

FLORIDA STATE

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2022-23 Florida State Schedule

O27	Newberry College (ex)	W, 74-66
N7	Stetson	7:00 p.m.
N11	at UCF	7:00 p.m.
N14	Troy	7:00 p.m.
N18	Florida	8:00 p.m.
N21	Mercer	6:30 p.m.
N24	1 vs. Siena	11:00 a.m.
N25	1 vs. Ole Miss / Stanford	TBA
N27	1 vs. TBA	TBA
N30	2 Purdue	7:15 p.m.
D3	* at Virginia	2:00 p.m.
D10	* Louisville	1:00 p.m.
D13	USC Upstate	8:30 p.m.
D17	3 St. John's	2:30 p.m.
D21	* Notre Dame	8:30 p.m.
D31	* at Duke	2:00 p.m.
J7	* Georgia Tech	1:00 p.m.
J11	* at Wake Forest	9:00 p.m.
J14	* Virginia	4:00 p.m.
J17	* at Notre Dame	7:00 p.m.
J21	* at Pittsburgh	3:00 p.m.
J24	* Miami	7:00 p.m.
J28	* Clemson	5:00 p.m.
F1	* at NC State	9:00 p.m.
F4	* at Louisville	2:00 p.m.
F8	* Syracuse	7:00 p.m.
F11	* Pittsburgh	12 Noon
F15	* at Clemson	7:00 p.m.
F18	* Boston College	12 Noon
F25	* at Miami	2:00 p.m.
F27	* North Carolina	7:00 p.m.
M4	* at Virginia Tech	12 noon
M7-11	4 at ACC Tournament	TBA

*Denotes ACC Game; 1 ESPN Events Invitational at Lake Buena Vista, Fla. (State Farm Field House). 2 ACC / Big Ten Challenge at Tallahassee, Fla (Donald L. Tucker Center). 3 AutoNation Orange Bowl Classic (FLA Live Arena). 4 ACC Tournament (Greensboro Coliseum, Greensboro, N.C.)

2021-22 ACC Standings

Team	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Duke	16	4	.800	32	7	.821
North Carolina	15	5	.750	29	10	.744
Notre Dame	15	5	.750	24	11	.686
Miami	14	6	.700	26	11	.703
Wake Forest	13	7	.650	25	10	.714
Virginia	12	8	.600	21	14	.600
Virginia Tech	11	9	.550	23	13	.548
Florida State	10	10	.500	17	14	.548
Syracuse	9	11	.450	16	17	.485
Clemson	8	12	.450	17	16	.515
Louisville	6	14	.300	13	19	.406
Boston College	6	14	.300	13	20	.394
Pittsburgh	6	14	.300	11	21	.344
Georgia Tech	5	15	.250	12	20	.375
NC State	4	16	.200	11	21	.344

Leonard Hamilton's Career Record

	W	L	Pct.	Years
Career	595	452	.568	1987-Pr.
at Okla. State	56	63	.471	1987-90
at Miami	144	147	.495	1991-00
at Florida State	395	242	.620	2002-Pr.

FLORIDA STATE SEMINOLES (0-0 OVERALL, 0-0 ACC)
VS

STETSON HATTERS (0-0 OVERALL, 0-0 ATLANTIC SUN)
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2022; 7:00 P.M.
DONALD L. TUCKER CENTER (11,500)
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

LEARFIELD IMG COLLEGE RADIO NETWORK (JEFF CULHANE, ADRIAN CRAWFORD)
BALLY'S SPORTS (EVAN LEPLER, TERENCE OGELSBY)

"Florida State is going to come back from an injury-plagued season with a vengeance in 2022-23, and Matthew Cleveland has all the tools to be a superstar. The 6-foot-7, 200 pound wing runs the floor like a gazelle and has an incredibly long wingspan. Cleveland averaged more than 11 points per game last year while making only six 3's. He's going to improve as a shooter, and that should unlock a completely different ceiling. Cleveland's money-maker is the defense he can bring to a game. Cleveland is comfortable guarding so many different positions. He might be 6-foot-7, but he can get down in a stance and guard pick-and-rolls with the best of them. Cleveland was one of the best defenders in isolation scenarios in the nation in 2021-22. Cleveland as good as a freshman. But the former five-star is positioned to make a jump toward stardom as a sophomore."

Isaac Trotter
247Sports

FLORIDA STATE OPENS SEASON AT HOME AGAINST STETSON ON NOVEMBER 7

Florida State opens its 74th season of intercollegiate basketball as it plays host to Stetson on Monday, November 7 at 7:00 p.m. at the Donald L. Tucker Center in Tallahassee. The Seminoles game against Stetson marks the first time in school history the Seminoles will open a season against the Hatters and the third time since the 2013-14 season the Seminoles have played a team from the state of Florida in its season opener. Florida State is 26-4 (.867 winning percentage) in season openers when they are against teams from the state of Florida. Following Monday's game against Stetson, the Seminoles travel to play at UCF on November 11 at 7:00 p.m.

