

Penguins Acquire Forward Clayton Keller from Arizona Coyotes

The Pittsburgh Penguins have acquired forward Clayton Keller from the Arizona Coyotes. It was announced today by President of Hockey Operations and General Manager Kyle Dubas.

Clayton Keller is signed through the 2028-29 season and his contract carries an average annual value of \$7.4 million.

Keller, 25, was drafted seventh overall in the first round of the 2016 entry draft by the Coyotes.

The Chesterfield, Missouri native signed with the Coyotes on March 26, 2017. He recorded his first NHL point with an assist in his second game. Keller went on to score 11 goals in the first 16 games of the Coyotes' 2017-18 season. Keller finished his first NHL season with 65 points (23G-42A) and was a Calder Finalist.

The 5-foot-10 170 pound forward had a career high 2022-2023 season with 37 goals, 49 assists, and 86 points. This season's performance tied Keller with Keith Tkachuk's franchise point record set in 1996-97.

In the 2023-24 season has 30 goals and 32 assists in 67 games played. He has recorded 163 goals and 241 assists in his 509 game career.

While playing the USA Hockey National Team Development Program from 2014 to 2016, Keller broke Phil Kessel's record for points by a player within the program with 189 points (71G-118A).

Keller played one season at Boston University in 2016-17, recording 45 points (21G-24A) in 31 games. During his season at Boston University Keller was named the Hockey East Rookie of the Year for 2016 and received the Tim Taylor Award for the Top NCAA Division I rookie.

Keller was the second highest scorer in the 2015-16 World Junior Under 18 Tournament, winning gold with the United States Team.

Keller represented the United States in the 2017 IIHF World Junior Championship, winning gold.

Keller played for the United States when they took seventh in the 2019 IIHF World Championship, recording 47 points (14G-33A).

Keller has played in four NHL All Star Games (2019, '22, '23, '24).