift Current	WHL	53	5	9	14	65

BEST CASE: Mattias Samuelsson

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PYOTR ANDREYANOV

BORN Jan. 22, 2007, Volsk, Rus.
2024-25 K.A. Moscow Jr. (Rus.)
POS G **HT** 6-0 **WT** 207 **CATCHES** L
CENTRAL SCOUTING No. 1 (Int'l goalies)

➤ **AS IS THE** case with almost every Russian prospect, scouts acknowledge that more people would be talking about Andreyanov if he were playing in North America. But Russian stoppers have had plenty of NHL success lately, and the fact they are surrounded by mystery makes them even more intriguing. "I like him, and I get a good feel when I look at this kid," said one scout. "He's a wide-bodied kid. I don't know if he's fat or just wide-bodied, but the way he moves, I'd be shocked to find out he's fat."

Andreyanov plays with a sense of calmness and composure, but there are times when he struggles to control rebounds. He can also have a tough time when he is facing a lot of traffic, and his aggressive style will likely need to be tamed a little. Even though the video viewings have been limited, scouts are still interested. "I like his game," said another scout. "He reads the game well, and he makes the simple play when he can. I don't see any glaring weaknesses there."

YR	TEAM	LEA.	W-L-T	GAA	SP
'22-23	CSKA Moscow	U16	n/a	2.05	n/a
	CSKA Moscow	U18	n/a	1.63	n/a
'23-24	CSKA Moscow	U17	n/a	2.12	n/a
	K.A. Moscow	Jr.	9-8-0	3.04	.916
'24-25	K.A. Moscow	Jr.	23-6-6	1.75	.942

BEST CASE: Lukas Dostal

CBJ NHL DRAFT HISTORY

2024 DRAFT

June 28-29, Las Vegas, Nevada (The Sphere)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Cayden Lindstrom	C	1	4	Medicine Hat (WHL)
Charlie Elick	D	2	36	Brandon (WHL)
Evan Gardner	G	2	60*	Saskatoon (WHL)
Luca Marrelli	D	3	86@	Oshawa (OHL)
Tanner Henricks	D	4	101	Lincoln (USHL)
Luke Ashton	D	6	165	Langley (BCHL)

* Acquired from CAR @ Acquired from LAK

2023 DRAFT

June 28-29, Nashville, Tennessee (Bridgestone Arena)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Adam Fantilli	C	1	3	Michigan (Big Ten)
Gavin Brindley	C	2	34	Michigan (Big Ten)
William Whitelaw	R	3	66	Youngstown (USHL)
Andrew Strathmann	D	4	98	Youngstown (USHL)
Luca Pinelli	C	4	114*	Ottawa (OHL)
Melvin Strahl	G	5	156@	MoDo (J20 Nationell)
Oiva Keskinen	C	7	194	Tappara (U20 SM-sarja)
Tyler Peddle	L	7	224^	Drummondville (QMJHL)

* Acquired from WPG @ Acquired from BOS ^ Acquired from VGK

2022 DRAFT

July 7-8, Montreal, Quebec (Bell Centre)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
David Jiricek	D	1	6*	Plzen HC (Czech)
Denton Mateychuk	D	1	12	Moose Jaw (WHL)
Luca Del Bel Belluz	C	2	44	Mississauga (OHL)
Jordan Dumais	R	3	96@	Halifax (QMJHL)
Kirill Dolzhenkov	R	4	109	Krasnaya (RUS-MHL)
Sergei Ivanov	G	5	138^	SKA (RUS Jrs.)
James Fisher	R	7	203#	Belmont (Mass. H.S.)

* Acquired from CHI @ Acquired from TBL ^ Acquired from BUF
Acquired from ANA

2021 DRAFT

July 23-24, Virtual Draft

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Kent Johnson	C	1	5	Michigan (Big Ten)
Cole Sillinger	C	1	12*	Sioux Falls (USHL)
Corson Ceulemans	D	1	25@	Brooks (AJHL)
Stanislav Svozil	D	3	69	Brno Kometa (Czech)
Guillaume Richard	D	4	101	Tri-City (USHL)
Nikolai Makarov	D	5	132^	CSKA (Russia Jr.)
James Malatesta	L	5	133	Quebec (QMJHL)
Ben Boyd	R	6	165	Charlottetown (QMJHL)
Martin Rysavy	L	7	197	Prerov (Czech Rep.)

