

# FLORIDA STATE

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## 2019-20 Florida State Schedule/Results

O22	1 Barry University	W, 95-66
N1	1 Columbus State	W, 84-54
N6	* at Pittsburgh	L, 61-63
N10	at Florida	W, 63-51
N15	Western Carolina	W, 79-74
N20	2 Chattanooga	W, 89-53
N23	Saint Francis (Pa.)	W, 80-65
N25	2 Chicago State	W, 113-56
N29	3 vs. Tennessee	7:00 p.m.
N30	3 vs. Purdue/VCU	TBA
D3	at Indiana	9:00 p.m.
D8	* Clemson	2:00 p.m.
D17	North Florida	8:30 p.m.
D21	USF	12 Noon
D28	North Alabama	2:00 p.m.
D31	* Georgia Tech	12 Noon
J4	* at Louisville	2:00 p.m.
J8	* at Wake Forest	7:30 p.m.
J15	* Virginia	7:00 p.m.
J18	* at Miami	12 Noon
J25	* Notre Dame	8:00 p.m.
J28	* at Virginia	7:00 p.m.
F1	* at Virginia Tech	4:00 p.m.
F3	* North Carolina	7:00 p.m.
F8	* Miami	12 Noon
F10	* at Duke	7:00 p.m.
F15	* Syracuse	12 Noon
F18	* Pittsburgh	8:00 p.m.
F22	* at NC State	4:00 p.m.
F24	* Louisville	7:00 p.m.
F29	* at Clemson	2:00 p.m.
M4	* at Notre Dame	9:00 p.m.
M7	* Boston College	4:30 p.m.
M	ACC Tournament	TBA

Greensboro, N.C.

\*ACC Game 1 Exhibition Game; 2 Emerald Coast Classic at Tallahassee, Fla.; 3 Emerald Coast Classic at Northwest Florida State College, Niceville, Fla.; 4 ACC/Big Ten Challenge at Bloomington, Ind.; 5 Metro by T-Mobile Orange Bowl Basketball Classic at BB&T Center, Sunrise, Fla.; 6 ACC Tournament at Greensboro Coliseum, Greensboro, N.C.

## 2018-19 ACC Standings

Team	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Virginia	16	2	.889	34	3	.919
N. Carolina	16	2	.889	29	7	.806
Duke	14	4	.778	32	6	.842
<b>Florida State</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>.722</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>.784</b>
Virginia Tech	12	6	.667	27	9	.750
Louisville	10	8	.556	20	14	.588
Syracuse	10	8	.556	20	14	.588
NC State	9	9	.500	24	11	.686
Clemson	9	9	.500	20	14	.588
Georgia Tech	6	12	.333	14	18	.438
Boston College	5	13	.278	14	17	.452
Miami	5	13	.278	14	19	.424
Wake Forest	4	14	.222	11	20	.355
Pittsburgh	3	15	.167	14	19	.424
Notre Dame	3	15	.167	14	19	.424

## Leonard Hamilton's Career Record

	W	L	Pct.	Years
Career	539	427	.558	1987-Pr.
at Okla. State	56	63	.471	1987-90
at Miami	144	147	.495	1991-00
<b>at Florida State</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>.610</b>	<b>2002-Pr.</b>

## FLORIDA STATE SEMINOLES (5-1, 0-1 ACC)

VS

## NO. 16/17 TENNESSEE VOLUNTEERS (5-0, 0-0 SEC)

### THIRD ROUND / EMERALD COAST CLASSIC

### THE ARENA AT NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE

### NICEVILLE, FLORIDA

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2019; 7:00 P.M. (ET)

SEMINOLE IMG RADIO NETWORK (TOM BLOCK, KEITH JONES)

CBS SPORTS NETWORK (BRAD JOHANSEN, STEVE LAPPAS, JUSTIN WALTERS)

"Keep an eye on this Florida State team. They are picked 5th in the ACC this season. Last year they were picked 7th and had a program best 29 wins. Don't bet against Leonard Hamilton."

Paul Biancardi  
ESPN

## FLORIDA STATE TRAVELS TO NICEVILLE FOR MATCH-UP WITH NATIONALLY RANKED TENNESSEE

Florida State, which has won five consecutive games, travels to Niceville, Fla., to play Tennessee at The Arena at Northwest Florida State College in the third round of the Emerald Coast Classic. The Seminoles and the Volunteers are meeting for the ninth time – and for the first time since a 101-90 Florida State victory on January 15, 1989 in Tallahassee. Florida State is playing in the Panhandle of Florida in Niceville for the first time in school history. The campus of Northwest Florida State College is approximately 150 miles west of the Florida State University campus in Tallahassee – the capital city of the state of Florida. The Seminoles' game in Niceville marks their sixth consecutive game in the state of Florida. After opening the season at Pittsburgh, the Seminoles have played four games in Tallahassee (4-0) and one in Gainesville against Florida (1-0 with a victory over the then No. 6 Gators of the SEC). The Seminoles play nine of their first 11 games of the season in the state of Florida in four different arenas (seven at the Donald L. Tucker Center in Tallahassee, two in The Arena at Northwest Florida, one at the Exactech Arena at the Stephen C. O'Connell Center at the University of Florida and one at the BB&T Center in Sunrise, Fla. in the Orange Bowl Classic). Following Friday's game against Tennessee, the Seminoles will face either Purdue or No. 19/20 VCU in the final round of the Emerald Coast Classic on Saturday. Florida State travels to play at Indiana in the ACC / Big Ten Challenge on Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 9:00 p.m. ET

## FLORIDA STATE VS. TENNESSEE – CONNECTIONS

Florida State will play Tennessee in the third round of the Emerald Classic on Friday, November 29, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. (ET) at The Arena at Northwest Florida State College. It is the ninth meeting between the two teams – and the first since a regular season meeting on January 15, 1989 in Tallahassee – a game won by the Seminoles by a 101-90 margin. The Vols lead the series, which began during the 1957-58 season, by a 5-3 margin. A total of six of the first eight games have been played on one of the teams' campuses (five at Tennessee and one at Florida State) with two games played in holiday tournaments at neutral sites. The Seminoles are 1-1 against the Vols in games played at a neutral site. Rick Barnes is in his fourth season as the Volunteers Head Coach. He was the head coach at Clemson in the ACC from 1995-98 – the Seminoles were 4-4 against Barnes when he was the Tigers' head coach. The Seminoles have also faced Barnes as an assistant coach at Alabama (1985-86, 0-1). Michael Schwartz, a former assistant coach at Miami, is an assistant coach for Barnes at Tennessee. The Seminoles were 10-2 against the Hurricanes with Schwartz on the staff. Desmond Oliver, a former assistant coach at Charlotte, was on the 49ers' staff in both 2012 and 2013 when the Seminoles defeated Charlotte twice in two games.

## IN-SEASON TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY

Florida State has won 16 in-season tournament championships with its most recent title coming at the 2017 Jamaica Classic. The Seminoles also won the 2008 Global Sports Classic, the 2009 Old Spice Classic, and the 2012 Coaches vs. Cancer Classic to give 18<sup>th</sup>-year Head Coach Leonard Hamilton four tournament championships during his tenure at Florida State.

## HAMILTON WITH 70 WINS OVER RANKED TEAMS

Florida State's Leonard Hamilton enters Friday's game against No. 16/17 Tennessee looking for his 71<sup>st</sup> career win over a nationally ranked team. He earned two wins over ranked teams at Oklahoma State, 17 at Miami and 51 at Florida State. He has earned four wins over No. 1 ranked teams: against No. 1 Oklahoma (February 4, 1989 while at Oklahoma State); against No. 1 Duke (March 1, 2006 while at Florida State); against No. 1 North Carolina (March 4, 2009 while at Florida State) and against No. 1 Duke (January 12, 2011 while at Florida State). Nearly 13 percent of Hamilton's total of 539 wins have come against nationally ranked teams (70 of 539, .1298 percent).

## LOOK FOR FLORIDA STATE TO...

...Defeat No. 16/17 Tennessee and gain its second victory of the season over a nationally ranked team. The Seminoles defeated then No. 6/6 ranked Florida by a 63-51 decision in Gainesville on November 10, 2019;  
 ...Defeat No. 16/17 Tennessee and win in 21<sup>st</sup> game against a nationally ranked opponent in the last four seasons. The Seminoles defeated a school-record seven nationally ranked teams during the 2016-17 season;  
 ...Defeat No. 16/17 Tennessee and earn its fifth win over a ranked team from the SEC in the last four years. The Seminoles have three wins over ranked Florida teams and one over a ranked LSU team since Dec. 11, 2016.

## Florida State Basketball / National Polls

### ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL

Rk.	Team	19-20 Rec.
1.	<b>Duke (53)</b>	<b>6-0</b>
2.	<b>Louisville (7)</b>	<b>6-0</b>
3.	Michigan State (4)	3-1
4.	Kansas	3-1
5.	Maryland	5-0
6.	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>4-0</b>
7.	<b>Virginia (1)</b>	<b>6-0</b>
8.	Gonzaga	6-0
9.	Kentucky	5-1
10.	Ohio State	5-0
11.	Oregon	5-0
12.	Texas Tech	5-0
13.	Seton Hall	4-1
14.	Arizona	6-0
15.	Utah State	7-0
16.	Memphis	5-1
17.	<b>Tennessee</b>	<b>4-0</b>
18.	Auburn	5-0
19.	Baylor	5-1
20.	<b>VCU</b>	<b>5-0</b>
21.	Colorado	4-0
22.	Villanova	4-2
23.	Washington	5-1
24.	<b>Florida</b>	<b>5-2</b>
25.	Xavier	6-1

**ARV – Florida State (26<sup>th</sup> place)**

### USA TODAY POLL

Rk.	Team	Points
1.	<b>Duke (27)</b>	<b>766</b>
2.	<b>Louisville (1)</b>	<b>728</b>
3.	Michigan State (1)	689
4.	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>640</b>
5.	Kansas	637
6.	<b>Virginia</b>	<b>628</b>
7.	Gonzaga	576
8.	Maryland (1)	572
9.	Ohio State (1)	524
10.	Oregon	471
11.	Kentucky	454
12.	Texas Tech	430
13.	Seton Hall	378
14.	Arizona	365
15.	Utah State	296
16.	<b>Tennessee</b>	<b>276</b>
17.	Auburn	255
18.	Baylor	223
19.	<b>VCU</b>	<b>213</b>
20.	Memphis	163
21.	Villanova	147
22.	Washington	108
23.	Xavier	96
24.	Colorado	76
25.	<b>Florida</b>	<b>71</b>

**ARV – Florida State (29<sup>th</sup> place)**

### ACC Operation Basketball (Oct. 8, 2019)

1.	Duke (51)	1564
2.	North Carolina (19)	1493
3.	Louisville (29)	1448
4.	Virginia (12)	1405
5.	<b>Florida State</b>	<b>1157</b>
6.	NC State	1038
7.	Notre Dame	915
8.	Syracuse	910
9.	Miami	768
10.	Pitt	577
11.	Clemson	564
12.	Georgia Tech	437
13.	Boston College	382
14.	Virginia Tech	334
15.	Wake Forest	328

## A QUICK REVIEW OF THE 2018-29 SEASON

Florida State enjoyed one of the greatest seasons in school history in 2018-19 as it played in its third consecutive NCAA Tournament, advanced to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament for the school-record tying second consecutive season, finished the season ranked 10<sup>th</sup> nationally, advanced to the championship game of the ACC Tournament, finished fourth in the ACC standings and defeated six nationally ranked teams. Florida State won a program record 29 games and earned a school-record 13 ACC wins, finishing fourth in the best conference for college basketball in the country. The Seminoles defeated Virginia, who won the National Championship, in the semifinals of the ACC Tournament to reach the championship game of the ACC Tournament for the third time in school history.