FLORIDA STATE VS. STETSON -- CONNECTIONS

Florida State opens its 2022-23 season as it plays host to Stetson at the Donald L. Tucker Center. It marks the first time in the 53-game series that the Seminoles open their season against the Hatters. Florida State leads the all-time series against Stetson by a 42-11 mark and has won 18 consecutive games in the series – a streak that dates back to an 81-71 Seminoles victory on December 11, 1975. The Seminoles are 11-0 against the Hatters under Head Coach Leonard Hamilton. The Hatters are led by veteran Head Coach Donnie Jones who is in his fourth season at Stetson, but who is no stranger to the Seminoles or the Tucker Center. After three seasons at Marshall (2008-10), Jones led the Knights of UCF (2011-16) before taking over at Stetson in 2020. The Seminoles were 3-0 against Jones and UCF (with two wins inside the Tucker Center). Jones was also an assistant coach at Florida for 11 years under Billy Donovan (1997-2007). Shawn Finney, an assistant coach on the Stetson staff, is also familiar with the Seminoles. He was an assistant coach at UCF from 2011-16 under Jones (0-3 against Florida State), and an assistant coach at Manhattan from 2016-18 under Steve Masiello (0-1 against Florida State). Hatter assistant coach Jonathan Mitchell began his playing career at Florida in 2007 and played in one game against the Seminoles – a 70-66 Seminoles victory in the Tucker Center. In his only game against the Seminoles, Mitchell played 10 minutes with one rebound. Brett Comer, who is in his first season at Stetson, played one game against Florida State during his career at Florida Gulf Coast. Comer scored six points and totaled three assists in a 58-53 Florida State's victory of FGCU in the first round of the NIT at the Donald L. Tucker Center.

CLEVELAND NAMED TO JULIUS ERVING AWARD WATCH LIST

Florida State's Matthew Cleveland has been named to the Julius Erving Watch List as the nation's top collegiate small forward by the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame. It marks the second consecutive season Cleveland has been named to the initial watch list for the prestigious Julius Erving Award. Cleveland is one of three players from the ACC named to the Julius Erving Watch List. He is joined on the list by Dariq Whitehead of Duke and Leaky Black of North Carolina. The award is named for Julius Erving, who attended the University of Massachusetts (1969-71). He averaged 26.3 points and 20.2 rebounds per game, making him one of only six NCAA men's basketball players to average more than 20 points and 20 rebounds per game during his career.

HAMILTON IS THE FIFTH WINNINGEST COACH IN ACC HISTORY

Seminole Head Coach Leonard Hamilton is the fifth winningest coach in ACC history with 395 career wins and ranked fifth in ACC history with 177 career ACC wins at Florida State.

LOOK FOR FLORIDA STATE TO...

...Defeat Penn and win its eight consecutive home opening game. The Seminoles have won their home opener each season since opening their 2013-14 home season with a 91-67 win over Jacksonville;
...Defeat Stetson and win its 19th consecutive game against Stetson. The Seminoles have won each of their games against Stetson since an 81-71 win over the Hatters on December 11, 1975;
...Defeat Stetson and win its 25th consecutive home game against the Stetson. The Seminoles won each of their home games against Stetson since a 74-71 win over the Hatters on December 18, 1953;
...Defeat Stetson and gain its 20th win in its last 22 games against teams from the state of Florida. The Seminoles have won 17 of their last 19 games against teams from the Sunshine State.

**Florida State Basketball / National Polls
ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL**

Rk.	Team	21-22 Rec.
1.	North Carolina (47)	29-10
2.	Gonzaga (12)	28-4
3.	Houston (1)	32-6
4.	Kentucky (2)	26-8
5.	Kansas	34-6
6.	Baylor	27-7
7.	Duke	32-7
8.	UCLA	27-8
9.	Creighton	23-12
10.	Arkansas	28-9
11.	Tennessee	27-8
12.	Texas	22-12
13.	Indiana	21-14
14.	TCU	21-13
15.	Auburn	28-6
16.	Villanova	30-8
17.	Arizona	33-4
18.	Virginia	21-14
19.	San Diego State	23-9
20.	Alabama	19-14
21.	Oregon	20-15
22.	Michigan	19-15
23.	Illinois	23-10
24.	Dayton	24-11
25.	Texas Tech	27-10

ARV – Florida State (27)

USA TODAY POLL

Rk.	Team (FV)	Points
1.	North Carolina (23)	778
2.	Gonzaga (5)	759
3.	Houston (1)	713
4.	Kentucky (3)	697
5.	Kansas	660
6.	Baylor	632
7.	UCLA	560
8.	Duke	552
9.	Creighton	500
10.	Arkansas	498
11.	Tennessee	486
12.	Texas	449
13.	Arizona	352
14.	Indiana	334
15.	Auburn	318
16.	TCU	317
17.	Villanova	300
18.	Virginia	287
19.	Alabama	176
20.	San Diego State	173
21.	Oregon	128
22.	Michigan	122
23.	Illinois	115
24.	Texas Tech	107
25.	Dayton	75

ARV – Florida State (34)

ACC Basketball Tipoff

Rk.	Team (FPV)	Points
1.	North Carolina (90)	1,504
2.	Duke (2)	1,339
3.	Virginia (6)	1,310
4.	Miami (2)	1,138
5.	FLORIDA STATE	1,064
6.	Notre Dame	971
7.	Virginia Tech (1)	921
8.	Syracuse	700
9.	Wake Forest	672
10.	NC State	548
11.	Clemson	528
12.	Louisville	47
13.	Boston College	368
14.	Pitt	320
15.	Georgia Tech	260

