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# Aurora Spartans

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## TEAM STRENGTHS

1. Play making guards looking to attack the rim
2. Great at drawing fouls/getting to FT line
3. Press capable of turning teams over

SOMETHING WENT WRONG WITH THIS TILE

## Overall Defensive Scheme

- M2M
- Most help comes from their big man at the rim
- Off ball screens: Open up & go under
  - Switch any good screen 1-4.
- Full court M2M press on makes or dead balls.
  - Hard deny on inbound. Run & Jump when available.
- Post D-Play behind post with no/limited help

## Ball Screen & DHO Defense

- Ball screens: Drop Coverage, guards goes under screener
  - Switch most ball screens 1-4
- Vs DHO: Open up & go under

## Speciality Defensive Notes

- M2M Run & Jump Press (Press 44% of possessions)

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## Overall OFFENSIVE SCHEME

- Aggressive in Transition!!!
- Quick set plays followed by Dribble Drive Offense (Attack & kick)
  - Create big gaps
  - Look for shooters in the corners on drives
  - Multiple guards seek contact on finishes
  - Will also look for #22 in the post to finish possessions
  - Attack middle in Dribble Drive

## Ball Screen Actions & Personnel

- High Flat ball screen
- Empty ball screen

## ELOB & SLOB

- Box Sets-Looking for #22 in post Iso

## KEYS TO VICTORY

1. **GUARD YOUR YARD (+ Early Gap Help)**
2. **WALL UP, DON'T FOUL**
3. **ATTACK THE PAINT!!!**

## OFFENSIVE GAME PLAN

## Attacking their man defense

- Physical screens (Find bodies & force switches)
- **RHINOS - SWIRLS - SLIPS - CHEETAHS - SNAPS**
  - Rhinos & Slips vs Switches
- Play off 2 Feet in Paint
  - Dump offs to the Big available
- Stay out of corners vs Run & Jump Press
  - Keep ball in middle 1/3 of court
  - Allow off ball defenders to clear out before attacking
- WIN FT BATTLE!!

## Ball Screen Actions & Reads

- Attack the Big vs Drop Coverage
- Screen & rescreens available vs DHO's

## Potential Adjustments

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## DEFENSIVE GAME PLAN

## Defending Their Action

- **SPRINT BACK!!!**
- Communicate Early, Loud, & Often!
  - Early screen calls on initial set play
- Anticipate drive & kick after set play
  - On the ball: Contain & Guard your Yard
  - Off the ball: Early gaps, be ready to rotate
- Don't Foul!
  - Wall up with high hands on finishes
  - Prevent drives to the paint=less foul opportunities
- ONE & DONE!!!

## Ball Screen Coverage(s)

- 14X-FH
  - **Talk switches 1-4 early!**
  - High/Early Tags
- "Flat" Force handler LH. No rejects

## Potential Adjustments

- 13X
- "12" (1-2-2 Press)



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#11 • Mekhi Doby • G • 6'3" • • JR

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FTM-A	FT%	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	2-1	17.5	31.7	11-25	44.0%	0-4	0.0%	13-23	56.5%	4	3.5	4.0	2.5	1.5	2.0
24-25 (D-III)	26-26	11.5	27.6	107-245	43.7%	11-41	26.8%	73-113	64.6%	23	3.0	2.8	2.8	1.3	0.6

**Player Notes:**

- Heavy RHD
- Pull up jumpers when he goes LH.
- L to R crossover before drives.

**Keys to Defending**

- Anticipate Crossover + RHD
- Wall up on finishes/no fouls!



#13 • Zerrick Johnson • G • 6'2" • • FR

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FT%	FTM-A	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	5-4	10.8	21.7	16-33	48.5%	2-5	40.0%	90.9%	20-22	1	3.4	3	10	3	0

**Player Notes:**

- Driver/shooter
- Prefers RHD
- Seeks contact on drives/finishes

**Keys to Defending**

- No fouls!
- Anticipate RHD



#3 • Jeffery Hillmer • G • 6'4" • • JR

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FT%	FTM-A	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	5-5	6.6	30.7	14-33	42.4%	3-6	50.0%	66.7%	2-3	11	4.6	6	4	4	3
24-25 (D-III)	25-17	5.8	22.5	63-114	55.3%	2-7	28.6%	42.5%	17-40	50	4.2	40	22	20	6

**Player Notes:**

- Driver First
- Capable of finishing with either hand
- Crashes HARD!

**Keys to Defending**

- Box Out!!!
- Anticipate the drive on perimeter catch
- Heavy help off the ball



#2 • Juan Madrigal • G • 6'4" • • JR

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FT%	FTM-A	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	5-5	12.6	29.7	20-46	43.5%	8-19	42.1%	78.9%	15-19	6	4.2	9	12	5	2

**Player Notes:**

- Shooter/Driver
- Main 3 pt threat
- Seeks contact when he shoots

**Keys to Defending**

- High Early hand on closeouts!
- Stay down/don't foul



#22 • Devon Richardson • C • 6'8" • • JR

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FT%	FTM-A	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	5-5	13.0	25.4	25-39	64.1%	0-0	-	53.6%	15-28	14	6.6	2	5	2	6

**Player Notes:**

- Prefers LS/RH, capable with RS/LH
- Non-shooter
- Crashes boards hard

**Keys to Defending**

- Box out!!!
- Extend Catches & Limit post touches
- Be a Helper!!