### FLORIDA STATE NATIONALLY IN THE LAST TWO SEASONS

The Seminoles are one of seven teams in the nation (Florida State, Duke, Gonzaga, Kentucky, Michigan, Purdue and Texas Tech) who have advanced at least as far as the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament in both of the last two seasons. The Seminoles advanced to the Elite Eight in 2018 and to the Sweet 16 in 2019.

### HAMILTON MOVES CLOSER TO SIXTH WINNINGEST COACH IN ACC HISTORY

With 339 career victories during his tenure at Florida State, 18<sup>th</sup>-year Head Coach Leonard Hamilton enters the Seminoles' game against Saint Francis on Saturday as the seventh all-time winningest coach in ACC history. He needs only 10 wins to move into sixth place in ACC history (passing Maryland's Lefty Driesell) and only 11 wins to become just the sixth coach in the illustrious history of the nation's best basketball conference to win 350 career games.

### Hamilton In ACC History

Rank	Coach, School	Career Wins
1.	Mike Krzyzewski, Duke	1,059
2.	Dean Smith, North Carolina	879
3.	Gary Williams, Maryland	461
5.	Bobby Cremins, Georgia Tech	354
6.	Lefty Driesell, Maryland	348
7.	<b>Leonard Hamilton, Florida State</b>	<b>339</b>

### THE LAST TEAM TO BEAT VIRGINIA

Florida State, which has won 21 of its last 25 games (.840 winning percentage) dating to a 77-68 victory over Clemson on January 22, 2019, is the last team to beat defending national champion Virginia. The Seminoles topped the Cavaliers, 69-59, in the semifinals of the 2019 ACC Tournament in Charlotte to advance to the ACC Tournament Championship game for the third time in school history.

### SEMINOLES REMAIN HOT FROM THE FREE THROW LINE; ENTER FRIDAY'S GAME AS ACC LEADER

Florida State, which shot a season-high .871 percent from the free throw line and made 27 free throws in its win over Chicago State, enters Friday's game against No. 16/17 Tennessee ranked first in the ACC in free throw shooting percentage with a .817 mark through its first six games of the season. The Seminoles are shooting nearly nine percentage points higher from the line than the second-ranked free throw shooting team in the ACC – Louisville at .732. Florida State is the only team in the ACC shooting above .800 percent from the free throw and the only ACC team shooting better than 74 percent from the free throw line.

### Breaking Down Florida State From The Free Throw Line

Games	FTM	FTA	Pct.	Notes
Last 2	42	48	.875	Seminoles shooting .929 (16 of 28) in the last two first halves
First 4	65	83	.783	Seminoles averaged 16.3 FGM/Game in first 4 games

### SEMINOLES WITH DOUBLE FIGURE STEALS IN LAST TWO GAMES

Florida State earned 11 steals in its 80-65 win over Chattanooga on Nov. 23 and totaled a season-high 13 steals in its victory over Chicago State on Nov. 25 to move into fifth place in the ACC team standings with an 8.2 steals per game average. The Seminoles' 24 steals in the last two games led to 58 points off turnovers and limited the Mocs and the Cougars to 54 and 52 shots, respectively. Florida State averaged nearly twice as many steals (12.0) in the last two games when compared to its steals average in the first four games of the season.

### Breaking Down The Seminoles Defensive Abilities

Games	Steals	SPG	Notes
Last 2	24	12.0	Anthony Polite with a career-high 5 steals in FSU victory over Saint Francis
First 4	25	6.3	Trent Forrest with 2 steals in season opener at Pitt
Improvement		+5.7	Trent Forrest ranked 9 <sup>th</sup> in school history with 175 career steals

### SEMINOLES' BENCH OUTSCORES CHICAGO STATE

With three bench players in double figure scoring (Patrick Williams, 16; Nathanael Jack, 14; Balsa Koprivica, 10) in their victory over Chicago State on Monday night in Tallahassee, the Seminoles' bench outscored the Cougars by a 64-56 margin for the game. The 11 reserves for Florida State scored 64 points and the Cougars as a team scored 56. Florida State's bench has outscored its opponents' bench in each of the last five games (all victories) by a 195-115 margin and by a 210-149 (+61 points) for the first six games of the year.

### Breaking Down Florida State Off Of The Bench

Opponent	FSU Bench	Oppt Bench	Notes
Pitt	15	34	Anthony Polite leads FSU with 8 points off of the bench.
Florida	13	9	Anthony Polite leads FSU with 7 points off of the bench
Western Carolina	25	9	Patrick Williams leads FSU with 18 points off of the bench
Chattanooga	51	7	Patrick Williams leads FSU with 16 points off of the bench
Saint Francis	42	19	Wyatt Wilkes scores leads FSU with 14 points off the bench
Chicago State	64	11	Patrick Williams leads FSU with 16 points off the bench

**Florida State Men's Basketball  
Upcoming Milestones**

**Leonard Hamilton**

**Victories as an ACC Coach**

339 (Career at Florida State)

+10 (Needs)

349

To Become the 6<sup>th</sup> Winningest Coach in ACC History (all victories)

**Leonard Hamilton**

**ACC Victories at Florida State**

(Regular Season + ACC Tourn.)

151 (career at Florida State)

+10 (Needs)

161

To Become the 5<sup>th</sup> Winningest Coach in ACC history (ACC games) – surpassing Frank McGuire of North Carolina and South Carolina

**Leonard Hamilton**

**Wins vs. AP No. 1 In Career**

4 (career at Florida State)

+4 (Needs)

To move into a tie for first place college basketball history with Roy Williams for all-time wins vs. the nation's No. 1 ranked team

**Trent Forrest**

**Career Steals**

175 (career at Florida State)

+6 (Needs)

181

To move into 8<sup>th</sup> place for career steals in school history passing Chris Singleton (2009-11)

**Trent Forrest**

**Career Assists**

359 (career at Florida State)

+3 (Needs)

362

To move into 10<sup>th</sup> place in school history for career assists passing LaMarr Greer (1995-98)

**Trent Forrest**

**Career Points**

857 (career at Florida State)

+143 (needs)

1,000

To become the 49<sup>th</sup> player in school history to school 1,000 or more career points

**M.J. Walker**

**Career 3-Point Field Goals Made**

89 (career at Florida State)

+11 (needs)

100

To become the 23<sup>rd</sup> player at Florida State with 100 or more career 3-point field goals made

**M.J. Walker**

**Career 3-Point Field Goals Made**

89 (career at Florida State)

+5 (needs)

To move into 23<sup>rd</sup> place in school in school history with 94 career 3-point field goals made passing Aubrey Boyd (1988-91), Michael Joiner (2001-04) and Todd Galloway (2003-06)

**POSSIBLE STARTING LINEUP FOR FLORIDA STATE...**

F	#10	Malik Osborne (6.8 ppg and 5.7 rpg; Career-high tying 4 blocked shots at Pitt, November 6, 2019)
C	#15	Dominik Olejniczak (4.4 ppg and 2.6 rpg; Career-high tying 1.000 FT Pct. vs. Chicago St., Nov. 25, 2019)
G	#2	Anthony Polite (6.0 ppg and 3.3 rpg; Career-high tying 9 points vs. Chicago State, November 25, 2019)
G	#3	Trent Forrest (12.2 ppg and 4.7 rpg; Career-high tying 2 3FGM vs. Chicago State, November 25, 2019)
G	#24	Devin Vassell (12.3 ppg and 4.0 rpg; Career-high 17 points vs. Chattanooga, November 20, 2019)

**...AND TOP RESERVES**

G	#31	Wyatt Wilkes (4.5 ppg and 1.5 rpg; Career-high 14 points vs. Saint Francis, November 23, 2019)
F	#1	RaiQuan Gray (6.0 ppg and 4.3 rpg; Career-high 7 rebounds vs. Chicago State, November 25, 2019)
G	#23	M.J. Walker (11.3 ppg and 4.0 rpg; Career-high tying 1.000 FT Pct. at Pitt, November 6, 2019)
F	#4	Patrick Williams (10.8 ppg and 3.8 rpg; Career-high 18 points vs. W. Carolina, November 15, 2019)
G	#11	Nathanael Jack (5.8 ppg and 2.0 rpg; Career-high 14 points vs. Chicago State, November 25, 2019)
F	#30	Harrison Prieto (0.5 ppg and 1.0 rpg; Career-high tying 2 points vs. Chattanooga, November 20, 2019)
G	#0	RayQuan Evans (4.0 ppg and 2.3 rpg; Career-high 6 points vs. Saint Francis, November 23, 2019)
C	#5	Balsa Koprivica (6.5 ppg, 3.3 rpg; Career-high 11 points vs. Saint Francis, November 23, 2019)

**POSSIBLE STARTING LINEUP FOR TENNESSEE**

F	#10	John Fulkerson (10.8 ppg, 7.0 rpg; Totaled 14 pts and 2 stls vs. Washington, November 16, 2019)
G	#1	Lamonte Turner (12.8 ppg, 4.3 rpg; Totaled 17 points and 12 assists vs. Chattanooga, Nov. 25, 2019)
G	#5	Josiah-Jordan James (4.8 ppg, 6.3 rpg; Totaled 9 points and 2 stls vs. Washington, Nov. 16, 2019)
G	#23	Jordan Bowden (17.5 ppg, 3.5 rpg; Totaled 26 points and 2 rebounds vs. Murray State, Nov. 12, 2019)
G	#35	Yves Pons (12.8 ppg, 8.5 rpg; Totaled 19 points and 4 blks vs. Murray State, November 12, 2019)

**FLORIDA STATE VS. TENNESSEE -- A SERIES HISTORY**

The Series:	Tennessee leads the series, 5-3
First Game:	December 9, 1957; at Tennessee 74, Florida State 57
Last Game:	January 15, 1989; at Florida State 101, Tennessee 90
Last Florida State Win:	January 15, 1989; at Florida State 101, Tennessee 90
Last Tennessee Win:	December 19, 1987; at Tennessee 81, Florida State 78
Last Florida State Win on a Neutral Court:	December 30, 1986; Florida State 91, Tennessee 90
Last Tennessee Win in a Neutral Court:	December 22, 1964; Tennessee 65, Florida State 45
Current Streak:	Florida State has won 1
Current Streak on a Neutral Court:	Florida State has won 1

**FLORIDA STATE VS. TENNESSEE – THE LAST FOUR GAMES**

<u>Jan. 15, 1989</u>	<u>Dec. 19, 1987</u>	<u>Dec. 30, 1986</u>	<u>Dec. 22, 1964</u>
at Florida State 101	Florida State 78	Florida State 91	Florida State 43
Tennessee 90	at Tennessee 81	Tennessee 90	Tennessee 65

**FLORIDA STATE VS. TENNESSEE – THE LAST GAME**

With four players scoring in double figures, then No. 14 Florida State gained a 101-90 victory over No. 17 Tennessee on January 15, 1989 at the Tallahassee Leon County Civic Center. Tony Dawson's double-double led the Seminoles with 30 points scored and 10 rebounds, as he went 6-of-7 from the line. George McCloud scored 29 points, recorded four steals, and pulled down five rebounds in the victory. Irving Thomas scored 16 and pulled down eight rebounds, while Tharon Mayes added 14 points. Florida State took the lead after three minutes of play and never trailed again. The Seminoles outscored the Volunteers by a 51-38 margin in the first half as they shot 53.5% from the field, and led by thirteen at the intermission. Tennessee gained momentum in the second half, outscoring the Seminoles by a slim 52-50 margin, but a consistent 53.4% shooting percentage and a staunch defensive effort from Florida State earned the win. Florida State's defense propelled the Volunteers into several miscues and they produced just six assists to 19 turnovers, compared to the Seminoles' 14 assists to eight turnovers.