SEMINOLES PICKED TO FINISH FIFTH IN ACC RACE

Florida State, which returns its top two and three of its top six scorers from last season, has been selected to finish fifth in the Atlantic Coast Conference men's basketball standings for the upcoming 2022-23 season by the attending media at the ACC Tip Off in Charlotte. It marks the fourth consecutive season the Seminoles have been selected to finish in fifth place or better in the final standings of the nation's top basketball conference. In two of the last three seasons, the team selected to finish fifth in the preseason has won the ACC championship – the Seminoles in 2020 and Virginia Tech in 2022. Florida State won the 2020 ACC Championship with a school record 16 wins and a 16-4 conference record during the regular season. In four of the last six seasons, Head Coach Leonard Hamilton has led the Seminoles to a higher finish in the final standings than was predicted in the preseason. In 2017, the Seminoles were picked to finish eighth and finished second; in 2019 the Seminoles were picked to finish seventh and finished fourth; in 2020 the Seminoles were selected to finish fifth and won the regular season championship; in 2021 the Seminoles were picked third and finished second.

HAMILTON PRESENTED WITH PRESTIGIOUS JOE LAPCHICK AWARD IN NEW YORK CITY

Florida State men's basketball coach Leonard Hamilton received the Joe Lapchick Character Award presented by the Joe Lapchick Foundation during a ceremony at the New York Athletic Club on September 16, 2022. Hamilton was honored with the award which celebrates the life and career of Joe Lapchick, a Hall of Fame coach at St. John's University (1936-47) and the New York Knicks (1947-56), who was well known for his compassion and integrity off the court. The award is given to coaches who exhibit honorable character and who have impacted the game of basketball as did Lapchick. Hamilton is just the fifth head coach from the ACC to earn the award. He joins Georgia Tech's Bobby Cremins, Virginia's Pete Gillen, Duke's Mike Krzyzewski, and North Carolina's Dean Smith as Lapchick Award winners from the nation's top college basketball conference.

FLORIDA STATE AT HOME SINCE 2015

Florida State is 88-8 at home in the last six (plus) seasons (.917 winning percentage). The Seminoles have won 88 of their last 96 games since February 27, 2015. The Seminoles won their final three home games of the 2015-16 season (Notre Dame, Syracuse, Davidson) and have won 85 of 93 home games (.914 winning percentage) in the last six seasons (2018 through 2022). The Seminoles have lost just one non-conference home game since the start of the 2016-17 schedule and have won five straight non-conference home games entering Monday's home game against Stetson. Florida State has won 41 of its last 42 and 46 of its last 47 non-conference home games since defeating UCF on December 6, 2014.

Packing The Tuck

Season	Home Record	Non-Conference Home Record
2016-17	18-0	9-0
2017-18	13-2	6-0
2018-19	15-1	7-0
2019-20	16-0	6-0
2020-21	12-1	4-1
2021-22	11-4	4-0
Totals	85-8	36-1

SEMINOLES' COLLEGE BASKETBALL RECORD OVERTIME WINNING STREAK

Florida State enters the 2022-23 season having won an NCAA record 13 consecutive overtime games. The Seminoles defeated Duke, 79-70, in overtime on January 18, 2022 in Tallahassee for its all-time college basketball record 13th consecutive overtime victory. The Seminoles have won each of their overtime decisions since a 101-90 double overtime win over Syracuse on January 13, 2018 in a game played at the Donald L. Tucker Center in Tallahassee. Florida State has defeated 11 teams during their overtime streak. The Seminoles were 2-0 in overtime games during the 2021-22 season.

Florida State's Overtime Streak

No.	Date	Opponent	Location	Score
1.	January 13, 2018	Syracuse	Tallahassee, Fla.	101-90 (2 OT)
2.	January 27, 2018	Miami	Tallahassee, Fla.	103-94 (OT)
3.	February 14, 2018	Clemson	Tallahassee, Fla.	81-79 (OT)
4.	November 23, 2018	LSU	Lake Buena Vista, Fla.	79-76 (OT)
5.	February 9, 2019	Louisville	Tallahassee, Fla.	80-75 (OT)
6.	March 5, 2019	Virginia Tech	Tallahassee, Fla.	73-64 (OT)
7.	March 14, 2019	Virginia Tech	Charlotte, N.C.	65-63 (OT)
8.	November 30, 2019	Purdue	Destin, Fla.	63-60 (OT)
9.	January 18, 2020	Miami	Coral Gables, Fla.	83-79 (OT)
10.	December 9, 2020	Indiana	Tallahassee, Fla.	69-67 (OT)
11.	February 13, 2021	Wake Forest	Tallahassee, Fla.	92-85 (OT)
12.	November 24, 2021	Boston University	Tallahassee, Fla.	81-80 (OT)
13.	January 18, 2021	Duke	Tallahassee, Fla.	79-78 (OT)

THE SUNSHINE STATE

Florida State is 31-6 overall (.838 winning percentage) vs. schools from the state of Florida and 19-2 at home (.905 winning percentage) vs. schools from the state of at the Donald L. Tucker Center since the start of the 2014-15 season.