* Acquired from CHI @ Acquired from TOR ^ Acquired from NJD

2020 DRAFT

Oct. 9-10, Virtual Draft

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Yegor Chinakhov	RW	1	21	Omsk Jr (Russia Jr.)
Samuel Knazko	D	3	78*	TPS Jr. (Finland Jr.)
Mikael Pyhtia	F	4	114	TPS Jr. (Finland Jr.)
Ole Julian Bjorgvik-Holm	D	5	145	Mississauga (OHL)
Samuel Johansson	D	6	176	Rogle BK (SHL)

* Acquired from MTL

2019 DRAFT

June 21-22, Vancouver, British Columbia (Rogers Arena)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Eric Hjorth	D	4	104*	Linkoping Jr (SuperElit)
Dmitry Voronkov	F	4	114*	Kazan (Russia Jr.)
Tyler Angle	C	7	212	Windsor (OHL)

* Acquired from FLA

2018 DRAFT

June 22-23, Dallas, Texas (American Airlines Center)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Liam Foudy	C	1	18	London (OHL)
Kirill Marchenko	RW	2	49	Khanty-Mansiysk (Russia Jr.)
Marcus Karlberg	LW	3	80	Leksand (SuperElit)
Tim Berni	D	6	159*	Zurich (NLA)
Veini Vehvilainen	G	6	173	Karpat (SHL)
Trey Fix-Wolansky	RW	7	204	Edmonton (WHL)

* Acquired from DET

2017 DRAFT

June 23-24, Chicago, Illinois (United Center)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Alexandre Texier	C	2	45*	Grenoble (France)
Daniil Tarasov	G	3	86	Ufa (Russia Jr.)
Emil Bemstrom	C	4	117	Leksand (SuperElit)
Kale Howarth	LW	5	148	Trail (BCHL)
Jonathan Davidsson	RW	6	170@	Djurgardens IF (SHL)
Carson Meyer	RW	6	179	Miami-Ohio (NCHC)
Robbie Stucker	D	7	210	St. Thomas (MN-HS)

* Acquired from TBL via VGK @ Acquired from NYI via CHI

2016 DRAFT

June 24-25, Buffalo, New York (First Niagara Center)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Pierre Luc-Dubois	LW/C	1	3	Cape Breton (QMJHL)
Andrew Peeke	D	2	34	Green Bay (USHL)
Vitaly Abramov	RW	3	65	Gatineau (QMJHL)
Peter Thome	G	6	155	Aberdeen (NAHL)
Calvin Thurkauf	C	7	185	Kelowna (WHL)

2015 DRAFT

June 26-27, Sunrise, Florida (BB&T Center)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Zach Werenski	D	1	8	Michigan (Big Ten)
Gabriel Carlsson	D	1	29*	Linkoping Jr. (SuperElit)
Paul Bittner	LW	2	38	Portland (WHL)
Kevin Stenlund	C	2	58@	HV71 Jr. (SuperElit)
Keegan Kolesar	RW	3	69	Seattle (WHL)
Sam Ruopp	D	5	129	Prince George (WHL)
Veeti Vainio	D	5	141^	Blues Jr. (Finland Jr.)
Vladislav Gavrikov	D	6	159	Yaroslavl (KHL)
Markus Nutivaara	D	7	189	Karpat (Finland)

* Acquired from TOR @ Acquired from ANA ^ Acquired from MIN

CBJ NHL DRAFT HISTORY

2014 DRAFT

June 27-28, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (Wells Fargo Center)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Sonny Milano	LW	1	16	USNDP (USHL)
Ryan Collins	D	2	47	USNDP (USHL)
Elvis Merzlikins	G	3	76*	Lugano (Swiss-1)
Blake Siebenaler	D	3	77	Niagara (OHL)
Julien Pelletier	LW	4	107	Cape Breton (QMJHL)
Tyler Bird	RW	5	137	Kimball Union (NH-HS)
Olivier LeBlanc	D	7	197	Saint John (QMJHL)

* Acquired from DET

2013 DRAFT

June 30, Newark, New Jersey (Prudential Center)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Alexander Wennberg	C	1	14	Djurgarden (SWE-1)
Kerby Rychel	LW	1	19*	Windsor (OHL)
Marko Dano	C	1	27@	Bratislava (KHL)
Dillon Heatherington	D	2	50^	Swift Current (WHL)
Oliver Bjorkstrand	RW	3	89^	Portland (WHL)
Nick Moutrey	C	4	105	Saginaw (OHL)
Marcus Soberg	LW	6	165	Frolunda (SWE Jr.)
Peter Quenneville	C	7	195	Dubuque (USHL)

* Acquired from NYR @ Acquired from LAK ^ Acquired from PIT

2012 DRAFT

June 22-23, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (CONSOL Energy Center)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Ryan Murray	D	1	2	Everett (WHL)
Oscar Dansk	G	2	31	Brynäs Jr. (SuperElit)
Joonas Korpiälö	G	3	62	Jokerit Jr. (Finland Jr.)
Josh Anderson	LW	4	95*	London (OHL)
Daniel Zaar	RW	6	152	Rogle Jr. (Sweden Jr.)
Gianluca Curcuruto	D	7	182	Sault Ste. Marie (OHL)