**TONIGHT'S OFFICIALS**

Tonight's referees will be assigned by the Emerald Coast Classic officials prior to the game.

**2018-19 FLORIDA STATE ROSTER**

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown
0	RayQuan Evans	G	6-4	210	Jr.	Billings, Mont./North Idaho College
1	RaiQuan Gray	F	6-8	260	RSo.	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla./Dillard
2	Anthony Polite	G	6-6	215	RSo.	Lugano, Switzerland/St. Andrews Christian School (Fla.)
3	Trent Forrest	G	6-5	210	Jr.	Chipley, Fla./Chipley
4	Patrick Williams	F	6-8	225	Fr.	Charlotte, N.C./West Charlotte
5	Balsa Koprivica	C	7-1	260	Fr.	Belgrade, Serbia/Montverde Academy
10	Malik Osborne	F	6-9	215	So.	Matteson. Ill./Bosco Institute/Rice
11	Nathanael Jack	G	6-5	195	Jr.	Mississauga, Ontario, Canada/Eastern Florida State
12	Justin Lindner	G	6-1	180	RJr.	Memphis, Tenn./Christian Brothers
15	Dominik Olejniczak	C	7-0	260	Gr.	Tourn, Poland/Ole Miss/Drake
20	Travis Light	G	6-5	175	RJr.	Vienna, Va./IMG Academy
23	M.J. Walker	G/F	6-5	213	Jr.	Riverdale, Ga./Jonesboro
24	Devin Vassell	G	6-6	180	So.	Suwanee, Ga./Peachtree Ridge
30	Harrison Prieto	F	6-8	230	RJr.	Mandeville, La./St. Paul's School
31	Wyatt Wilkes	F	6-8	220	RSo.	Orlando, Fla./Winter Park
33	Will Miles	G	6-6	220	RJr.	Orlando, Fla./Trinity Prep
42	Cleveland Yates	G	6-2	214	Fr.	Memphis, Tenn./Briarcrest Christian School
44	Ty Hands	G	6-5	180	RFr.	West Palm Beach, Fla./Palm Beach Lakes

**PRONUNCIATION GUIDE:** RayQuan Evans (RAY-Qwan); RaiQuan Gray (RAY-Qwan); Balsa Koprivica (Ball-Sha KA-Pre-Vizza); Dominik Olejniczak (DOM-a-nick Ole'-knee-CHUCK); Devin Vassell (Dev-in Vuh-SELL - like Sam Cassell with a V).

## Florida State Men's Basketball By The Numbers

**2** Two Florida State players – Patrick Williams (first, 1,000 percent) and Trent Forrest (fifth, .870 percent) – are ranked in the top five in the ACC statistics for individual free throw shooting.

**2** Florida State is one of only two teams in the ACC (and is joined by only Duke) that has advanced at least as far as the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament in both of the last two seasons. The Seminoles advanced to within one step of the NCAA Final Four -- the Elite Eight – in the 2018 NCAA Tournament.

**3** Head Coach Leonard Hamilton has named three captains for the 2019-20 season – Trent Forrest, M.J. Walker and Harrison Prieto.

**3** Three Seminoles – Devin Vassell, Trent Forrest and Malik Osborne -- have started each of the first six games of the season for Florida State.

**4** Florida State is looking to play in its school-record tying fourth consecutive NCAA Tournament in 2020.

**4** Florida State is the fourth winningest program in the ACC since the start of the 2005-06 season ranking behind only Duke, North Carolina and Virginia in the composite ACC standings in the last 15 years.

**5** Five different Seminoles – Trent Forrest vs. Pitt; Devin Vassell vs. Florida, Chattanooga and Chicago State; M.J. Walker vs. Western Carolina; Patrick Williams vs. Western Carolina and Chicago State and Wyatt Wilkes vs. Saint Francis – have led the Seminoles in scoring through the first six games of the 2019-20 season.

**5** Florida State is undefeated, 5-0, when it outscores its opponent.

**5** Redshirt sophomore Anthony Polite earned his career-high of five steals in Florida State's victory over Saint Francis. He became the first Seminole with five steals in a game since current senior Trent Forrest totaled five steals in a Florida State victory over Louisville on February 9, 2019.

**6** Florida State's +57 margin of victory against Chicago State on Monday night is tied for the sixth largest margin of victory in school history.

**8** Eight different Seminoles have started at least one game for the Seminoles in the first six contests of the 2019-20 season.

**12** A season high 12 different Seminoles scored at least one point against both Chattanooga and Chicago State.

**83** Senior Trent Forrest has been a part of 83 Seminole victories during his career – including a school-record 29 wins during the 2018-19 season.

### FORREST MAKES TRIP DOWN 1-10 WEST FOR HOMECOMING AT EMERALD COAST CLASSIC

Senior Trent Forrest makes a familiar trip down I-10 West with his teammates for the third and fourth rounds of the Emerald Coast Classic this week. The Seminoles' team bus will pass through Washington County and his home of Chipley, Fla. Forrest was a star at Chipley High School as he scored more than 3,000 career points and earned All-State honors as one of the greatest players in Chipley history. Chipley is roughly 85 miles from Tallahassee and just over an hour from Niceville and the site of the ECC. It's safe to say that Forrest has been working on gathering tickets from his teammates since the Seminoles' were announced to be playing in the tournament during the Fall of 2018.

### FORREST CONTINUES TO MOVE CLOSER TO 1,000 CAREER POINTS

Senior Trent Forrest scored 12 points in Florida State's victory over Chicago State on Monday night – the fourth time in six games that he has scored in double figures this season. He enters Friday's game against No. 16/17 Tennessee with 857 career points and needs only 143 to become just the 48<sup>th</sup> player in school history to score 1,000 or more career points. One of the most prolific scorers in the history of basketball in the state of Florida, Forrest scored 3,103 career points as a high school star meaning he is approaching the 4,000 career point mark. In combining his high school (3,103 career points) and his college scoring total (857 career points), Forrest has scored 3,960 points and needs only 40 to reach 4,000 points for his prep and college career combined.

#### Breaking Down Forrest's Scoring Totals at Florida State

Season	Games	Points	PPG	Notes
2016-17	35	171	4.9	Season-high 13 points vs. Nicholls State
2017-18	34	269	7.9	Season-high 21 points vs. Boston College
2018-19	37	344	9.3	Career-high 23 points vs. Southeast Missouri
2019-20	6	73	12.2	Season-high 19 points at Pitt
Totals	112	857	7.7	Double figure scoring in 33 career games

### FORREST NAMED TO COUSY AWARD WATCH LIST

Trent Forrest, who was named to the 2019 NCAA Tournament All-West Regional Team in 2019, is on the 2020 Bob Cousy Award Watch List – an award which is presented annually by the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame to the nation's top collegiate point guard. Forrest is one of four point guards from the Atlantic Coast Conference on the list of 20 which will be narrowed down to five players in March as finalists for the award.

### FORREST NEARING TOP-10 FOR STEALS AND ASSISTS AT FLORIDA STATE

Senior Trent Forrest enters Friday's game against No. 16/17 Tennessee ranked ninth in school history with 175 career steals and 11<sup>th</sup> in school history with 359 career assists. He needs only two assists to move into a tie for 10<sup>th</sup> place in school history with 361 career assists. Should Forrest move into the top 10 for both categories, he will be only the fourth player in school history (Delvon Arrington, Bob Sura and Charles Ward) to rank in Florida State's top 10 for both steals AND assists.

### WITH 16 POINTS AGAINST CHICAGO STATE, VASSELL REGAINS TEAM SCORING LEAD

Sophomore Devin Vassell scored 16 points in Florida State's victory over Chicago State and moved into Florida State's team scoring lead with 74 points and a career-high 12.3 points per game scoring average. He scored his career-high of 17 points in Florida State's victory over Saint Francis (November 23) and has scored in double figures in five of the first six games of the season. Vassell is averaging nearly eight points more per game this season as compared to his freshman season and has already scored (through six games) in double figures as many times this season (five) as he did in 33 games as a freshman (five).

#### Breaking Down Vassell's Scoring Totals

Season	Games	Points	PPG	Notes
2019-20	6	74	12.3	Double figure scoring in five games
2018-19	33	149	4.5	Double figure scoring in five games
Improvement			+7.8	Double figure scoring in 10 games

### KEY TO VASSELL'S SCORING SUCCESS – SHOOTING THE BALL WELL FROM ALL OVER THE COURT

One of the many keys to the increased scoring success by Seminole sophomore Devin Vassell is his increased success shooting the basketball this season. He has increased his shooting percentages from all over the court – from the field and from the 3-point line – as he enters Friday's game against Tennessee as Florida State's leading scorer with a career-high 12.3 points per game scoring average. Vassell has increased his field goal shooting percentage by 14 percentage points and his 3-point shooting percentage by five percentage points.

#### Breaking Down Vassell's Shooting Success

Season	FG Pct.	3FG pct.	PPG	Notes
2019-20	.577	.467	12.3	Averaging a career-high 12.3 points scored per game
2018-19	.437	.419	4.5	Ranked ninth on the team with a 4.5 points per game scoring average
Improvement	+.140	+.048	+7.8	Team leader with his 12.3 points per game scoring average

### FRESHMAN WILLIAMS LEADS THE ACC IN FREE THROW SHOOTING PERCENTAGE

Freshman Patrick Williams enters Friday's game against No. 16/17 Tennessee as the ACC leader with a perfect 1,000 shooting mark (17 of 17) from the free throw line. He is averaging 2.8 free throws made and 2.8 free throws attempted in the first six games of his collegiate career.

