

2015 FIU Game Notes

FIU 17, LA Tech 27

Sept. 26, 2015

Joe Aillet Stadium – Ruston, La.



- Today's captains – Anthon Samuel, Anthony Wint, Alex McGough and Michael Wakefield.
- FIU won the coin toss and deferred to the second half. FIU has won the coin toss in each of the teams' first four games.
- Mark Bruno and Anthony Jones made their first-career starts.
- With today's loss FIU is now 0-4 all-time on FOX College Sports.
- With the loss, the Panthers are now 0-2 versus LA Tech all-time.
- Today's game marked FIU's first trip to Ruston, La.
- Today marked the 158th game in FIU football history.
- FIU is now 2-1 all-time in C-USA season openers.
- LA Tech's opening-drive score marked the first time FIU allowed the first score of the game this season.
- Jonnu Smith extended his streak of consecutive games with a reception to 28 with a 19-yard reception in the first quarter.
- Smith finished the day with three catches for 43 yards.
- Austin Taylor's 44-yard field goal in the second quarter was a season long.
- Ya'Keem Griner's 10-yard touchdown reception was the second of the season for the senior and fourth of his career.
- Griner set a career high in receptions with seven and was one yard shy of tying his career-high in yards receiving, posting 64 on Saturday.
- Alex Gardner recorded a career-high nine catches (70 yards) versus the Bulldogs.
- Alex McGough notched his fourth-straight 200-yard passing game, recording a career-high 263 yards through the air.
- McGough also totaled two passing touchdowns to give the Tampa native nine on the year and 23 for his career (4th all-time at FIU).
- Thomas Owens grabbed his fourth touchdown of the season in the fourth quarter. Owens has caught a touchdown pass in three-straight games.