

Kyle Flipowski vs Miami 2/21/24 – In-Person

Seeing him in-person his arms don't look very long. He moves up and down the court smoothly. He isn't an athletic big who can jump and dunk over opposing bigs but doesn't look clumsy or stiff at all. He communicates with his teammates and has an angry side of him once opposing teams get physical with him.

He showcases the ability to shoot the ball on the catch twice in the game. He made one 3 running in transition and another after from the top of the key. He likes to do a spin move to his left side when attacking the rim. He did a spin layup when getting a double which led to a reverse dunk and another spin layup when their big was defending him to get an easy layup. He can score over smaller defenders when inside the paint, but misses layups when receiving contact. He was able to find open teammates coming off-screen, cutting to the rim, and making the open pass after slipping toward the rim. He had a versatile offensive performance against Miami.

Example: Player X showcased an ability to create his shot off the dribble, finishing in and around the lane well. A play that stood out to me, with 2:38 left in the first half, Player X caught the ball on a swing to the L wing, he jab-stepped R to get his defender off balance, and as the defender recovered, he used a pump-fake to get him in the air. He then drove the L baseline and used a pro hop to allude to the help-side defender, getting to the front of the rim where he finished strong with contact with the R hand.

He did a good job staying out of foul trouble and keeping his hand up on defense when protecting the rim. The big one on the opposing team struggles to score in the paint against him throughout the entire game. Wasn't easily back down and didn't fall for any shot fakes. He ended the game with 3 blk which was all on a big. He moves his feet well defending the pick and roll and finding a way back under the rim to grab a rebound or to contest a shot at the rim. He did get scored on when defending the perimeter when Poplar made a step-back 3 over him.

Overall, he had a solid performance on both ends of the floor. He displays an in-and-out performance scoring from the three and at the rim. He shows the ability to make the right reads and to find his open teammates. On defense, he stood his ground and protected the rim against one of the ACC's best centers. He uses his size and length to protect the rim without falling for any shot fakes and uses his mobility to move left and right making it hard for the opposing team to score inside in P&R action.