#### Breaking Down Williams From The Free Throw Line

Opponent	FTM	FTA	Pct.	Notes
at Pitt	2	2	1.000	2 second half FT's pull Florida State to 62-61 with 8 seconds left
at Florida	0	0	.000	Scored all four of his points from the field
Western Carolina	7	7	1.000	2 of 2 FT with 16 seconds left to lift Florida State over Catamounts
Chattanooga	2	2	1.000	2 first half FT's help Florida State a 41-29 halftime lead
Saint Francis	2	2	1.000	2 of 2 FT's in first half lead Florida State to 38-36 intermission lead
Chicago State	4	4	1.000	4 of 4 FT's in second half as Florida State pulled away

### What's In A Seminoles' Name

**RayQuan Evans** – “My full name is RayQuan Ethan Evans. My dad took the name of one of the singers, Raekwon, from the 1990's band Wu Tang Clan, and put his own spin on the spelling for my first name. Ethan, from the Bible, came from my mom. The name Ethan means strong, firm and long-lived.”

**RaiQuan Gray** – “My full name is RaiQuan Kelvan Gray. I wasn't named after anyone specifically. My name means wisdom and power. All the children in my family have an R to begin their names – my sister, Raven and my brother, Rasheed. My middle name is similar to my dad's middle name which is Kelvin.”

**Anthony Polite** – “My full name is Anthony Michael Lewis Polite. Anthony comes from Saint Antonio (also known as Anthony of Lisbon) whose birthday was June 13, 1231. My grandmother was also born on June 13 and my mother really loved the name Anthony. My middle name, Michael, is from my dad and Lewis is after my mother's grandfather – my great-grandfather.”

**Trent Forrest** – “My full name is Landon Trent Forrest. I was named after the actor Michael Landon because my family really enjoyed him as an actor. Trent is not a family name – it was the chosen middle name for me by my parents and one that I preferred as a child. My oldest brother is named Lester Tremaine Forest (LTF) and my parents wanted to keep the same initials for me.”

**Balsa Koprivica** – “My name comes from the ancient Serbian King Balšić and his family. The Balšićs were a noble family that ruled from 1362 to 1421, during and after the fall of the Serbian Empire. Balsa also means strong and well built.”

**Malik Osborne** – “My full name is Malik James Osborne. Malik comes from a close friend of my father and James from my father.”

**M.J Walker** – “My full name is James Michael Walker, Jr. I am named after my father who is James Michael Walker, Sr.”

**Devin Vassell** – “My full name is Devin Anthony Vassell. I got my first name from my grandmother. My parents were going to name me Anthony, but my grandmother preferred Devin, so that's what my family went with.”

**Harrison Prieto** – “My full name is Harrison Hansbrough Prieto. I'm named after my great-grandfather, Peter Harrison Hansbrough, but my mom liked the named Harrison more than she did Peter, so she chose to name me Harrison.”

**Wyatt Wilkes** – “My full name is Wyatt David Wilkes. I'm not really named after anyone; my parents wanted a name that wasn't easily nicknamed and one that sounded original.”

### WILLIAMS AVERAGING IN DOUBLE FIGURES AS SEMINOLES FACE TENNESSEE

Freshman Patrick Williams enters Friday's game against Tennessee averaging 10.8 points per game – he is one of four Seminoles averaging in double figures through the first six games of the season. He has scored in double figures in three of the first six games of his career (including three of the last four) and is averaging 14.0 points scored per game in the last four games. Though he has not been in the starting lineup yet this season, he has been on the floor for the Seminoles at the end of the games at Pittsburgh (12 second half minutes played), at Florida (9 second half minutes played) and Western Carolina (13 second half minutes played) – all games whose outcomes came down to the final minutes of the games.

### Breaking Down Williams – Game By Game

Opponent	Minutes	Points	Rebounds	FTM-FTA	Notes
at Pitt	27	5	3	2-2	First career game – ACC and Overall
at Florida	16	4	5	0-0	First game against a nationally ranked team
Western Carolina	23	18	4	7-7	Tied for team high in scoring column
Chattanooga	20	16	3	2-2	One of five from FSU in double figure scoring
Saint Francis	22	6	5	2-2	Also 1 blocks, 1 steal and 1 assist
Chicago State	20	16	3	4-4	Tied for team high in scoring column

### POLITE PLAYING WELL AS A STARTER

Redshirt sophomore Anthony Polite has started each of the last three games for the Seminoles and will look to be in the starting lineup for the fourth consecutive game against Tennessee. He tied his career-high with nine points in the Seminoles' victory over Chicago State (November 25), pulled down his career-high of seven rebounds in Florida State's win over Saint Francis (November 23), totaled his career-high of five assists against Chicago State and earned his career-high of five steals against Saint Francis.

### Breaking Down Polite As A Starter

Opponent	Minutes	Points	Rebounds	Assists	Steals
Chattanooga	25	1	2	0	0
Saint Francis	29	8	7	2	5
Chicago State	15	9	4	5	3
Totals	69	18	13	7	8
Averages as a Starter	23.0	6.0	4.3	2.3	2.7
Averages as a Reserve	22.7	6.0	2.3	0.3	1.3

### OLEJNICZAK EARNS HIS WAY INTO THE SEMINOLES' STARTING LINEUP

Graduate transfer Dominik Olejniczak has started both of the last two games for the Seminoles in victories over Saint Francis and Chicago State. He played in his 100<sup>th</sup> career game in the Florida State's victory over Chicago State on Monday night in Tallahassee and has now started 43 games during his collegiate career.

### Breaking Down Olejniczak's Starting Assignments

Season	School	GP	GS	PPG	RPG	MPG
2015-16	Drake	30	8	6.5	4.1	16.4
2017-18	Ole Miss	32	11	4.3	2.6	14.1
2018-19	Ole Miss	33	22	4.3	3.2	18.3
2019-20	Florida State	5	2	4.4	2.6	9.6

### OLEJNICZAK AGAINST TENNESSEE

Graduate transfer Dominik Olejniczak will play against Tennessee for the fourth time in his career after transferring from Ole Miss of the SEC to Florida State of the ACC.

### OSBORNE CONTINUES TO BE A CONSTANT FOR THE SEMINOLES

Redshirt sophomore Malik Osborne, who is playing his first season at Florida State after transferring from Rice University, is one of just three Seminoles who has started all six games so far this season. He enters Friday's game against No. 16/17 Tennessee as the Seminoles' leading rebounder (34 rebounds / 5.7 rpg) and as the team's leader in blocked shots (seven blocked / 1.2 bpg). Osborne enters Friday's game against Tennessee averaging 6.8 points scored per game – he has scored in double figures twice (in victories over Florida and Chattanooga) and totaled nine rebounds in his first game as a Seminole at Pitt and in the Seminoles' victory over Western Carolina.

### Breaking Down Osborne Game By Game

Opponent	Pts	Rebs	Blocks	Notes
at Pitt	2	9	4	FSU leader in rebounds and blocked shots
at Florida	10	4	0	1 of 3 Seminoles in double figure scoring in victory
Western Carolina	6	9	1	FSU leader in rebounds and blocked shots
Chattanooga	10	3	0	1 of 5 Seminoles in double figure scoring in victory
Saint Francis	9	4	2	FSU leader in blocked shots
Chicago State	4	5	0	Perfect two of two shooting from the field

### OSBORNE USED TO HIS ROLE AS A STARTER

For redshirt sophomore Malik Osborne his role as a starter for the Seminoles is exactly what he is used to during his collegiate career. He is slated to start his 34<sup>th</sup> consecutive game on Friday against Tennessee in the semifinals of the Emerald Coast Classic. After beginning his career as a reserve in the first four games of his career at Rice, he started the final 27 games of the 2017-18 season for the Owls before transferring to play at Florida State.

### Breaking Down Osborn's Career

Season	School	GP	GS	PPG	RPG	Minutes
2017-18	Rice	31	27	9.0	6.5	27.1
2019-20	Florida State	6	6	6.8	5.7	22.3



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**Game Records**

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	5-1	4-0	1-1	0-0
CONFERENCE	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	5-0	4-0	1-0	0-0

**Score by Periods**

Team	1st	2nd	OT	TOT
Florida St.	240	245	0	485
Opponents	183	179	0	362

**Team Box Score**

No.	Player				Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds											
		GP-GS	MIN	AVG	FG-FGA	FG%	3FG-FGA	3FG%	FT-FTA	FT%	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	DQ	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG
24	VASSELL, Devin	6-6	143:01	23.8	30-52	.577	7-15	.467	7-11	.636	10	14	24	4.0	10	0	6	4	4	7	74	12.3
03	FORREST, Trent	6-6	172:16	28.7	24-57	.421	5-13	.385	20-23	.870	5	18	23	3.8	9	0	28	19	3	10	73	12.2
23	WALKER, M.J.	3-3	75:14	25.1	8-25	.320	4-13	.308	14-17	.824	0	12	12	4.0	8	0	3	3	1	1	34	11.3
4	WILLIAMS, Patrick	6-0	128:06	21.3	22-40	.550	4-11	.364	17-17	1.000	6	17	23	3.8	7	0	6	10	5	5	65	10.8
10	OSBORNE, Malik	6-6	133:45	22.3	16-32	.500	4-10	.400	5-6	.833	11	23	34	5.7	15	1	4	4	7	1	41	6.8
5	KOPRIVICA, Balsa	6-0	73:29	12.2	16-20	.800	0-0	.000	7-12	.583	9	11	20	3.3	13	1	1	6	2	2	39	6.5
13	POLITE, Anthony	6-3	137:02	22.8	11-31	.355	7-19	.368	7-8	.875	3	17	20	3.3	5	0	8	13	3	12	36	6.0
01	GRAY, RaiQuan	4-3	83:36	20.9	6-18	.333	1-8	.125	11-14	.786	5	12	17	4.3	10	1	6	7	1	2	24	6.0
11	JACK, Nathanael	4-0	40:19	10.1	7-16	.438	7-16	.438	2-2	1.000	1	7	8	2.0	5	0	5	3	0	1	23	5.8
31	WILKES, Wyatt	6-1	65:50	11.0	9-22	.409	6-19	.316	3-3	1.000	4	5	9	1.5	5	0	4	2	1	3	27	4.5
15	OLEJNICZAK, Dominik	5-2	48:12	9.6	9-14	.643	0-0	.000	4-4	1.000	8	5	13	2.6	10	0	0	5	3	0	22	4.4
0	EVANS, RayQuan	4-0	55:23	13.8	4-10	.400	0-3	.000	8-10	.800	1	1	2	0.5	4	0	9	3	0	5	16	4.0
12	LINDNER, Justin	3-0	09:51	3.3	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	0	3	3	1.0	2	0	2	3	0	0	4	1.3
20	LIGHT, Travis	3-0	07:37	2.5	1-2	.500	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1.0
33	MILES, Will	3-0	07:37	2.5	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	0.3	2	0	1	1	0	0	2	0.7
30	PRIETO, Harrison	4-0	15:10	3.8	1-3	.333	0-1	.000	0-2	.000	1	3	4	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.5
42	YATES, Cleveland	3-0	03:31	1.2	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team											5	8	13									
<b>Total</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>1200</b>		<b>166-346</b>	<b>.480</b>	<b>46-130</b>	<b>.354</b>	<b>107-131</b>	<b>.817</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>37.7</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>80.8</b>
<b>Opponents</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>1200</b>		<b>119-326</b>	<b>.365</b>	<b>39-131</b>	<b>.298</b>	<b>85-118</b>	<b>.720</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>30.7</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>60.3</b>

