

## On Florida State Head Coach Jimbo Fisher Quotes

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## Head coach Jimbo Fisher

On scoring on the opening series: "I think it was huge just to set the momentum. To go out and have a seven or eight-minute drive and we had the ball inside the 20 yard line, so about an 80 yard drive. We picked up third downs, we threw it, we ran it. We had great balance, control and it was just a great way to start the game, especially being on the road.

**On RB Cam Akers' touchdown:** "That was huge. We're just so close to those big plays, nothing they did wrong, they just have to keep grinding and making those plays. That was a huge play, on third down that cutback he made."

On third down runs by Jacques Patrick: "He had one on the first drive and on the last drive. Jacques Patrick is a hell of a football player. There's so much character, talent and heart in that guy. He has size, speed. There was a run down our sideline where he ran through about four tackles. It was a nine-yard run and it should have been a one-yard run. He's just playing so well, on blitzes and everything. He played his tail off. Those two third down runs were huge."

On Shaun Wilson's interception: "That was a big play. They had a guy coming open on it. That's the thing, when you gamble on things like that, our guys will battle, our guy got the tip and that was huge."

On making the run game the team's identity: "We have to feed off of that. We have to feed off those guys and the action. We got some nice play actions to the fullback. You saw [Johnathan] Vickers catching a couple of those nice balls. You see the tight ends coming into play. Then the young receivers start. But you always have to be able to run the football and stop the run. I don't care how spread you are. Football is still a game of you have to be able to run the football and stop the run. That's the one thing, we're finding an identity running the football."

**On Akers:** "Between him and Jacques, those two feed off each other, they play off each other. Cam made the big run. He's been playing outstanding football, but both of them are. We're tickled to death by the two of them. He just keeps growing."

On defense getting fourth quarter stops: "Being able to get off the field, that's huge in that situation. We made a couple plays, a few sacks we got some pressure. We got a couple knockdowns and some pressure when we had to get pressure. That's the other thing we need to keep working on, finding pressure on the quarterback."