Years	vs. Florida schools	at Home vs. Florida Schools
2014-15	6-1	5-0
2015-16	3-2	1-1
2016-17	4-0	2-0
2017-18	2-1	1-0
2018-19	4-0	3-0
2019-20	5-0	2-0
2020-21	4-1	3-1
2021-22	3-1	2-0
Totals	31-6	19-2

**Florida State Basketball
Upcoming Milestones**

Leonard Hamilton
Victories as an ACC Coach
395 (Career at Florida State)
+67 (needs)
462

To become the 4th Winningest Coach in ACC History (all victories) (surpassing Gary Williams of Maryland)

Leonard Hamilton
ACC Victories at Florida State
(Regular Season + ACC Tourn.)
177 (Career at Florida State)
+34 (needs)
211

To become the 4th Winningest Coach in ACC History (ACC games) – surpassing Gary Williams of Maryland

Leonard Hamilton
Wins vs. AP No. 1 In Career
4 (career at Florida State)
+4 (needs)
8

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

Florida State
All-Time Victories
1294 (current)
+6 (needs)
1,300

Florida State has an all-time record of 1,277-862 for a winning percentage of .597.

Darin Green
Career 3-Point Field Goals Made
208 (current)
+42 (needs)
250

Averages 2.5 made 3FGM in each of the first 82 games of his collegiate career.

Caleb Mills
Career Points
777 (current)
+223 (needs)
1,000

Averages 13.0 ppg in each of the each of the first 61 games of his collegiate career.

Caleb Mills
Career 3-point Shots Made
81 (current)
+ 19 (needs)
100

Averages 1.3 3FGM in each of the first 61 games of his collegiate career.

Jaylen Warley
Career Steals
37 (current)
+ 13 (needs)
50

Averages 1.2 spg in each of the first 31 games of his collegiate career.

POSSIBLE STARTING LINEUP FOR FLORIDA STATE...

- C #24 Naheem McLeod (4.5 ppg, 2.1 rpg in 18 career games entering his sophomore season in 2022-23)
- G #4 Caleb Mills (12.7 ppg, 1.6 apg in 61 career games entering his redshirt junior season in 2022-23)
- G #12 Tom House (14.4 ppg, 3.3 rpg as a high school senior; set to play his first collegiate game vs. Stetson)
- G #22 Darin Green, Jr. (11.6 ppg, 2.4 rpg in 82 career games entering his junior season in 2022-23)
- G #35 Matthew Cleveland (11.5 ppg, 4.6 rpg in 29 career games entering his sophomore season in 2022-23)

...AND TOP RESERVES

- G #21 Cam'Ron Fletcher (5.6 ppg, 3.0 rpg in 38 games entering his junior season in 2022-23)
- G #1 Jalen Warley (3.7 ppg, 2.5 apg in 31 career games entering his sophomore season in 2022-23)
- G #3 Cameron Corhen (8.2 ppg, 6.4 rpg as a high school senior; set to play his first collegiate game vs. Stetson)
- G #40 Isaac Spainhour (0.8 ppg, 0.5 rpg in six career games entering his redshirt sophomore season in 2022-23)
- C #43 Tibor Palinkas (5.4 ppg, 1.9 rpg; played in 10 games as a sophomore at TCC during the 2021-22 season)
- F #44 Max Thorpe (0.0 ppg, 0.4 rpg in five career games entering his redshirt sophomore season in 2022-23)

POSSIBLE STARTING LINEUP FOR STETSON

- F #11 Josh Smith (7.1 ppg, 5.5 rpg in 22 games at Stetson during the 2021-22 season)
- G #0 Alec Oglesby (3.7 ppg, 0.5 rpg in 6 games at UNC Wilmington during the 2021-22 season)
- G #5 Jalen Blackmon (2.7 ppg, 0.9 rpg in 23 games at Grand Canyon University during the 2021-22 season)
- G #21 Aubin Gateretse (2.6 ppg, 2.0 rpg in 18 games at Stetson during the 2021-22 season)
- G #30 Stephan Swenson (7.0 ppg, 1.8 rpg in 29 games at Stetson during the 2021-22 season)

FLORIDA STATE VS. STETSON - A SERIES HISTORY

The Series: Florida State leads, 42-11
 First Game: January 13, 1948; at Stetson 65, Florida State 56
 Last Game: December 22, 2014; at Florida State 63, Stetson 59
 Last Florida State Win: December 22, 2014; at Florida State 63, Stetson 59
 Last Stetson Win: March 5, 1975; at Stetson 63, Florida State 54
 Last Florida State Win in Tallahassee: December 22, 2014; at Florida State 63, Stetson 59
 Last Stetson Win in Tallahassee: March 5 1953; Stetson 94, at Florida State 81
 Current Streak: Florida State has won 18 straight
 Current Streak in Tallahassee: Florida State has won 24 straight

FLORIDA STATE VS. STETSON – THE LAST FOUR GAMES

<u>Dec. 22, 2014</u>	<u>Nov. 16, 2011</u>	<u>Dec. 15, 2010</u>	<u>Nov. 18, 2009</u>
at Florida State 63	at Florida State 79	at Florida State 97	at Florida State 80
Stetson 59	Stetson 66	Stetson 63	Stetson 38

FLORIDA STATE VS. STETSON – THE LAST MEETING

Montay Brandon scored 13 of his 17 points in the second half as Florida State won its third straight game, knocking off Stetson 63-59 on December 22, 2014 at the Donald L. Tucker Center. Xavier Rathan-Mayes added 14 points, knocking down all eight of his free throws including two which capped a 6-0 run and put the Seminoles up 60-52 with 1:04 left. Rathan-Mayes added seven assists. Brandon finished 7-of-11 shooting and added six rebounds. Florida State shot 46 percent from the field (23 of 49). Phil Cofer added seven points and eight rebounds for the Seminoles. Kentwan Smith led Stetson with 21 points and Angel Rivera added 13. The Hatters never led in the second half but closed within 54-52 on Smith's free throws with 2:54 left. The Hatters shot 37 percent (23 of 62). Kyle Sikora had 11 points and 11 rebounds for the Hatters.