**Team Statistics**

	FSU	OPP
<b>Scoring</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>362</b>
Points per game	80.8	60.3
Scoring margin	+20.5	-
<b>Field goals-att</b>	<b>166-346</b>	<b>119-326</b>
Field goal pct	.480	.365
<b>3 point fg-att</b>	<b>46-130</b>	<b>39-131</b>
3-point FG pct	.354	.298
3-pt FG made per game	7.7	6.5
<b>Free throws-att</b>	<b>107-131</b>	<b>85-118</b>
Free throw pct	.817	.720
F-Throws made per game	17.8	14.2
<b>Rebounds</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>184</b>
Rebounds per game	37.7	30.7
Rebounding margin	+7.0	-
<b>Assists</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>47</b>
Assists per game	13.8	7.8
<b>Turnovers</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>102</b>
Turnovers per game	13.8	17.0
Turnover margin	+3.2	-
Assist/turnover ratio	1.0	0.5
<b>Steals</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>34</b>
Steals per game	8.2	5.7
<b>Blocks</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>14</b>
Blocks per game	5.0	2.3
<b>Winning streak</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-</b>
Home win streak	4	-
<b>Attendance</b>	<b>30759</b>	<b>19867</b>
Home games-Avg/Game	4-7690	2-9934
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0

**Team Results**

Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
11/06/2019	at Pittsburgh	L	61-63	9016
11/10/2019	at Florida	W	63-51	10851
11/15/2019	Western Caro.	W	79-74	9490
11/20/2019	Chattanooga	W	89-53	7572
11/23/2019	Saint Francis (PA)	W	80-65	7595
11/25/2019	Chicago St.	W	113-56	6102







6-4, 210, Senior, Chipley, Fla.

**2019-20 Season**

- \* On the Watch List for the Bob Cousy Award presented to the nation's top point guard.
- \* A pre-season All-ACC Second-Team selection by the voting media at Operation ACC Basketball.
- \* A team captain as named by Head Coach Leonard Hamilton and his staff.
- \* Florida State's undisputed team leader and starting point guard for the second consecutive season.
- \* Scored a game-high 19 points in Florida State's season opener at Pitt
- \* Totaled 8 points and a game-high 7 rebounds in Florida State's victory at No. 6 Florida in Gainesville
- \* Scored 16 points to go along with 2 rebounds, 2 assists and 1 steal in Florida State's win over Western Carolina

**2018-19 Season**

- \* Averaged a career-high 9.3 points (third on the team), 4.5 rebounds (fourth), 3.7 assists (first) and a career-high 1.9 steals (first) as Florida State's starting point guard.
- \* Named to the NCAA Tournament All-West Regional Tournament team in leading FSU to the NCAA Sweet 16
- \* Career-high 23 points with 8 rebounds, 4 assists and 3 steals in Florida State's victory over Southeast Missouri
- \* Totaled 10 points, 6 rebounds and 3 assists in Florida State's victory over No. 2 Virginia in the ACC Tournament
- \* Totaled 20 points, 5 rebounds, 4 assists and 3 steals in Florida State's Sweet 16 game against Gonzaga in the NCAA Tournament

**2017-18 Season**

- \* Averaged 7.9 points (fifth) and 3.9 assists (first) as he played in 34 games with two starts
- \* Named to the 2018 All-ACC Academic Men's Basketball Team and the 2018 ACC Honor Roll
- \* Career-high 21 points and first career double-double of 21 points and 10 rebounds against Boston Col. on March 3
- \* Totaled 16 points and 4 assists came in Florida State's overtime win over Clemson on Feb. 14
- \* Totaled 16 points to go along with 7 assists and 3 steals in 32 minutes against NC State
- \* Totaled 14 points, 5 rebounds, 4 steals and 3 assists in Florida State's victory over Xavier in the NCAA Tournament

**2016-17 Season**

- \* Averaged 4.9 points (tied for seventh), 2.7 rebounds (seventh) and 1.2 steals (first) as he played in all 35 games
- \* Named to the 2017 ACC All-Academic Men's Basketball Team
- \* Totaled his season-high of 13 points and 6 rebounds in Florida State's victory over Nicholls State on Dec. 8
- \* Double figures for the first time in his career with 10 points and 3 rebounds in Florida State's win over Iona

**On Forrest**

- \* A consensus top 50 prep player who was ranked 45th among all prep players by ESPN.com entering college with the class of 2016
- \* Ranked as the seventh best player in the state of Florida, the 11th best shooting guard in the nation, the 48th best player in the country and was a four-star player by Sports Illustrated
- \* Ranked as the 62nd best high school player in the nation by Scout.com
- \* A strong athlete on the wing who is an outstanding athlete and a stellar defender

**2019-20 Game-By-Game Statistics -- Trent Forrest**

Date	Opponent	G-GS	Min	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	O-D	Rebs	PF	A	TO	B	S	Pts
N6	* at Pittsburgh	1-1	39	8-16	.500	1-3	.333	2-3	.667	0-2	2	2	2	5	1	2	19
N10	at Florida	2-2	31	1-7	.143	1-3	.333	5-6	.833	3-5	8	1	7	4	0	1	8
N15	Western Carolina	3-3	32	5-14	.357	1-3	.333	5-5	1.000	1-1	2	4	2	1	0	1	16
N20	Chattanooga	4-4	30	2-4	.500	0-1	.000	1-2	.500	0-4	4	1	7	4	2	1	5
N23	St. Francis (Pa.)	5-5	26	3-7	.429	0-1	.000	7-7	1.000	1-4	5	1	4	3	0	2	13
N25	Chicago State	6-6	15	5-8	.625	2-2	1.000	0-0	.000	0-2	2	0	6	2	0	3	12
N29	vs. Tennessee																
N30	vs. Purdue/VCU																
D3	at Indiana																
D8	* Clemson																
D17	North Florida																
D21	vs. USF																
D28	North Alabama																
D31	* Georgia Tech																
J4	* at Louisville																
J8	* at Wake Forest																
J15	* Virginia																
J18	* at Miami																
J25	* Notre Dame																
J28	* at Virginia																
F1	* at Virginia Tech																
F3	* North Carolina																
F8	* Miami																
F10	* at Duke																
F15	* Syracuse																
F18	* Pittsburgh																
F22	* at NC State																
F24	* Louisville																
F29	* at Clemson																
M4	* at Notre Dame																
M7	* Boston College																

**Trent Forrest's Career Highs**

PTS .....23 vs. Southeast Missouri (12-17-18)

FGM .....8 at Pitt (11-6-19)

.....8 vs. Gonzaga (3-28-19)

.....8 vs. Southeast Missouri (12-17-18)

.....8 vs. Boston College (3-3-18)

FGA .....16 at Pitt (11-6-19)

FG% .....857 vs. Nicholls State (12-8-16)

.....857 vs. Detroit Mercy (11-20-16)

3FGM .....2 vs. Chicago State (11-25-19)

3FGA .....4 vs. Southeast Missouri (12-17-18)

3FG% .....1.000 vs. Chicago State (11-25-19)

.....1.000 vs. Nicholls State (12-8-16)

FTM .....11 at Pitt (1-14-19)

FTA .....12 at Pitt (1-14-19)

FT% .....1.000 vs. 13 Teams

.....Last vs. Saint Francis (11-23-19)

OR .....6 at Duke (2-28-17)

DR .....11 vs. UAB (11-22-18)

REBS .....11 vs. UAB (11-22-18)

.....11 vs. Syracuse (1-13-18)

AST .....12 vs. Southern Miss (12-21-17)

BLK .....2 vs. 4 teams

.....Last vs. Chattanooga (11-20-19)

STL .....5 vs. Louisville (2-9-19)

.....5 vs. UConn (12-8-18)

MIN .....40 vs. Syracuse (1-13-18)

underlined denotes career high established or tied during 2019-20 season

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Trent Forrest became just the third player in FSU history to be named to the NCAA All-Region Team in 2019. Phil Cofer and Terance Mann were named to the All-West Regional Team in 2018.











7-0, Graduate, Torun, Poland (Pronounced: DOM-A-Nick Ole'-knee-Chuck)

2019-20 Season (at Florida State)

- \* Playing his final season of eligibility after transferring to Florida State from Ole Miss as a graduate transfer.
- \* Only the third graduate transfer at Florida State following the footsteps of Jeff Peterson (2012) and David Nichols (2019). Both Peterson and Nichols helped lead the Seminoles to the NCAA Tournament.
- \* Comes to Florida State after one season at Drake (2015-16) and two seasons at Ole Miss (2017-18 and 2018-19)
- \* Made his Florida State debut with 2 rebounds in 7 minutes of play in Florida State's win at Florida in Gainesville
- \* Scored his Florida State high of 10 points in the Seminoles' victory over Chattanooga in Tallahassee

2018-19 Season (At Ole Miss)

- \* Averaged 5.3 points (seventh on the team), 3.0 rebounds (fifth), a career-high and team-leading 0.9 blocked shots (first) and shot a team leading .575 from the field as he played in all 33 games at Ole Miss.
- \* Established career-highs for games played (33), games started (22), assists (23), blocked shots (30), steals (17), minutes played (603) and average minutes played per game (16.3).
- \* Led the Rebels to the NCAA Tournament with a 20-13 overall record and a 10-8 record in SEC play.

2017-18 Season (At Ole Miss)

- \* Averaged 4.3 points (eighth on the team), 2.6 rebounds (sixth) and 0.6 blocked shots (fourth) while playing in all 32 games for the Rebels.
- \* Started 11 games for the Rebels in his first season of eligibility in Oxford.
- \* Shot .531 from the field as he continued to display his field goal shooting prowess.

2016-17 (at Ole Miss)

- \* Sat out the season at Ole Miss as a redshirt due to NCAA transfer regulations...practiced but did not travel with the Rebels during the season.

2015-16 Season

- \* Averaged a career-high 6.5 points (fourth on the team), a career-high 4.1 rebounds (third) and 0.7 blocked shots (first) in helping Drake to a 7-24 overall record.
- \* Drake is a member of the Missouri Valley Conference.
- \* Played in 30 of the Bulldogs 31 games and averaged 16.4 minutes played per game.
- \* Shot a career-high .722 from the field and was only 18 field goals made short of establishing the Drake school record for best field goal percentage in a single season.

On Olejniczak

- \* Olejniczak is working towards earning his Master's degree in International Affairs at Florida State.
- \* Named to the National Team of Poland for competition in the FIBA World Cup of Basketball in China on August 30, 2019.
- \* Poland advanced to the quarterfinals and earned an eighth place standing with a 5-3 record.
- \* Averaged 1.6 points, 1.4 rebounds and 0.2 assists as he played in six of Poland's eight games in the tournament.

