



2018
FLORIDA STATE
FOOTBALL

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FINAL: FSU 22, NO. 22 BOSTON COLLEGE 21

GAME NOTES

- » FSU's 22-21 win over No. 22 Boston College was its first win over a ranked opponent since the 2016 Orange Bowl over No. 6 Michigan. Florida State used a 74-yard touchdown catch from Deondre Francois to Tamorrion Terry with 1:49 remaining. It was the Seminoles' 12th one-point win all-time and first at home since a 14-13 win over Georgia Tech in 2003.
- » Francois finished 19-for-39 for 322 yards and a touchdown. Francois now has nine career 300-yard games and four in 2018. Francois ranks tied for fourth in FSU history in 300 yards games and his 6,137 career yards are 9th in school history.
- » Francois' 74-yard touchdown to Terry was the longest of his five career fourth-quarter game-winning touchdowns. His previous high was a 58-yarder to Nyqwan Murray at Louisville earlier this season. All five have come in the final five minutes of the game, including a toss to Murray with 36 seconds remaining in the 2016 Orange Bowl, FSU's last one-point victory (33-32 vs. No. 6 Michigan).
- » Terry caught three passes for 112 yards and the 74-yard touchdown. The redshirt freshman has two 100-yard games this season (142 at NC State) and his 8 touchdown catches are one shy of the FSU freshman record (Greg Carr, 2005). Terry entered the day 14th in the country with a 19.1 yards per catch average. That number is now at 20.8 (666 yards on 32 catches). Terry's 666 receiving yards are the most in school history for a freshman.
- » Running back Cam Akers ran for 110 yards, including a four-yard touchdown and a 55-yarder in the second half. Akers has 13 career rushing touchdowns and six in 2018. It was Akers' first 100-yard rushing game this season and fifth of his career.
- » FSU's defense held Boston College to just 2.6 yards per rush (125 yards on 49 carries). The Eagles entered the day averaging 203.9 rush yards per game and 4.3 yards per carry. The Seminoles outgained the Eagles 478-422 overall, 156-125 on the ground and 322-297 in the air. FSU averaged 6.4 yards per play.
- » Freshman wide receiver Keyshawn Helton made the first start of his career. He caught passes for 23 and 25 yards in the first quarter and finished the game with a career-high six catches for 73 yards.
- » Defensive end Brian Burns had a career-high-tying seven tackles, with 2.0 tackles for loss and 1.0 sack. Burns now has 10.0 sacks on the season, a career high, and 24.0 for his career, fifth-most in FSU history.
- » Safety Hamsah Nasirildeen intercepted his first career pass midway through the first quarter.
- » Cornerback Stanford Samuels III intercepted his fourth pass of the season and sixth of his career. Both are team highs. Samuels' III father, Stanford Samuels Jr., had six career interceptions over four seasons (2000-03).
- » As a team, FSU has 12 interceptions by seven different players. The Noles have multiple interceptions in four games this season (Samford, Louisville, Notre Dame, Boston College).
- » Freshman defensive end Dennis Briggs Jr. made his first career tackle in the first quarter. He added a fourth-down pass breakup in the second quarter. Briggs finished with two tackles, a quarterback hurry and a pass breakup.
- » Wide receiver Nyqwan Murray caught three passes for 59 yards, including a 45-yarder that set up FSU's go-ahead touchdown in the third quarter. Murray has at least one reception in 29 consecutive games played dating back to 2016.
- » Tight end Naseir Upshur's 28-yard catch in the third quarter was the longest of his career.
- » Junior kicker Ricky Aguayo made three field goals and an extra point. It was his 13th career game with 2+ made field goals and 6th with 3+ field goals.
- » Junior linebacker Dontavious Jackson led Florida State with 14 tackles, tying a career-high set earlier this season at Syracuse. Jackson added his first sack of the season and he now has 2.5 in his career. As a team, FSU had 2.0 sacks and 5.0 tackles for loss after being shut out in both categories last week at Notre Dame.

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

Florida State won the toss and elected to receive.

FSU STARTERS

OFFENSE

		2015	2016	2017	2018	Career	Consecutive
Cam Akers	RB	-	-	5	9	13	4
Mike Arnold	RG	-	-	-	10	10	2
Derrick Kelly	LT	4	2	13	8	27	5
Alec Eberle	C	6	13	13	11	43	43
Deondre Francois	QB	-	13	1	10	24	2
Keyshawn Helton	WR	-	-	-	1	1	1
Tre McKitty	TE	-	-	-	9	9	5
Nyqwan Murray	WR	-	2	8	7	17	1
Tamorrion Terry	WR	-	-	-	10	10	10
Arthur Williams	LG	-	-	-	4	4	3
Jauan Williams	RT	-	-	-	5	5	2

DEFENSE

		2015	2016	2017	2018	Career	Consecutive
Brian Burns	DE	-	-	13	11	24	24
Demarcus Christmas	DT	1	13	13	10	37	7
Dontavious Jackson	LB	-	1	2	9	12	2
Joshua Kaindoh	DE	-	-	-	2	2	2
Hamsah Nasirildeen	SS	-	-	2	4	6	3
Asante Samuel	CB	-	-	-	2	2	1
Stanford Samuels III	CB	-	-	1	10	11	10
Leonard Warner III	LB	-	-	-	3	3	1
A.J. Westbrook	FS	-	8	5	11	24	12
Marvin Wilson	NG	-	-	-	4	4	2
Jaiden Woodbey	STAR	-	-	-	11	11	11