##### PAVEL MINTYUKOV

Team: Ottawa 67’s

League: OHL

Position: Left Defenceman

Born: **25 NOV 2003**

Height: **6.3ft or 190.5cm**

Weight: **195 lbs or 88.4kg**

# Report Card – Excellent: 4.6-5, Good: 4.5-4, Average:3-3.9, Below Average: 2, Poor: 1

#### Size/Strength Excellent: 4.7

##### Skating Excellent: 4.6

**Shot/Scoring Good: 4.4**

**Puckhandling Excellent: 4.8**

##### Physical Play Good: 4.4

**Offensive Play Excellent: 5**

#### Defensive Play Good: 4.3

**Hockey Sense Excellent: 4.7**

**Competitiveness Good: 4.4**

**Strengths**

**1. Extreme Pinpoint passing.**

**2. Strong Offensive Awareness**

**3. Unique forward like Puck handling**

**Area’s For Improvement**

**1. Shot Blocking. I’d like to see him sacrifice the body more to complete that two-way game.**

**2. I’d like to see him take less risks and get a better result of all the rushes he creates yet, not too much of a concern.**

**3. Be a little deeper in the defensive end. A little too high up on defense and gets caught.**

**Skill:**

A super strong puck handling offensive defenseman, who is very agile at his size of being 6’3, is highly aware in the Offensive zone and has a quick and intelligent shot meaning whatever shot he uses always affected the goaltender. He is very quick on his edges who happens to be an elite playmaker whether it is creating long breakout passes or if he creates many give and goes. The way that he stickhandles can create many confusions for the defenseman considering his hands are much more different than normal offensive defensemen.

**Scouting Report:**

Overall, Pavel is an elite offense defenseman who is excellent at creating offensive rushes. His overall style of game is similar to Roman Josi of the Nashville Predators due to their rush creating skills and elite breakout passing. His hands however are not like Josi due to the way Pavel handles the puck and reminds me of a prime era of Jason Spezza considering they both manipulate their hands the same way considerably. His overall development defensively from his previous season to this one has been a plus; however he still needs to understand some distancing between himself and the puck carrier. His slapshot is very powerful but he does not use it a lot which is important because he is intelligent at what his shot choice is. When it comes to his wrist shots, he is very accurate from far out which one way or another, he majority of the time hits the net and is pinpoint when he shoots through screens.

**NHL Potential:**

Top 2 Defenseman who has major offensive upside, can play on the 1st PP unit but is also reliable on the PK

**Style compares to: Overall Roman Josi but Puck Handling is comparable to Jason Spezza**

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| **Year** | **Team** | **GP** | **G** | **A** | **PTS** | **PIM** | **+/-** |
| 21/22 | Saginaw Spirit | 67 | 17 | 45 | 62 | 28 | -14 |
| 22/23 | Spirit/67’s | 55 | 20 | 50 | 70 | 24 | 31 |
| **Projection** | **Spirit/67’s** | **67** | **25** | **61** | **87** | **30** | **39** |