

**RHP Blake Morningstar**

School: Wake Forest

Grade: Junior

DOB: 03/29/2005

HT: 6-4

WT: 225

H/T: R/R

Grades:

Fastball	Cutter	Curveball	Changeup	Slider	Command	OFP	Risk
<b>60 (60)</b> <b>92-94, T97</b>	<b>45 (50)</b> <b>88-90</b>	<b>45 (55)</b> <b>81-83</b>	<b>45 (50)</b> <b>86-88</b>	<b>40 (45)</b> <b>83-85</b>	<b>40 (45)</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>High</b>

**SCOUTING BLURB - *Ethan Kagno***

Physical: Morningstar has a projectable MLB body with whippy arm action and a high effort delivery from the three-quarter slot. Out of the windup, he toes the rubber with both feet pointing to third base and raises his glove in front of his face prior to a slight side step. The front leg lift is compact and he generates solid momentum downhill with long levers and a powerful lower half.

Strengths: Regardless of what his role has been, or where he's pitched, Morningstar excels at missing bats. In his first two seasons at Wake, he struck batters nearly 28-percent of the time and features an above average four-seamer with ride at the top of the zone that touched 97 and a sharp two-plane breaker in the low 80s. His changeup generated a 38-percent chase rate and has worked it more into his repertoire since his freshman season. He had a 13.9 K/9-rate on the Cape in 2024 and lowered his BB% by roughly three percent during his breakout sophomore campaign as a starter.

Weaknesses: As alluded to earlier, it's a high effort delivery that may not easily be replicated pitch to pitch. He tends to open up glove side upon release which has caused him to overthrow and get wild at times. Although he has improved on his walk-rate, he'll need to become a more consistent strike thrower if he wants to figure into a starting rotation at the next level.

Summary: Morningstar is a high risk high reward thrower with solid stuff across the board and should rack up strikeouts regardless of his role in the pros. If he can simplify some of his mechanics there's reason a team could chase the upside within the first few rounds of the 2026 MLB Draft.