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#24 • Gevon Grant • G • 6'0" • • JR

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25-26 (D-III)	5-1	8.6	20.2	12-31	38.7%	3-13	23.1%	57.1%	16-28	3	3.0	8	9	6	0
24-25 (D-III)	2-0	2.5	12.6	2-4	50.0%	1-3	33.3%	-	0-0	1	1.0	1	3	1	0

**Player Notes:**

- RHD/Shooter (PG)
- Really aggressive getting to rim
- Main scoring threat off the bench

**Keys to Defending**

- Stop initial push in transition
- Anticipate quick 1st step
- Early Gap Help



#5 • Larry Carthan • F • 6'7" • • JR

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FT%	FTM-A	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	5-0	3.6	12.9	5-13	38.5%	0-0	-	66.7%	8-12	7	3.8	2	5	1	5

**Player Notes:**

- Back up 5 man
- Prefers LS/RH inside

**Keys to Defending:**

- NLS
- Be a Helper!!
- Box Out



#12 • Robert Hutson • G • 6'3" • • SO

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FT%	FTM-A	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	5-0	3.6	11.7	7-23	30.4%	1-9	11.1%	75.0%	3-4	5	1.2	0	3	0	1

**Player Notes:**

- Capable shooter & driver
- Will attack either way buy finishes LH

**Keys to Defending:**

- Anticipate LHD



#1 • Bryden Gryzmala • G • 5'11" • • FR

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FT%	FTM-A	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	5-3	4.4	14.9	7-15	46.7%	2-6	33.3%	100.0%	6-6	0	1.0	5	5	2	0

**Player Notes:**

- PG
- Facilitator
- Looks for pull ups/mid range when going left

**Keys to Defending**

- Anticipate pull ups on LHD
- Stay down on pump fakes



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## 2025-26 BOXSCORE

#	PLAYER	GP-GS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FTM-A	FT%	ORB	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	▼
11	Mekhi Doby	2-1	31.7	11-25	44.0%	0-4	0.0%	13-23	56.5%	2.0	3.5	8	5	4	3	17.5	
22	Devon Richardson	5-5	25.4	25-39	64.1%	0-0	-	15-28	53.6%	2.8	6.6	2	5	6	2	13.0	
2	Juan Madrigal	5-5	29.7	20-46	43.5%	8-19	42.1%	15-19	78.9%	1.2	4.2	9	12	2	5	12.6	
13	Zerrick Johnson	5-4	21.7	16-33	48.5%	2-5	40.0%	20-22	90.9%	0.2	3.4	3	10	0	3	10.8	
24	Gevon Grant	5-1	20.2	12-31	38.7%	3-13	23.1%	16-28	57.1%	0.6	3.0	8	9	0	6	8.6	
3	Jeffery Hillmer	5-5	30.7	14-33	42.4%	3-6	50.0%	2-3	66.7%	2.2	4.6	6	4	3	4	6.6	
1	Bryden Gryzmala	5-3	14.9	7-15	46.7%	2-6	33.3%	6-6	100.0%	0.0	1.0	5	5	0	2	4.4	
0	Cullen Rauls	3-1	15.8	4-12	33.3%	2-7	28.6%	3-7	42.9%	0.7	2.0	2	4	0	5	4.3	
12	Robert Hutson	5-0	11.7	7-23	30.4%	1-9	11.1%	3-4	75.0%	1.0	1.2	0	3	1	0	3.6	
5	Larry Carthan	5-0	12.9	5-13	38.5%	0-0	-	8-12	66.7%	1.4	3.8	2	5	5	1	3.6	
30	Alex Ross	4-0	4.2	2-4	50.0%	2-4	50.0%	1-2	50.0%	0.0	0.0	1	0	0	0	1.8	
21	Isaiah Thompson	5-0	7.4	2-7	28.6%	2-6	33.3%	0-0	-	0.0	0.4	1	1	0	2	1.2	
- Team Total		5-0	-	125-281	44.5%	25-79	31.6%	102-154	66.2%	13.6	35.6	47	68	21	33	75.4	
- Opponent		5-0	-	133-283	47.0%	41-116	35.3%	80-117	68.4%	11.4	34.8	64	67	16	32	77.4	

## Top Scorers

#	PLAYER	PTS	▼	FGM-A	FG%
11	Mekhi Doby	17.5		11-25	44.0%
22	Devon Richardson	13.0		25-39	64.1%
2	Juan Madrigal	12.6		20-46	43.5%
13	Zerrick Johnson	10.8		16-33	48.5%
24	Gevon Grant	8.6		12-31	38.7%

## Top Rebounders

#	PLAYER	REB	▼	ORB
22	Devon Richardson	6.6		2.8
3	Jeffery Hillmer	4.6		2.2
2	Juan Madrigal	4.2		1.2
5	Larry Carthan	3.8		1.4
13	Zerrick Johnson	3.4		0.2

## 3PT Shooters

#	PLAYER	3PM-A	3P%	▼
3	Jeffery Hillmer	3-6	50.0%	
2	Juan Madrigal	8-19	42.1%	
13	Zerrick Johnson	2-5	40.0%	
21	Isaiah Thompson	2-6	33.3%	
1	Bryden Gryzmala	2-6	33.3%	

## BEST Free Throw Shooters

#	PLAYER	FTM-A	FT%	▼
1	Bryden Gryzmala	6-6	100.0%	
13	Zerrick Johnson	20-22	90.9%	
2	Juan Madrigal	15-19	78.9%	
12	Robert Hutson	3-4	75.0%	
3	Jeffery Hillmer	2-3	66.7%	

## WORST Free Throw Shooters

#	PLAYER	FTM-A	FT%	^
30	Alex Ross	1-2	50.0%	
22	Devon Richardson	14-25	56.0%	
24	Gevon Grant	16-28	57.1%	
5	Larry Carthan	8-12	66.7%	
12	Robert Hutson	3-4	75.0%	