* Acquired from VAN

2011 DRAFT

June 24-25, St. Paul, Minnesota (Xcel Energy Center)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Boone Jenner	C	2	37	Oshawa (OHL)
T.J. Tynan	C	3	66*	Notre Dame (CCHA)
Mike Reilly	D	4	98	St. Mary's (MN-HS)
Seth Ambroz	RW	5	128	Omaha (USHL)
Lukas Sedlak	C	6	158	Ceske (Czech U-20)
Anton Forsberg	G	7	188	MODO Jr. (SuperElit)

* Acquired from OTT

2010 DRAFT

June 25-26, Los Angeles, California (STAPLES Center)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Ryan Johansen	C	1	4	Portland (WHL)
Dalton Smith	LW	2	34	Ottawa (OHL)
Petr Straka	RW	2	55*	Rimouski (QMJHL)
Brandon Archibald	D	4	94	Sault Ste. Marie (OHL)
Mathieu Corbeil	G	4	102@	Halifax (QMJHL)
Austin Madaisky	D	5	124	Kamloops (WHL)
Dalton Prout	D	6	154	Barrie (OHL)
Martin Ouellette	G	7	184	Kimball Union (NH-HS)

* Acquired from BUF @ Acquired from ANA

2009 DRAFT

June 26-27, Montreal, Quebec (Bell Centre)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
John Moore	D	1	21*	Chicago (USHL)
Kevin Lynch	C	2	56@	USA U-18 (USDP)
David Savard	D	4	94#	Moncton (QMJHL)
Thomas Larkin	D	5	137	Exeter (NH-HS)
Anton Blomqvist	D	6	167	Malmö Jr. (Sweden Jr.)
Kyle Neuber	RW	7	197	Mississauga (OHL)

* Acquired from ANA @ Acquired from NYI # Acquired from COL

2008 DRAFT

June 20-21, Ottawa, Ontario (Scotiabank Place)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Nikita Filatov	LW	1	6	CSKA (RUS)
Cody Goloubef	D	2	37	Wisconsin (WCHA)
Steven Delisle	D	4	107*	Gatineau (QMJHL)
Drew Olson	D	4	118@	Brainerd (MN-HS)
Matt Calvert	LW	5	127	Brandon (WHL)
Tomas Kubalik	C/RW	5	135#	Plzen (CZE)
Brent Regner	D	5	137*	Vancouver (WHL)
Cam Atkinson	RW	6	157	Avon Old Farms (CT-HS)
Sean Collins	LW	7	187	Waywayseecappo (MJHL)

* Acquired from BOS @ Acquired from PHI # Acquired from CAR

2007 DRAFT

June 22-23, Columbus, Ohio (Nationwide Arena)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Jakub Voracek	RW	1	7	Halifax (QMJHL)
Stefan Legein	RW	2	37	Niagara (OHL)
Will Weber	D	2	53*	Gaylord (MI-HS)
Jake Hansen	RW/LW	3	68	Sioux Falls (USHL)
Maksim Mayorov	RW/LW	4	94@	Leninogorsk (Russia)
Allen York	G	6	158	Camrose (AJHL)
Trent Vogelhuber	RW	7	211#	St. Louis (NAHL)

* Acquired from SJS @ Acquired from DAL # Acquired from ANA (conditional)

2006 DRAFT

June 24, Vancouver, British Columbia (General Motors Place)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Derick Brassard	C	1	6	Drummondville (QMJHL)
Steve Mason	G	3	69	London (OHL)
Tom Sestito	LW	3	85	Plymouth (OHL)
Ben Wright	D	4	113*	Lethbridge (WHL)
Robert Nyholm	D	5	129	IFK Jr. (Finland)
Nick Sucharski	LW	5	136@	Michigan State (CCHA)
Maxime Frechette	D	5	142#	Drummondville (QMJHL)
Jesse Dudas	D	6	159	Prince George (WHL)
Derek Dorsett	RW	7	189	Medicine Hat (WHL)
Matt Marquardt	LW	7	194^	Moncton (QMJHL)

* Acquired from SJS @ Acquired from LAK # Acquired from ANA

^ Acquired from TOR

CBJ NHL DRAFT HISTORY

2005 DRAFT

June 30, Ottawa, Ontario (Westin Hotel)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Gilbert Brule	C	1	6	Vancouver (WHL)
Adam McQuaid	D	2	55	Sudbury (OHL)
Kris Russell	D	3	67	Medicine Hat (WHL)
Jared Boll	RW	4	101*	Lincoln (USHL)
Tomas Popperle	G	5	131	Sparta (Czech)
Derek Reinhart	D	6	177+	Regina (WHL)
Kirill Starkov	C	6	189	Frolunda Jr. (Sweden)
Trevor Hendrikx	D	7	201	Peterborough (OHL)

