Six Steelers selected onto NFL Top 100

The National Football League released the list of the top 100 players in the NFL. Six players on the Steelers roster were selected on to this list; some improved ranks, while some made the list for the first time.

Three-time pro bowler, David Decastro, was ranked 44th on the Top 100 list. Last year, the Offensive Guard was ranked 97th. He has played in every game for the Steelers since 2013.

Linebacker Ryan Shazier was not selected on to the Top 100 list last year, but this season he was ranked 47th. Just this past season, Shazier recorded 89 tackles, 11 pass deflections, caught three interceptions, and recovered two fumbles. Shazier is entering his fifth season for the steelers and has recorded over 85 tackles in the past three seasons.

2017 Pro Bowler, DT Cameron Heyward, was ranked 48th on the NFL Top 100 list. Despite not being ranked last year, Heyward finished the season by becoming a 2017 First team all pro selection. In the 2017 season, he recorded 30 tackles and career-high 12 sacks, which is the first 10+ sack season by a Steeler since 2010. The 2018 Pro Bowl Selection is entering his eighth season in the NFL and with the Steelers and has improved each and every year.

Quarterback Ben Roethlisberger was ranked 22nd last year on the NFL Top 100 list, but this year, he improved his rank to 18th. Last season, Roethlisberger finished with 4,251 passing yards, 28 touchdowns and a 64.2 completion rate. Since 2006, Roethlisberger has thrown over 3,000 passing yards in every season. He has had a completion of rate of 60% and over in his entire NFL career. He finished 5th in the regular season in passing yards among the entire NFL in 2017.

Running Back Le’Veon Bell improved his rank from 9th to 5th within the past two seasons. Last season, he recorded 1,291 rushing yards with nine rushing touchdowns, alongside with 655 receiving yards and two receiving touchdowns. Bell finished first in rushing attempts and fourth in rushing yards amongst all running backs in the regular season just last year.

Wide Receiver Antonio Brown improved his rank from 4th to 2nd. Just last season, he recorded 1,533 receiving yards and nine receiving touchdowns. Antonio Brown was first in the NFL in receiving yards in 2017. He is one of seven players with a 99-player rating in Madden 19. He was the 195th player selected when he was drafted, and now he’s the second-best player in the league. Currently he is ranked ninth in All-Time Scoring Leaders in Steelers History with 392 points.