2019-20 Game-By-Game Statistics -- Dominik Olejniczak

Date	Opponent	G-GS	Min	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	O-D	Rebs	PF	A	TO	B	S	Pts
N6	* at Pittsburgh	DNP															
N10	at Florida	1-0	7	0-1	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	1-1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
N15	Western Carolina	2-0	4	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
N20	Chattanooga	3-0	8	5-6	.833	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2-1	3	1	0	0	0	0	10
N23	St. Francis (Pa.)	4-1	13	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	4-0	4	2	0	2	1	0	4
N25	Chicago State	5-2	16	3-4	.750	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	1-3	4	2	0	2	2	0	8
N29	vs. Tennessee																
N30	vs. Purdue/VCU																
D3	at Indiana																
D8	* Clemson																
D17	North Florida																
D21	vs. USF																
D28	North Alabama																
D31	* Georgia Tech																
J4	* at Louisville																
J8	* at Wake Forest																
J15	* Virginia																
J18	* at Miami																
J25	* Notre Dame																
J28	* at Virginia																
F1	* at Virginia Tech																
F3	* North Carolina																
F8	* Miami																
F10	* at Duke																
F15	* Syracuse																
F18	* Pittsburgh																
F22	* at NC State																
F24	* Louisville																
F29	* at Clemson																
M4	* at Notre Dame																
M7	* Boston College																

**Dominik Olejniczak's Career Highs**  
 PTS ..... 19 vs. Loyola (2-17-16)\*  
 FGM ..... 9 vs. Missouri State (3-3-16)\*  
 FGA ..... 13 at Texas (1-27-18)\*\*  
 ..... 13 vs. Missouri State (3-3-16)\*  
 FG% ..... 1.000 vs. 13 Teams  
 ..... Last vs. Oklahoma (3-22-19)\*\*  
 3FGM .....  
 3FGA .....  
 3FG% .....  
 FTM ..... 9 vs. Auburn (1-9-19)\*\*  
 FTA ..... 12 vs. Auburn (1-9-19)\*\*  
 FT% ..... 1.000 vs. 16 Teams  
 ..... Last vs. Chicago State (11-25-19)\*\*\*  
 OR ..... 6 at Auburn (1-9-19)\*\*  
 DR ..... 11 vs. Simpson College (11-13-15)\*  
 REBS ..... 12 vs. Simpson College (11-13-15)\*  
 AST ..... 3 vs. Oklahoma (3-22-19)\*\*  
 BLK ..... 6 vs. Loyola (2-17-16)\*  
 STL ..... 3 vs. Chattanooga (12-16-18)\*\*  
 ..... 3 at Auburn (1-9-18)\*\*  
 MIN ..... 34 vs. Loyola (2-27-16)\*  
 underlined denotes career high established or tied during 2019-20 season  
 \* - Denotes at Drake (2015-16)  
 \*\* - Denotes at Ole Miss (2017-18, 2018-19)  
 \*\*\* - Denotes at Florida State (2019-20)

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Dominik Olejniczak helped lead Poland to an 8th place finish in the 2019 FIBA World Championships. It was his first time playing his national team from Poland in competition

















## Exhibition 1 -- Florida State 95, Barry 66

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. -- Florida State's exhibition opener provided a glimpse of what lies ahead for the Seminoles -- both in the upcoming season and beyond. It also showed coach Leonard Hamilton a few things he'd like for his team to tighten up between now and the Seminoles' season opener on November 6. So, in that sense, it was a near-perfect evening for FSU, which got 19 points and five assists from senior Trent Forrest in a 95-66 victory over Barry University at the Donald L. Tucker Center. Forrest, the central figure for an FSU team that lost its top two scorers from a year ago, was one of six Seminoles to finish in double-figures. Anthony Polite added 18 -- including 16 in the second half -- while RaiQuan Gray (10 points) and newcomers Patrick Williams (12, nine rebounds), Nathanael Jack (10), Dominik Olejniczak (10 points, seven rebounds) and Malik Osborne (seven points, seven boards) all enjoyed productive outings.

## Florida State 95, Barry University 66 Donald L. Tucker Center

Oct. 22, 2019

Barry	Min	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	Reb	F	A	T	B	S	Pts.
Walsh	21	0-3	0-2	6-8	0-1	1	2	0	1	0	0	6
Moya	17	2-7	1-5	0-1	0-3	3	1	2	3	0	1	5
Birts	20	1-4	1-1	4-4	3-2	5	2	0	4	1	1	7
Allende	17	0-5	0-3	0-0	0-2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0
Dolven	24	1-4	0-0	1-3	2-3	5	4	1	2	0	0	3
Perez	21	4-8	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	4	1	2	0	2	8
Sheffield	7	2-3	2-2	0-0	1-2	3	0	2	0	0	0	6
Marcinekvisius	3	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kakar	18	4-8	2-4	2-2	2-1	3	1	0	4	0	0	12
Scorbinskis	26	4-7	4-5	2-3	1-1	2	2	0	1	1	1	14
Mikyska	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	1	2	0	2	0	0	0
Dean	9	0-6	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	1	1	3	0	1	0
Mejia	8	1-5	1-4	2-2	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	5
<b>Team</b>				<b>0-4</b>	<b>4</b>							
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>19-60</b>	<b>11-27</b>	<b>17-24</b>	<b>10-20</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>66</b>

Fl. State	Min	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	Reb	F	A	T	B	S	Pts.
Gray	26	4-6	2-3	0-1	0-4	4	2	4	4	0	4	10
Polite	22	7-9	3-4	1-1	0-2	2	3	0	0	1	3	18
Forrest	21	7-10	0-1	5-6	1-2	3	1	5	3	1	1	19
Williams	18	5-10	0-3	2-2	1-8	9	2	0	3	1	0	12
Olejniczak	16	5-5	0-0	0-0	2-3	5	1	0	2	0	0	10
Osborne	26	2-8	0-3	3-4	4-3	7	3	0	2	2	1	7
Jack	24	3-12	3-13	1-2	4-3	7	4	0	1	0	0	10
Lindner	16	0-0	0-0	0-2	0-1	1	2	3	2	0	0	1
Prieto	5	0-1	0-0	1-2	1-0	1	1	0	2	0	0	1
Wilkes	18	3-9	2-7	0-0	2-4	6	2	0	1	0	0	8
Light	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Miles	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-2	3	2	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Team</b>				<b>0-3</b>	<b>3</b>							
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>36-70</b>	<b>10-31</b>	<b>13-20</b>	<b>16-35</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>95</b>

FG% - Barry, .317, Florida State, .514. 3FG% - Barry, .407, Florida State, .323. FT% - Barry, .708, Florida State, .650. Technical Fouls: Barry -- None. Florida State -- None. Referees - Ray Styns, Les Jones, Anthony Burris

Barry	21	45	-	66
Florida State	27	58	-	95

## Exhibition 2 -- Florida State 84, Columbus State 54

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. -- In its final exhibition game before regular season play begins at Pittsburgh, Florida State earned an 84-54 victory over Columbus State at the Donald L. Tucker Civic Center. Sophomore Devin Vassell led three Seminoles in double figures with 18 points. Also in double figures were Anthony Polite with 16 points and freshman Patrick Williams with 10. The game saw some familiar faces returning to the court after missing Florida State's exhibition victory over Barry. Both M.J. Walker and Devin Vassell made their highly anticipated season debuts and came back with a vengeance. Walker, who started and played nine first half minutes, totaled six points on two made 3-point shots. Vassell totaled 18 points (three-of-three three-pointers) and finished with six rebounds.

## Florida State 84, Columbus State Donald L. Tucker Center

Nov. 1, 2019

Columbus	Min	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	Reb	F	A	T	B	S	Pts.
Thomas	19	0-5	0-3	0-0	0-1	1	1	1	2	0	0	0
Givens	21	6-12	2-7	2-3	0-1	1	0	1	7	0	1	16
Taylor	21	2-7	0-4	0-0	0-1	1	1	2	1	0	0	4
Paulding	23	0-1	0-0	0-2	0-3	3	0	0	0	3	0	0
Moore	24	2-3	0-0	2-4	0-2	2	0	1	1	0	0	6
Horton, L	26	5-13	1-6	4-2	1-2	3	2	2	3	0	0	15
Preston	16	2-3	0-0	1-0	1-4	5	1	1	0	0	0	5
Porter-Wilson	14	1-3	0-0	0-0	1-1	2	2	2	0	0	0	2
Horton, C.	8	1-3	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	0	0	0	3
David, Jr.	6	0-3	0-2	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0
Ivey	4	1-2	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
Jedenski	4	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jones	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Kemp	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gaines	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Team</b>				<b>0-0</b>	<b>2</b>							
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>20-56</b>	<b>5-28</b>	<b>9-13</b>	<b>3-18</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>54</b>

Fl. State	Min	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	Reb	F	A	T	B	S	Pts.
Gray	20	1-4	0-0	2-2	2-6	7	0	3	3	0	3	4
Forrest	28	1-5	0-2	0-0	0-3	3	2	7	2	0	2	2
Osborne	20	3-11	0-0	1-1	2-6	10	0	0	1	0	0	7
Walker	10	2-6	2-6	0-0	1-0	1	2	0	2	0	0	6
Vassell	23	7-9	3-3	1-1	1-5	6	2	0	2	2	0	18
Williams	23	5-11	0-2	0-0	3-1	4	1	1	3	0	1	10
Koprivica	19	4-5	0-0	0-0	5-6	11	3	1	2	0	0	8
Polite	25	5-9	2-4	4-4	0-1	1	2	2	2	0	3	16
Jack	15	2-8	1-6	0-0	1-0	1	0	3	2	0	1	5
Wilkes	14	2-5	1-3	1-2	4-2	6	0	1	0	0	1	6
Lindner	2	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Light	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prieto	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
<b>Team</b>				<b>2-3</b>	<b>5</b>							
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>33-74</b>	<b>9-26</b>	<b>9-10</b>	<b>22-34</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>84</b>

FG% - Columbus State, .357, Florida State, .446. 3FG% - Columbus State, .179, Florida State, .346. FT% - Columbus State, .692, Florida State, .900. Technical Fouls: Columbus State -- None. Florida State -- None. Referees - Lee Cassell, Jemel Spearman, Kellen Milner

Columbus State	29	55	-	54
Florida State	41	43	-	84

## Game 1 -- Pitt 63, Florida State 61

PITTSBURGH, Pa. -- Reserves Ryan Murphy and Terrell Brown scored 13 points to lead Pitt to a 63-61 win over Florida State in the season opener for both teams. The Panthers won despite shooting just 31 percent (16 of 51) from the field. Pitt survived by getting into the lane relentlessly against the bigger Seminoles, an approach that helped them outscore Florida State 22-13 at the free throw line. Senior guard Trent Forrest led Florida State with 19 points. Devin Vassell added 14 but the Seminoles couldn't survive 14 turnovers and 27 fouls. RaiQuan Gray, Malik Osborne and Balsa Koprivica all fouled out for Florida State. Florida State went up 40-31 on a layup by Osborne with 13:37 to play. The Panthers, however, responded. The Seminoles had a chance to tie it at the end of regulation but Patrick Williams missed a jumper with two seconds to go. Anthony Polite grabbed the offensive rebound but couldn't get a shot off before the buzzer. Florida State shot 40 percent (21 of 53) from the floor.