TONIGHT'S REFEREES

Tonight's referee is Ron Groover and the umpires are Jemel Spearman and Isaac Barnett

2022-23 FLORIDA STATE ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown/Last School
0	Chandler Jackson	G	6-5	215	Fr.	Memphis, Tenn./Christian Brothers Academy
1	Jalen Warley	G	6-6	200	So.	Mt. Airy, Pa./Westtown School
3	Cameron Corhen	F	6-10	225	Fr.	Allen, Texas/Sunrise Christian
4	Caleb Mills	G	6-5	180	RJr.	Arden, N.C./University of Houston
5	De'Ante Green	F	6-10	210	Fr.	Asheville, N.C./Asheville Christian Academy
10	Jeremiah Bembry	G	6-6	185	Fr.	Brooklyn, N.Y./Executive Education Academy
11	Baba Miller	F	6-11	204	Fr.	Mallorca, Spain/
12	Tom House	G	6-7	200	Fr.	Dayton, Ohio/Centerville
21	Cam'Ron Fletcher	G	6-7	215	Jr.	St. Louis, Mo./University of Kentucky
22	Darin Green, Jr.	G	6-5	195	Jr.	Charlotte, N.C./UCF
24	Naheem McLeod	C	7-4	255	Jr.	Philadelphia, Pa./Chipola College
33	Jaylan Gainey	F	6-10	220	Sr.	Greensboro, N.C./Brown University
35	Matthew Cleveland	G	6-7	200	So.	Atlanta, Ga./Pace Academy
40	Isaac Spainhour	G	6-3	180	RSo.	King, N.C./West Stokes
41	RJ Morris	G	6-3	185	Fr.	Jupiter, Fla./Jupiter Christian
42	Cleveland Yates	G	6-3	200	RJr.	Memphis, Tenn./Briarcrest Christian School
43	Tibor Palinkas	G	6-4	190	Jr.	Keckskemet, Hungary/Tallahassee Community College
44	Max Thorpe	G	6-3	160	RSo.	Clearwater, Fla./Clearwater Countryside
45	Michael Brown	F	6-7	220	So.	Ft. Washington, Md./Sidwell Friends

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE: Jalen Warley (Jay-Len War-Lee); Cameron Corhen (Kam-Run Cor-en). Caleb Mills (Kay-Lib Mills); De'Ante Green (D-Onte Green); Cam'Ron Fletcher (Cam-ren Fletcher); Naheem McLeod (Na-Heem, Ma-Cloud), Tibor Palinkas (Ta-Bore Pa-Lynn-Kosh).

Quoting Florida State Basketball

"The 'Noles should be getting more offseason love. Florida State gets Caleb Mills, Matthew Cleveland and Cam'Ron Fletcher back. All three of those guys have a chance to be absolute stars. Mills is one of the best point guards in the ACC, while Cleveland has lottery pick written all of him. Don't sleep on key returners Naheem McLeod and Jalen Warley. Leonard Hamilton has combed the transfer portal and the high school recruiting ranks for reinforcements."

Isaac Trotter
247 Sports

"Caleb Mills is going to have the ball in his hands a ton for Florida State. Leonard Hamilton needs him to make good decisions and also go got buckets in big moments. He's a talented scorer with All-ACC upside."

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247Sports

"Matthew Cleveland will undoubtedly have a bigger role for Florida State this year, and we have a strong feeling that Cleveland will be a big part of that. It isn't too far-fetched that Cleveland's name could be found at the end of the year on a few All-ACC teams and possibly in the discussion as ACC Player of the Year, that is how much talent this young man possesses."

Patrick O'Brien
Phenom Hoop Report

"Leonard Hamilton has flown under the radar in the ACC due to Roy Williams and Coach K but now, Hamilton has the best résumé in the league. He has over a dozen 5-star commits in the past, including Scottie Barnes, Dwayne Bacon and rising sophomore wing Matthew Cleveland. Coach Hamilton is known for building depth but quietly handles his own on the trail."

Jeff Goodman, Rob Dauster
The Field of 68

"Leonard Hamilton has pieced together the usual collection of athleticism and length."

Walter Villa
Lindy's Sports Annuals

"Florida State is a sleeper team to win it all thanks to the brilliance of Caleb Mills and Matthew Cleveland."

Isaac Trotter
247Sports

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"Stan Jones is phenomenal at X's and O's. Stan is a great person and can coach circles around most. He can get players too."

Unnamed Atlantic 10 Coach

HAMILTON IN SEASON OPENERS

21st-year Seminole Head Coach Leonard Hamilton enters Monday's home game against Stetson looking to win his 26th season opener in the last 28 seasons. Hamilton has a 27-7 record (.794 winning percentage) during his head coaching career in season openers.

