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## Mike Winther

**Team:** Airdrie Xtreme (AMBHL)

**Position:** Centre

**Shoots:** Left

**Height:** 5'9

**Weight:** 155lbs

**DOB:** January 9, 1994

**Draft Status:** 6<sup>th</sup> overall (Prince Albert Raiders)

**Time Viewed:** 10

**2009 Stats:** 32GP 40G\* 23A 63pts\* 48PIM

Mike Winther is dynamic forward who has natural scoring ability. Mike has very good hockey sense and positional positioning which he uses to be an effective player at both ends of the ice. Mike possesses very good skating abilities; he is fast, has quick feet and wastes very little momentum by keeping his feet moving. His skating allows him to continuously find open ice in the offensive zone. Mike has excellent puck control and is very strong on the puck. He has the ability to hold onto the puck for extended periods of time against one, two and even three opposing players. Mike battles hard along the boards, in the corners and in front of the opposing net for the puck; he rarely ever gives up on a play until it's over. Mike likes to drive hard to the net and park himself there looking for scoring chances. Mike is dangerous in the offensive zone as he has a hard and accurate shot that he can get off very quickly and is also an excellent passer who sees the play develop very well. As a centre mike wins about 75% of the face-offs he takes. As well as being a strong offensive threat Mike is defensively reliable. He gets down to block shots, backchecks very hard to create turnovers, and also covers for pinching defencemen on a regular basis.

\*League Leader