## Pitt 63, Florida State 61 Petersen Events Center

Nov. 6, 2019

Fl. State	Min	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	Reb	F	A	T	B	S	Pts.
Gray	27	3-6	0-2	1-2	2-1	3	5	2	1	0	0	7
Osborne	23	1-4	0-2	0-0	2-7	9	5	0	1	4	0	2
Forrest	39	8-16	1-3	2-3	0-2	2	2	2	5	1	2	19
Walker	16	0-4	0-2	4-4	0-5	5	4	0	0	0	0	4
Vassell	21	6-7	2-2	0-0	2-0	2	2	1	1	0	0	14
Polite	25	2-10	2-6	2-2	1-3	4	3	0	3	0	1	8
Williams	27	1-5	1-2	2-2	0-2	2	1	0	1	1	0	5
Koprivica	6	0-0	0-0	2-2	1-0	1	5	0	1	0	0	2
Wilkes	8	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	2	0	1	0	0	1	0
Jack	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prieto	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Team</b>				<b>1-2</b>	<b>3</b>							
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>21-53</b>	<b>6-20</b>	<b>13-15</b>	<b>13-24</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>61</b>

Pitt	Min	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	Reb	F	A	T	B	S	Pts.
Hamilton	18	2-2	0-0	2-3	3-0	3	1	0	0	0	0	6
Drumgoole, Jr.	20	0-4	0-3	0-0	0-1	1	1	1	2	0	0	0
Johnson	38	3-11	2-4	5-8	0-6	6	3	1	2	0	2	13
McGowens	34	2-6	2-5	4-6	1-6	7	4	5	6	0	1	10
Toney	13	0-7	0-3	0-0	2-0	2	1	1	0	0	1	0
Browne	22	4-5	0-0	5-6	2-1	3	2	0	0	0	0	13
Murphy	31	3-7	3-6	4-4	1-3	4	1	3	2	0	0	13
Champagnie	23	2-9	2-5	2-4	2-4	6	3	0	0	0	0	8
<b>Team</b>				<b>2-3</b>	<b>5</b>				<b>1</b>			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>16-51</b>	<b>9-26</b>	<b>22-31</b>	<b>13-24</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>63</b>

FG% - Florida State, .396, Pitt, .314. 3FG% - Florida State, .300, Pitt, .346. FT% - Florida State, .867, Pitt, .710. Technical Fouls: Florida State -- Walker. Pitt -- Champagnie. Referees - Ted Valentine, Mike Stephens, Tony Henderson

Florida State	25	36	-	61
Pitt	25	38	-	63

## Game 2 -- Florida State 63, Florida 51

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Fl. State	Min	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	Reb	F	A	T	B	S	Pts.
Gray	17	1-4	0-1	2-2	1-1	2	1	1	2	1	0	4
Osborne	25	2-2	0-0	2-3	4-5	9	2	1	1	1	0	6
Forrest	32	5-14	1-3	5-5	1-1	2	4	2	1	0	1	16
Walker	26	5-11	3-6	5-7	0-4	4	3	2	1	1	0	18
Vassell	32	4-9	0-3	2-4	1-4	5	2	2	1	1	0	10
Evans	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Polite	24	1-4	1-4	0-0	0-2	2	0	1	2	1	2	3
Williams	22	5-8	1-2	7-7	1-3	4	0	1	2	0	0	18
Koprivica	10	2-2	0-0	0-0	1-1	2	3	0	3	1	0	4
Wilkes	2	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Olejniczak	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0
<b>Team</b>				<b>0-2</b>	<b>2</b>							
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>25-55</b>	<b>6-20</b>	<b>23-28</b>	<b>9-23</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>79</b>

FG% - Western Carolina, .450, Florida State, .455. 3FG% - Western Carolina, .391, Florida State, .300. FT% - Western Carolina, .786, Florida State, .821. Technical Fouls: Western Carolina -- None. Florida State -- None. Referees - Mark Schnur, Lamar Simpson, Jermy Mosier

Western Carolina	43	31	-	74
Florida State	36	43	-	79

### Game 4 -- Florida State 89, Chattanooga 53

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. -- Devin Vassell scored a career-high 17 points and pulled down a career-high eight rebounds while Patrick Williams added 16 points as Florida State cruised to an 89-53 rout of Chattanooga. Ole Miss graduate transfer Dominik Olejniczak scored his first points at Florida State, going five for six from the floor for 10 points and grabbed three rebounds. The Seminoles shot 34 of 65 (52.3%) from the floor. David Jean-Baptiste had 15 points for Chattanooga. Rod Johnson had 11 points and six rebounds for the Mocs, who shot 23 of 59 (39%).

### Florida State 89, Chattanooga 53 Donald L. Tucker Center

Nov. 20, 2019

UTC	Min	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	Reb	F	A	T	B	S	Pts.
Johnson	25	5-13	1-6	0-0	1-5	6	0	1	1	1	0	11
Vila	26	4-6	0-0	0-0	0-2	2	2	1	0	2	0	8
Ryan	25	3-6	3-6	1-2	1-1	2	4	0	2	1	1	10
Jean-Baptiste	28	7-13	0-4	1-4	0-4	4	0	1	5	0	0	15
Commander	30	1-6	0-2	0-0	0-2	2	2	3	0	0	1	2
Scott	14	0-2	0-0	0-0	1-1	2	3	1	2	0	0	0
Doomes	12	1-3	0-1	0-0	1-3	4	3	0	3	0	0	2
Caldwell	11	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Brown	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-3	3	0	0	0	1	1	0
Ledford	10	1-4	0-2	0-0	2-0	2	2	0	3	0	0	2
Obidiebube	4	0-3	0-0	0-0	2-0	2	1	0	0	0	1	0
Tostado	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Smith	1	1-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
<b>Team</b>				<b>0-0</b>	<b>0</b>							
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>23-59</b>	<b>5-24</b>	<b>2-6</b>	<b>8-22</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>53</b>

Fl. State	Min	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	Reb	F	A	T	B	S	Pts.
Osborne	20	4-10	1-3	1-1	0-3	3	1	2	1	0	0	10
Wilkes	15	2-5	1-4	0-0	1-1	2	0	0	1	0	1	5
Polite	25	0-4	0-3	1-2	0-2	2	1	0	1	0	0	1
Forrest	30	2-4	0-1	1-2	0-4	4	1	7	4	2	1	5
Vassell	26	6-10	3-5	2-2	3-5	8	1	1	1	2	1	17
Evans	14	0-1	0-0	4-6	0-0	0	0	2	1	0	4	4
Williams	20	6-10	2-3	2-2	1-2	3	0	3	0	0	2	16
Koprivica	12	5-6	0-0	0-2	3-4	7	1	1	0	1	0	10
Jack	14	2-5	2-5	0-0	1-4	5	1	1	1	0	0	6
Olejniczak	8	5-6	0-0	0-0	2-1	3	1	0	0	0	1	10
Lindner	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	2	1	0	0	0
Light	3	1-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Prieto	3	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Miles	3	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Yates	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Team</b>				<b>0-2</b>	<b>2</b>							
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>34-65</b>	<b>10-25</b>	<b>11-17</b>	<b>11-30</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>89</b>

FG% - Chattanooga, .390, Florida State, .523. 3FG% - Chattanooga, .208, Florida State, .400. FT% - Chattanooga, .333, Florida State, .647. Technical Fouls: Chattanooga -- None. Florida State -- None. Referees - Ted Valentine, Brian Dorsey, Joff Pon

Chattanooga	29	24	-	53
Florida State	41	48	-	89

### Game 5 -- Florida State 80, Saint Francis 65

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. -- Wyatt Wilkes scored a career-high 14 points while Trent Forrest added 13 points and five rebounds as Florida State defeated Saint Francis (Pa.) 80-65. A redshirt sophomore, Wilkes had scored just five points in four games this season before turning in an unexpected five of seven performance from the floor against the Red Flash. Wilkes also knocked down 3-of-5 3-pointers. Myles Thompson scored a career-high 23 points, knocking down 9 of 12 shots for Saint Francis. Thompson came into the game averaging eight points. Forrest was 7 of 7 at the free-throw line as the Seminoles continued to impress by going 15 of 17 at the charity stripe. Florida State came into the game as the only ACC team shooting better than 75 percent from the free-throw line. Freshman center Balsa Koprivica has had back-to-back double-digit scoring games, finishing with 11 points on 5 of 6 shooting versus the Red Flash. Florida State won its 35th straight non-conference home game, a streak that dates nearly five years.

### Florida State 80, Saint Francis (Pa.) 65 Donald L. Tucker Center

Nov. 23, 2019

SFU	Min	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	Reb	F	A	T	B	S	Pts.
Thompson	31	9-12	4-5	1-1	0-4	4	1	0	3	0	1	23
Kuzavas	19	0-2	0-0	0-0	1-1	2	4	0	1	1	0	0
Meredith	28	1-8	1-6	0-0	0-1	1	2	2	3	0	0	3
Gaskins	24	2-3	1-2	2-2	0-2	2	3	1	2	0	2	7
Braxton	35	2-9	1-4	8-8	1-4	5	2	3	5	0	1	13
Stewart	24	5-15	2-4	2-2	2-2	4	0	1	2	1	2	14
Flagg	16	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	3	0	1	1	0	0
Dixon-Conver	13	0-2	0-0	0-0	1-1	2	1	1	4	0	1	0
Lasky	4	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Ikediashi	2	0-0	0-0	3-4	1-1	2	1	0	0	0	0	3
Labriola	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Henry	1	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
<b>Team</b>				<b>3-0</b>	<b>3</b>							
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>20-54</b>	<b>9-22</b>	<b>16-17</b>	<b>10-17</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>65</b>

Fl. State	Min	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	Reb	F	A	T	B	S	Pts.
Osborne	24	3-7	3-5	0-0	1-3	4	2	0	1	2	0	9
Olejniczak	13	1-3	0-0	2-2	4-0	4	2	0	2	1	0	4
Polite	29	3-6	2-4	0-0	1-6	7	0	2	5	1	5	8
Forrest	26	3-7	0-1	7-7	1-4	5	1	4	3	0	2	13
Vassell	17	2-4	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	4	1	0	0	1	4
Williams	22	2-6	0-2	2-2	1-4	5	1	1	5	1	1	6
Koprivica	22	5-6	0-0	1-3	2-1	3	0	0	0	0	2	11
Evans	17	2-5	0-1	2-2	1-1	2	1	5	0	0	0	6
Wilkes	16	5-7	3-5	1-1	1-1	2	1	0	1	0	0	14
Jack	9	1-5	1-5	0-0	0-1	1	1	2	2	0	0	3
Prieto	2	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Lindner	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Light	1	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miles	1	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Yates	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Team</b>				<b>2-1</b>	<b>3</b>							
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>28-60</b>	<b>9-25</b>	<b>15-17</b>	<b>15-23</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>80</b>

FG% - Saint Francis, .370, Florida State, .467. 3FG% - Saint Francis, .409, Florida State, .360. FT% - Saint Francis, .941, Florida State, .862. Technical Fouls: Saint Francis -- None. Florida State -- None. Referees - Mike Roberts, Jerry Heater, Earl Walton

Saint Francis	36	29	-	65
Florida State	48	32	-	80

### Game 6 -- Florida State 113, Chicago State 56

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. -- Devin Vassell and Patrick Williams scored 16 points apiece as Florida State had its best shooting night of the year in a 113-56 win over Chicago State. Nathanael Jack added 14 points for the Seminoles, who shot 73.3% in the first half as they took a 65-29 lead at the break. Andrew Lewis scored 18 points for Chicago State (3-4). Trent Forrest scored 12 points for Florida State, which finished 38 of 58 (65.5%) from the floor. Balsa Koprivica and RaiQuan Gray each had seven rebounds for Florida State, which won the rebounding battle 43-20. This was the first time the Seminoles scored 100 points in regulation since a 113-78 win over The Citadel on Nov. 24, 2017. Twelve Seminoles scored points in one of the more dominating victories in school history. Florida State's 57-point margin of victory was just outside the top five in school history.