Hamilton Successful In Season Openers

Season	School	Opponent	Outcome
1986-87	Oklahoma State	at Pepperdine	L, 61-79
1987-88	Oklahoma State	at BYU-Hawaii	L, 59-62
1988-89	Oklahoma State	at Pittsburgh	L, 75-93
1989-90	Oklahoma State	at North Texas	W, 94-66
1990-91	Miami	vs. George Mason	L, 91-97
1991-92	Miami	vs. Barry University	W, 80-67
1992-93	Miami	vs. Florida International	L, 64-72
1993-94	Miami	vs. Florida Atlantic	W, 85-53
1994-95	Miami	vs. NE Illinois	W, 66-48
1995-96	Miami	vs. NE Illinois	W, 81-58
1996-97	Miami	vs. Buffalo	W, 78-61
1997-98	Miami	at Southern Illinois	W, 73-61
1998-99	Miami	at Florida Atlantic	W, 97-73
1999-00	Miami	at Central Florida	W, 81-54
2002-03	Florida State	vs. Savannah State	W, 79-46
2003-04	Florida State	vs. Maine	W, 69-49
2004-05	Florida State	vs. Texas Southern	W, 71-62
2005-06	Florida State	vs. Jacksonville	W, 78-48
2006-07	Florida State	vs. McNeese State	W, 85-65
2007-08	Florida State	vs. Nicholls State	W, 81-58
2008-09	Florida State	at Jacksonville	W, 59-57
2009-10	Florida State	vs. Jacksonville	W, 87-61
2010-11	Florida State	vs. North Florida	W, 75-55
2011-12	Florida State	vs. Jacksonville	W, 79-67
2012-13	Florida State	vs. South Alabama	L, 71-76
2013-14	Florida State	vs. Jacksonville	W, 91-67
2014-15	Florida State	vs. Manhattan	W, 81-66
2015-16	Florida State	vs. Nicholls State	W, 109-62
2016-17	Florida State	vs. Charleston Southern	W, 88-67
2017-18	Florida State	vs. George Washington	W, 87-67
2018-19	Florida State	vs. Florida	W, 81-60
2019-20	Florida State	at Pittsburgh	L, 61-63
2020-21	Florida State	vs. North Florida	W, 86-58
2021-22	Florida State	vs. Penn	W, 105-70

HAMILTON LOOKING TO WIN 19TH SEASON OPENER AT FLORIDA STATE

Seminole Head Coach Leonard Hamilton enters Monday's game against Stetson looking to improve his record in season openers as Florida State's head coach to 19-2. He has led the Seminoles to season opening victories over Savannah State (Nov. 24, 2002; 79-46), Maine (Nov. 21, 2003; 69-49), Texas Southern (Nov. 19, 2004; 71-62), Jacksonville (Nov. 19, 2005; 78-48), McNeese State (Nov. 12, 2006; 85-65), Nicholls State (Nov. 9, 2007; 81-58), Jacksonville (Nov. 15, 2008; 59-57) Jacksonville (Nov. 16, 2009; 87-61), North Florida (Nov. 12, 2010; 75-55), Jacksonville (Nov. 11, 2011; 79-67), Jacksonville (Nov. 8, 2013; 91-67), Manhattan (Nov. 18, 2014; 81-66), Nicholls State (Nov. 15, 2015; 109-62), Charleston Southern (Nov. 12, 2016; 88-67), George Washington (Nov. 14, 2017; 87-67), Florida (Nov. 6, 2018; 81-60), North Florida (Dec. 2, 2020; 86-58) and Penn (Nov. 10, 2022, 105-70).

HAMILTON IS FLORIDA STATE'S ALL-TIME LEADER IN OPENING DAY WINS

Florida State Head Coach Leonard Hamilton, who coached his first game at Florida State on November 2, 2002, enters Monday's game against Stetson as the Seminoles' all-time winningest coach and its all-time winningest coach in season openers.

Seminole Head Coaches In Season Openers

Coach	Years	Overall in Openers
Leonard Hamilton	2003-Pr.	18-2
Hugh Durham	1966-78	12-0
Pat Kennedy	1986-97	10-1
J.K. "Bud" Kennedy	1948-66	9-9
Joe Williams	1978-86	8-0
Steve Robinson	1997-02	2-3
Don Loucks	1947	1-0

SEASON-OPENING SEMINOLE NOTES

- ...Florida State's largest margin of victory in a season opener came in a 133-79 (+54) victory over UCF on Nov. 25, 1978. The 54-point victory stands as the seventh largest margin of victory in school history;
- ...The most points scored by a Florida State opponent in a season opener is 97 by Georgia Southern in a 109-97 victory by Florida State to open the 1972-73 season on Dec. 1, 1972;
- ...The fewest number of points scored in a season opener was 39 against Spring Hill College in a 39-36 victory by Florida State to open the 1947-48 season on Dec. 10, 1947. That game was the first in the history of the Seminole program;
- ...Florida State has scored 100 points or more 11 times in a season opener – most recently the Seminoles defeated Penn to open the 2021-22 season with a 105-70 victory over the Quakers.



