



2018
FLORIDA STATE
FOOTBALL

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3 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS | 15 ACC CHAMPIONSHIPS | 44 FIRST-ROUND PICKS

FINAL: MIAMI 28, FSU 27

TEAM NOTES

- » Florida State scored first and scored on its first drive for the second time this season (Northern Illinois).
- » FSU set a season high with 13 tackles for loss. The previous high was 7 against Virginia Tech, Syracuse and Louisville.
- » FSU's 5 sacks set a season high. The previous high was 4 against Northern Illinois and Louisville.
- » Matthews' punt return touchdown was the first for a Seminole since Bobo Wilson against Charleston Southern in 2016.
- » Miami came into the game averaging 6.4 yards per play and 5.2 yards per rush. The Seminole defense held the Canes to 3.9 yards per play and just 2.2 yards per rush.

PLAYER NOTES

- » Wide receiver Keith Gavin caught a 17-yard touchdown on FSU's first drive, his first career touchdown.
- » Tamorrion Terry caught his team-high fifth touchdown in the second quarter to extend FSU's lead to 17-7. Terry's five touchdown catches are the most for an FSU freshman since Rashad Greene had 7 in 2011.
 - » Terry has 13 catches on the season and five TDs, an average of 2.6 catches per touchdown.
- » Sophomore defensive tackle Marvin Wilson had a pair of sacks after entering the game with 1.5 in his career.
- » Quarterback Deondre Francois completed his first 6 passes for 63 yards and a touchdown.
- » Logan Tyler cranked a pair of 55 yard punts. He has at least one punt of over 50 yards in each game.
- » Brian Burns finished the night with 4 tackles, 3 TFL, 2 sacks, a QB hurry, a PBU and 2 forced fumbles. Burns leads FSU with 7 sacks on the season. For his career, Burns has 21 sacks and 7 forced fumbles. Burns' 21 sacks and 33.5 TFL are both 1.5 shy of joining FSU's top ten lists.
 - » It was Burns' second game with multiple forced fumbles (Clemson, 2017). DeCalon Brooks recovered Burns' first forced fumble.
- » Quarterback James Blackman made his first appearance of the season in the second quarter, completing a pass to Nyqwan Murray.
- » Ricky Aguayo made a pair of field goals in the first half, including a career-high 53-yarder to end the first half. Aguayo's 43 career field goals are tied with Dave Cappelen (1976-79) for the seventh-most in FSU history. He passed Scott Bentley (42, 1993-96) with his first field goal of the game.
 - » D.J. Matthews finished with 145 punt return yards including returns of 46 yards and a 74-yard touchdown. Matthews 145 yards set a career high and were the most in the country for any player this season. Matthews added 15 receiving yards and had 160 all-purpose yards.

CAPTAINS & COIN TOSS

At the end of fall camp, head coach Willie Taggart named senior center Alec Eberle, junior defensive end Brian Burns and junior kicker Ricky Aguayo FSU's 2018 captains.

COIN TOSS

FSU won the toss and deferred to the second half.

FSU STARTERS

OFFENSE

		2015	2016	2017	2018	Career	Consecutive
Mike Arnold	RG	-	-	-	6	6	6
Abdul Bello	RT	-	-	-	2	2	1
Alec Eberle	C	6	13	13	6	38	38
Deondre Francois	QB	-	13	1	6	20	6
Keith Gavin	WR	-	-	8	6	14	11
D.J. Matthews	WR	-	-	1	3	4	1
Cole Minshew	LG	-	3	13	4	20	4
Nyqwan Murray	WR	-	2	8	4	14	1
Jacques Patrick	RB	1	1	9	1	12	1
Brady Scott	LT	-	-	-	3	3	3
Tamorrion Terry	WR	-	-	-	5	5	5

DEFENSE

		2015	2016	2017	2018	Career	Consecutive
Walvenski Aime	DE	-	-	-	2	2	1
DeCalon Brooks	LB	-	-	-	4	4	4
Brian Burns	DE	-	-	13	6	19	19
Demarcus Christmas	DT	1	13	13	5	32	2
Dontavious Jackson	LB	-	1	2	5	8	2
Fredrick Jones	NG	-	2	-	6	8	6
Kyle Meyers	DB	-	-	2	6	8	6
Stanford Samuels III	FS	-	-	1	5	6	5
Levonta Taylor	CB	-	-	13	6	19	19
A.J. Westbrook	FS	-	8	5	6	19	7
Jaiden Woodbey	STAR	-	-	-	6	6	6