### Florida State 113, Chicago State 56 Donald L. Tucker Center

Nov. 25, 2019

Chi. St.	Min	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	Reb	F	A	T	B	S	Pts.
Jones	17	0-3	0-1	2-2	1-0	1	5	0	2	0	2	2
Colley	26	3-8	0-1	0-4	1-1	2	4	0	1	0	1	6
Hunt	31	5-6	0-0	0-1	2-2	5	2	0	3	0	1	10
lewis	26	5-13	2-3	6-7	0-2	2	2	0	3	0	1	18
Johnson	27	3-10	1-5	2-2	1-2	3	2	0	7	0	2	9
Gholizadeh	25	2-7	0-2	4-0	2-1	3	2	2	2	0	0	8
Bigirumwami	21	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-0	1	3	1	2	0	0	0
Johnson	14	0-1	0-1	1-2	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Whitehead	13	1-3	0-1	0-0	1-0	1	1	0	1	0	0	2
<b>Team</b>				<b>1-1</b>	<b>2</b> </							

## **ChIPLEY Blacktop Courts, Family Hoop Roots Shape Forrest**

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Thirty miles separate the Florida Panhandle towns of Chipley and Malone; roughly twice the distance between New York City and Newark, N.J., where the 11<sup>th</sup>-ranked Florida State men's basketball team meets UConn in Saturday's Never Forget Tribute Classic at the Prudential Center.

The disparate connection between those locales is Florida State junior point guard Trent Forrest, whose love and acumen for the game was nurtured and honed on the blacktop courts in rural North Florida.

The height of the rims and passion for basketball are the lone common links between the asphalt courts at Chipley's old Roulhac Middle School - where Forrest tagged along with his older brother Trey for pick-up games - and places like Harlem's legendary Rucker Park.

"There were 15-20 guys out there," Forrest said, recounting his formative basketball days. "I was the only young kid out there and my brother would let me play. I was just trying to stay on the court and win as many games as I could. If I was on the opposite team of my brother, he would always push me. If the game was close, he'd try to get the team to give me the ball so they could force pressure on me to try and get a turnover. That's where it all started, playing with older guys..."

"We would play from the time I got off the bus until dark."

Those days on the courts at old Roulhac were instrumental in the development of the 6-foot-4 Seminole guard with the Swiss Army Knife skill-set. Forrest is averaging 10.4 points, 4.9 rebounds and 3.6 assists. He leads the 7-1 Noles in steals (14) and free throw percentage (.893), and ranks second in field goal percentage (.509) among the regulars.

Genealogy and geography have also played a role in Forrest's development.

The apple did not fall far from the tree, as the basketball roots run deep on both sides of the Forrest family. His father, Lester Forrest, was an all-state player at Malone High in Jackson County, Florida, which borders the Washington County seat of Chipley to the east. He went on to play at Chipola Junior College before joining the military. Trent's mother, Barbara Lee - a pastor today in Chipley and a constant presence at his FSU games - also played basketball at Chipola.

There are few places in Florida more passionate about high school basketball, than the small towns throughout the Panhandle. Standing room only, Friday night crowds have been the norm for decades at places such as Malone, Chipley, Grand Ridge, Marianna, Cottondale, Graceville, Paxton and Laurel Hill.

"My kids were pretty much born into a basketball kind of family," said Lester Forrest. "Basketball was king in Malone back in the 80s and 90s because you really didn't have anything else to do unless you liked to hunt or fish...The fans loved the game, and basketball history was really high in Malone."

Malone High has produced 14 state titles; second only in Florida high school history to the 18 of Miami Senior.

Lester Forrest won one as a junior in 1981, and his "baby brother" Derrick was a freshman when the Tigers won another in 1983 under legendary coach Marvin Lassiter. After two years at Chipola, Derrick went on to star at Clemson alongside future NBA standouts Elden Campbell and Dale Davis, after helping those Tigers to their only ACC regular season title in 1990.

Malone kept winning, rolling off a state-record five straight (1994-1998) under coaches John Ellerbee and Matt Anderson.

ChIPLEY was often in Malone's championship path, and despite unprecedented success during coach Rickey McCullogh's 20-plus seasons at the helm, didn't win its first state title until 2012 under Joel Orlando. They doubled that total with Trent leading the way, claiming the 2015 and 2016 crowns – one under Orlando and the last under Mike Gates - after watching Malone cut down the nets in 2014.

"With Trent's two state championship titles in 1A, and my contribution of one and the rest of his cousins in Jackson County at Malone...we've won nine state championships," Lester Forrest said, proudly. "Trent had an opportunity to see that from both spectrums, from Malone and then at ChIPLEY. Being in that environment he took on that mentality."

Basketball Hall of Fame center Artis Gilmore may be the biggest star out of ChIPLEY, but he wasn't alone. Former FSU and NFL tailback Amp Lee starred on the court, as did Tony Davis, who went on to play tailback at the University of Florida. Trent is related to both Lee and Davis, who was the school's all-time leading scorer, until Trent shattered his record during a four-year varsity career. Alex Hamilton, Trent's godbrother, was the linchpin on the 2012 state title team and enjoyed a strong collegiate career.

In addition to his job managing and maintain Gilmore Park for the city's recreation department, Lester Forrest was building up the youth basketball program, which coincided nicely with his sons' interests and served them well as they moved on to ChIPLEY High.

Trent's earliest memories of ChIPLEY High basketball included going to watch his brother Trey's games.

"I was probably six or seven," Trent said. "After they would play, I have a goal at home and I would always try and emulate the things they would do in games."

Sometimes he wouldn't wait to get home.

"When his brother would be playing, at halftime and after the games were over, while the little kids would be playing around on the court trying to shoot, Trent would be doing basketball drills," Lester said. "The adults would be like, 'Look at that little guy. He's pretty advanced.'"

And Trent Forrest kept improving. By the time he was done at ChIPLEY he had scored 3,103 points, won two state titles and become a polished product when it came to end-game decision-making and execution. Competing in travel basketball, as a youngster with the Lynn Haven Wildcats, and later, on the AAU circuit with the Alabama Challenge and Georgia Stars, further sharpened those skills.

"In AAU I kind of got exposed to just how good people really are outside the area I'm from," Trent said. "In this area I was the best player, but when I got exposed to AAU I was like, 'Wow, there are a lot of other people out here that were better than me, or had the same talent.'..."

"At the same time, I learned how to play the right way. That has helped me be able to mesh if I was playing with guys better than me."

Coach Leonard Hamilton's Seminoles have been the beneficiaries.

"He's an unselfish player," Hamilton said. "He impacts the game in a lot of ways, even if he's not scoring. He moves the ball. He makes good decisions. He defends well. He talks to his teammates and communicates well. He's a very valuable asset."

Hamilton's comments came after the Noles' recent 73-72 win over Purdue on Forrest's game-winning runner with five seconds remaining, off a play designed for him to either take or create the final shot.

"In games like these, I want to be able to affect it in whatever way I can, whether that's playing defense, scoring; just making the right plays," Forrest said.

The decisive basket came in the middle of a 16-second, end-game sequence, sandwiched around a pair of Forrest steals; the first with the Noles trailing by 1 to set up the go-ahead possession, and the second, of a desperation pass as the horn sounded.

It certainly didn't surprise Florida State associate head coach Stan Jones, who in the recruiting process watched Forrest guide the star-laden Georgia Stars to 24 straight wins on the July travel circuit, including the Peach Jam and Las Vegas Classic titles.

"I'm not sure anyone has done that," Jones said. "He was just able to hold a team together, figure out what the team needed and when it was time to win, he makes winning basketball plays. It was not just that play the other night against Purdue. He's made an awful lot of big plays, like the shot the other night and the pass to PJ Savoy in the Xavier [NCAA Tournament] game last year..."

"The character of that young man is very, very high and I think it reveals itself when the pressure is highest."

The folks from Chipley are accustomed to seeing one of their favorite sons deliver in similar fashion. Many were in the stands at the Lakeland Center for the 2016 Florida 1A state semifinal game against Hamilton County. Trent Forrest remembers it as perhaps the first time he delivered with the game on the line. His Chipley Tigers trailed by eight with roughly a minute to play.

"I had a couple free throws late in the game against Hamilton County when they were trying to shorten the game," Forrest said, humbly down-playing his vastly more significant contributions.

"One play in particular that kind of blew my mind when he hit a 3-pointer," Lester Forrest recounted. "The ball was taken out on the side around half court. He ran and retrieved the ball and reversed, spun opposite of the way he was going, got to the top of the key and hit a fall-away 3-pointer that was really huge in that game."

Then came the game-sealing free throws. He scored 26 points in the state final, a 65-38 shellacking of Panhandle rival Paxton, as the Tigers rallied from a 28-26 halftime deficit. Forrest locked down Paxton star Zach Varnum in the second half after requesting the defensive assignment at intermission.

"You live for those moments," Trent Forrest said. "It just shows a lot of what you're made of and I feel like if you're a basketball player you want to be in those situations."

Like his FSU coaches and teammates, Forrest's friends and family in Chipley have a great appreciation for the person and player he has become. That was evident on his senior night three years ago, when the fire marshal and police were forced to lock down the overflow gymnasium for his final home game, much to Jones' chagrin.

"I started to panic as I tried to find somebody so I could talk my way into the building, because there was that much enthusiasm around the program and Trent's career there," said Jones, who had hoped to surprise the recent Seminole signee in person.

Jones eventually got inside, but Forrest was helped off the floor late in the game after bumping knees with another player.

"It bothered him pretty bad and so they decided to take him to the emergency room after the game to get it checked," Jones added. "I went over there with him and when he came out from his exam, they should have sold tickets. There were that many people in the emergency waiting room to make sure he was okay."

Chipley remains as proud of Trent Forrest today, as he is appreciative for the people and places who have been essential to his development as a person and player. There are two things he has taken from those formative years and applied to his success on and off the court at Florida State.

“The pureness of the game, and the dream,” Trent Forrest said. “In small towns there’s really not the politics you might see in the big city. People are just playing for the love of the game, honestly. That’s helped me get here now; the love of the game and desire to get better.

“If you ask people where Chipley is, they don’t know. That’s one thing I’ve taken with me since I’ve left – it’s to always remember home, and you can do whatever you really want to set your mind to.”