2021-22 Florida St. Men's Basketball Combined Team Statistics All games

Game Records

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	17-14	11-4	4-8	2-2
CONFERENCE	10-10	6-4	4-6	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	7-4	5-0	0-2	2-2

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	OT	TOT
Florida St.	1084	1095	22	2201
Opponents	1103	1107	20	2230

Team Box Score

No.	Player	Total			3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds				PF DQ A TO BLK STL PTS AVG										
		GP-GS	MIN	AVG	FG-FGA	FG%	3FG-3FGA	3FG%	FT-FTA	FT%	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	Pf	DQ	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG	
4	MILLS, Caleb	26-23	681:54	26.2	120-277	.433	30-85	.353	59-69	.855	11	51	62	2.4	49	0	63	53	13	39	329	12.7	
35	CLEVELAND, Matthew	29-8	758:48	26.2	133-294	.452	6-34	.176	61-110	.555	43	89	132	4.6	59	0	35	38	14	20	333	11.5	
10	OSBORNE, Malik	17-14	468:18	27.5	48-117	.410	20-56	.357	54-65	.831	37	81	118	6.9	23	0	15	11	4	17	170	10.0	
2	POLITE, Anthony	24-24	670:41	27.9	78-182	.429	26-81	.321	56-70	.800	43	92	135	5.6	42	0	60	40	13	35	238	9.9	
0	EVANS, RayQuan	27-26	671:20	24.9	72-183	.393	18-54	.333	53-62	.855	9	59	68	2.5	41	0	86	43	11	41	215	8.0	
21	FLETCHER, Cam'Ron	29-0	471:39	16.3	76-160	.475	21-58	.362	25-33	.758	37	63	100	3.4	48	0	26	43	5	27	198	6.8	
22	BUTLER, John	31-24	585:34	18.9	69-166	.416	33-84	.393	11-25	.440	21	79	100	3.2	61	1	23	26	36	13	182	5.9	
11	NGOM, Tanor	20-15	247:39	12.4	42-67	.627	2-10	.200	27-34	.794	24	31	55	2.8	41	0	4	22	15	6	113	5.7	
24	MCLEOD, Naheem	18-5	199:21	11.1	34-50	.680	0-0	.000	13-25	.520	27	10	37	2.1	17	0	0	8	7	1	81	4.5	
31	WILKES, Wyatt	31-10	480:40	15.5	44-142	.310	31-105	.295	3-9	.333	10	35	45	1.5	31	0	38	27	7	17	122	3.9	
30	PRIETO, Harrison	21-0	266:55	12.7	33-59	.559	10-22	.455	4-9	.444	19	20	39	1.9	24	0	5	5	5	6	80	3.8	
1	WARLEY, Jalen	31-5	596:29	19.2	39-118	.331	9-30	.300	27-40	.675	9	49	58	1.9	57	0	78	39	9	37	114	3.7	
15	BALLARD, Quincy	18-0	86:10	4.8	7-10	.700	0-0	.000	2-6	.333	9	12	21	1.2	7	0	1	4	11	2	16	0.9	
40	SPAINHOUR, Isaac	6-0	11:18	1.9	2-6	.333	1-4	.250	0-0	.000	0	3	3	0.5	2	0	0	1	0	1	5	0.8	
12	LINDNER, Justin	11-1	35:13	3.2	2-7	.286	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0	4	4	0.4	3	0	10	7	0	1	5	0.5	
44	THORPE, Max	5-0	10:11	2.0	0-2	.000	0-2	.000	0-1	.000	0	2	2	0.4	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	0.0	
42	YATES, Cleveland	3-0	07:50	2.6	0-2	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0.0	
Team											53	49	102					18					
Total		31	6250		799-1842	.434	208-628	.331	395-558	.708	352	729	1081	34.9	506	1	445	387	151	264	2201	71.0	
Opponents		31	6250		786-1769	.444	276-748	.369	382-538	.710	328	762	1090	35.2	495	9	433	448	95	182	2230	71.9	

Team Statistics

	FSU	OPP
Scoring	2201	2230
Points per game	71.0	71.9
Scoring margin	-0.9	-
Field goals-att	799-1842	786-1769
Field goal pct	.434	.444
3 point fg-att	208-628	276-748
3-point FG pct	.331	.369
3-pt FG made per game	6.7	8.9
Free throws-att	395-558	382-538
Free throw pct	.708	.710
F-Throws made per game	12.7	12.3
Rebounds	1081	1090
Rebounds per game	34.9	35.2
Rebounding margin	-0.3	-
Assists	445	433
Assists per game	14.4	14.0
Turnovers	387	448
Turnovers per game	12.5	14.5
Turnover margin	+2.0	-
Assist/turnover ratio	1.1	1.0
Steals	264	182
Steals per game	8.5	5.9
Blocks	151	95
Blocks per game	4.9	3.1
Winning streak	0	-
Home win streak	3	-
Attendance	126262	128392
Home games-Avg/Game	15-8417	12-10699
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	4-1199

Team Results

Date	Opponent	Score	Att.
11/10/2021	Penn	W 105-70	9746
11/14/2021	at Florida	L 55-71	10011
11/17/2021	Tulane	W 59-54	9030
11/21/2021	vs Loyola Marymount	W 73-45	1632
11/22/2021	vs Missouri	W 81-58	1641
11/24/2021	Boston U.	Wot 81-80	6670
11/30/2021	at Purdue	L 65-93	14804
12/04/2021	Syracuse	L 60-63	9808
12/12/2021	vs South Carolina	L 65-66	1523
12/15/2021	Lipscomb	W 97-60	5027
01/01/2022	at NC State	W 83-81	12529
01/04/2022	at Wake Forest	L 54-76	4782
01/08/2022	Louisville	W 79-70	9527
01/11/2022	Miami (FL)	W 65-64	10339
01/15/2022	at Syracuse	W 76-71	17287
01/18/2022	Duke	Wot 79-78	11500
01/20/2022	North Florida	W 86-73	2088
01/22/2022	at Miami (FL)	W 61-60	7972
01/26/2022	at Georgia Tech	L 61-75	4697
01/29/2022	Virginia Tech	L 72-85	11500
02/02/2022	at Clemson	L 69-75	6578
02/05/2022	Wake Forest	L 60-68	10089
02/09/2022	Pittsburgh	L 51-56	6891
02/12/2022	at North Carolina	L 74-94	20348
02/15/2022	Clemson	W 81-80	6801
02/19/2022	at Duke	L 70-88	9314
02/21/2022	at Boston College	L 55-71	5441
02/26/2022	at Virginia	W 64-63	14629
03/02/2022	Notre Dame	W 74-70	8401
03/05/2022	NC State	W 89-76	8845
03/09/2022	vs Syracuse	L 57-96	0

