# CTOP PROSPECTS DON REYNOLDS PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL GROUP PLAYER EVALUATION



**Player's Name** 

**Brenden Thompson** 

**Player's Number** 

2

Weight

130

**Team** 

Michigan Gorillas

**Position** 

SS

Height

5'6"

**Bats** 

Right

**Throws** 

Right

Evaluation Date Sunday, June 27, 2021

# **ATHLETIC SKILLS**

### **Feet**

5 - Above Average

# **Comments**

Feet move easily both ways and back. Light, easy actions.

### Hands

5 - Above Average

# **Comments**

Receives GBs cleanly without much unnecessary movements. No flash or wasted movements. Showed quick, clean ball transfers from glove to throwing hand.

# Reactions

5 - Above Average

### **Comments**

Quick, balanced actions in all directions.

# **Body Control**

5 - Above Average

### **Comments**

Was balanced in all fielding attempts. Made a couple of impressive relays delivering ball with quick hands but without wasted movements with feet.

# Strength

3 - Average

### **Comments**

Just fair raw strength for age/size now. But I like his chances to end up what is often referred to as a "wiry strong" body.

# **Physical Development**

3 - Average

### **Comments**

Lots of maturity to come in future. Is not showing early maturity but frame is promising and athletic looking.

# **BASEBALL SKILLS**

# **Fielding**

5 - Above Average

### **Comments**

Clean hands receiving GBs. Ranges athletically both ways and back. Feet work easily. Body stays under control. Very impressive athleticism for age.

### Range

5 - Above Average

# **Comments**

Quickness both ways and going back. Keeps body under control while accelerating.

# Running

5 - Above Average

### **Comments**

Accelerates to top speed quickly. Very little effort in running stride. Also like the way he runs bases with head up and awareness of ball location.

### **Arm Strength**

5 - Above Average

### **Comments**

Arm shows carry, accuracy, and ease from SS. No problem making all but the very longest throws, which will undoubtedly come soon.

# **Arm Accuracy**

5 - Above Average

### **Comments**

Touch on throws across diamond. Proper rotation for carry without needing crow-hops.

# **Hitting Ability**

4 - Slightly Above Average

### **Comments**

Line drive stroke. Decent directness in swing. But needs more hand/forearm strength to drive barrel with authority and not loop bat vs higher strikes. That should come with age/maturity.

### **Power Potential**

2 - Slightly Below Average

### **Comments**

Game power likely won't be part of player's repertoire with his bat. Length and leverage likely bit short. Likely will be #1-#2 hitter in lineup with line drive/gap type power.

# PLAYER SUMMARY

Excellent athletic build on a compact frame that has lots of maturity still to come. Defense ahead of offense right now. Sound, athletic fielder. Will stay in middle of field for a long time. Bat needs a bit more patience. Like contact ability now. No doubt he'll develop into a top of order line drive type guy. Bat may be a year or so further down the road than presence of defense.