* Acquired from CAR + Acquired from PHX

2004 DRAFT

June 26-27, Raleigh, North Carolina (RBC Center)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Alexandre Picard	LW	1	8*	Lewiston (QMJHL)
Adam Pineault	RW	2	46+	Boston College (HEA)
Kyle Wharton	D	2	59*	Ottawa (OHL)
Dan LaCosta	G	3	93#	Owen Sound (OHL)
Andrey Plekhanov	D	3	96	Nizhnekamsk 2 (Russia)
Petr Pohl	RW	5	133	Gatineau (QMJHL)
Rob Page	D	6	167	Blake School (MN-HS)
Lennart Petrell	C	6	190@	IFK Jr. (Finland)
Justin Vienneau	D	7	198	Shawinigan (WMJHL)
Brian McGuirk	LW	8	231	Gov. Drummer Aca. (MA-HS)
Matt Greer	LW	8	233-	White Bear Lake (MN-HS)
Grant Clitsome	D	9	271^	Nepean (CJHL)

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Acquired from VAN - Acquired from NYR ^ Acquired from LAK

2003 DRAFT

June 21-22, Nashville, Tennessee (Gaylord Entertainment Center)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Nikolai Zherdev	RW	1	4	CSKA (Russia)
Dan Fritsche	C	2	46*	Sarnia (OHL)
Dmitry Kosmachov	D	3	71	CSKA (Russia)
Kevin Jarman	LW	4	103#	Stouffville (Ont. Jr. A)
Philippe Dupuis	C	4	104	Hull (QMJHL)
Arsi Piispanen	RW	5	138+	Jokerit (Finland)
Marc Methot	D	6	168+	London (OHL)
Alexander Guskov	D	7	200	Yaroslavl (Russia)
Mathieu Gravel	LW	8	233	Shawinigan (QMJHL)
Trevor Hendrikx	D	9	283^	Peterborough (OHL)

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^ Acquired from LAK

2002 DRAFT

June 22-23, Toronto, Ontario (Air Canada Centre)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Rick Nash	LW	1	1*	London (OHL)
Joakim Lindstrom	LW/RW	2	41#	MODO (Sweden)
Ole-Kristian Tollefsen	D	3	65	Lillehammer (Norway)
Jeff Genovoy	LW	3	96#	Des Moines (USHL)
Ivan Tkachenko	LW	4	98	Yaroslavl (Russia)
Jekabs Redlihs	D	4	119+	Apple Core, N.Y. (EJHL)
Lasse Pirjeta	LW/C	5	133	Karpat (Finland)
Tim Konsorada	RW	6	168	Brandon (WHL)
Jaroslav Balastik	RW	6	184^	Zlin (Czech)
Greg Mauldin	C	7	199	UMass-Amherst (HEA)
Steven Goertzen	RW	7	225^	Seattle (WHL)
Jaroslav Kracik	RW	8	231	Pizen Jr. (Czech)
Sergei Mozyakin	LW	9	263*	CSKA (Russia)

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^ Acquired from PHI

2001 DRAFT

June 23-24, Sunrise, Florida (National Car Rental Center)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Pascal Leclaire	G	1	8	Montreal (QMJHL)
Tim Jackman	RW	2	38	Minn-Mankato (WCHA)
Kiel McLeod	C	2	53*	Kelowna (WHL)
Aaron Johnson	D	3	85*	Rimouski (QMJHL)
Per Mars	C	3	87#	Brynäs (Sweden)
Cole Jarrett	D	5	141	Plymouth (OHL)
Justin Aikins	C	6	173	Langley (BCJHL)
Artem Vostrikov	C	6	187+	Togliatti (Russia Jr.)
Raffaele Sannitz	C	7	204	Lugano (Switz.)
Ryan Bowness	RW	8	236	Brampton (OHL)
Andrew Murray	C	8	242	Selkirk (MJHL)

* Acquired from SJS via MTL # Acquired from BUF + Acquired from PIT

2000 DRAFT

June 24-25, Calgary, Alberta (Saddledome)

Player	Position	Round	Overall	Team
Rostislav Klesla	D	1	4	Brampton (OHL)
Ben Knopp	RW	3	69	Moose Jaw (WHL)
Petteri Nummelin	D	5	133	HC Davos (Switz.)
Scott Heffernan	D	5	138*	Sarnia (OHL)
Tyler Kolarik	C	5	150	Deerfield Academy (MA-HS)
Shane Bendera	G	6	169	Red Deer (WHL)
Janne Jokila	LW	7	200	TPS (Finland)
Peter Zingoni	C	8	231	New England (EJHL)
Martin Paroulek	LW	9	278#	Vsetin HC (Czech)
Andrej Nedorost	C	9	286+	ESC Essen (Germany)
Louis Mandeville	D	9	292^	Rouyn-Noranda (QMJHL)

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^ Acquired from DET



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