Coach Leonard Hamilton: 'The Worse the Program, the More I Became Interested'

By Billy Witz

New York Times

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Hamilton, the Florida State men's basketball coach, was presented with the Joe Lapchick Character Award in New York last week.

Leonard Hamilton was on the ninth floor of the stately New York Athletic Club with its million-dollar views over Central Park, accepting the Joe Lapchick Character Award at a luncheon on Friday. Outside, a chauffeur waited to whisk him across the Hudson River to a private plane that would deliver the Florida State men's basketball coach back to Tallahassee, Fla.

It was quite the departure from his first visit to New York.

That came 50 years ago, when Hamilton was a wet-behind-the-ears assistant coach at Austin Peay State University in Tennessee. Hamilton walked to the La Guardia Airport car rental counter only to discover that he could not pay cash for a car — and he did not have a credit card. So he jumped in a cab and asked the driver to take him to the cheapest hotel he could find near a gym in Brooklyn.

When Hamilton got to the gym, he heard other coaches talking about a hot prospect from the neighborhood. So he pulled aside Rodney Parker, a street basketball consigliere whom any recruiter in the city had better get to know, and asked if he could introduce him to this phenom. The next night, they went to the prospect's apartment a little before he was expected home at 7. His mother answered the door. They talked and talked, Hamilton turning on the charm.

After a while, Parker left, and they talked some more.

Sometime after midnight, when the mother excused herself to use the bathroom, Hamilton turned the clock back a couple of hours lest she ask him to leave. When she went to the bathroom again, he pulled the blinds down, lest she discover the sun would soon be peeking through. Finally, just around 7 a.m., in walked a sinewy 6-foot-5 teenager with a bushy Afro and a sly grin.

Immediately, Hamilton hit it off with James Williams, whom everyone knew as Fly.

"I was following him around playing All-Star games," Hamilton said. "Nobody knew me, and I never wore anything with Austin Peay on it, so Fly, being the jokester that he was, told everybody I was his cousin. I actually sat in on two recruiting meetings with other schools. He said, 'I can't talk with anybody without my cuz.'"

Austin Peay, which had finished last in the Ohio Valley Conference the previous season, nearly reached the Mideast regional final of the N.C.A.A. men's tournament in 1973, losing in overtime to Kentucky.

Hamilton, 74, was the first Black player at the University of Tennessee at Martin and the first Black coach in the Southeastern Conference when he was hired as an assistant at Kentucky in 1974. He is getting ready for his 21st season at Florida State, where he has coached six first-round draft picks since 2016 — including the reigning N.B.A. rookie of the year, Scottie Barnes — and where 73 of the 75 players who have completed their eligibility have graduated.

He spoke to The New York Times last week about growing up in the segregated South, taking on reclamation projects, why he doesn't think about the what-ifs of the pandemic and when he'll retire.

You quit coaching when you were told Austin Peay would not hire a Black head coach, right?

It wasn't quite like that. I went to talk to the university president when I thought Coach (Lake) Kelly might leave to see if there was a chance I could replace him. He said he was retiring in a couple years and nothing would make him happier than for me to be the coach at Austin Peay. Politically, he said he didn't know if he was strong enough to get it done. He was being honest with me, but that cut my guts out.

So you quit?

I got a job at Dow Chemicals. My first day on the job, I got a call from Joe Hall (the Kentucky coach), who had become aware of me because we almost beat them. Near the end of my interview, I said, "I'm going to tell you four things: I'll be loyal to you, nobody will outwork me, you'll have players, and I won't get you in trouble. But if you're not going to offer me the job, I'm going to go back to Charlotte and be the No. 1 chemicals salesman in the country."

You spent 12 years as an assistant at Kentucky (winning the 1978 championship with the team), but your head coaching jobs have been at places that were not exactly blue bloods. Oklahoma State hadn't won an N.C.A.A. tournament game in more than two decades; Miami had recently resurrected its program 15 years after dropping it; and Florida State had always been a football school. Is that a coincidence?

As an assistant coach, like most young coaches, I was dreaming. I wanted to be somewhere that had good facilities, was in the vicinity of good players and that had won. I wanted to find one of those good, cushy jobs where I could really go to work. But then it's almost like God slapped me on both sides of my face and said, "Those programs don't need you." It was almost like a vision — if you're going to make a name in this business, you're going to have to go somewhere that is extremely challenging. The worse the program, the more I became interested. That would be a way for me to earn my stripes.

How much did your upbringing in Gastonia, N.C., prepare you for that, having to make do with less?

There were eight of us living in a two-bedroom house. Our bathroom was on the back porch, there was no hot and cold running water. I took my bath in a tin tub. Everybody in our neighborhood lived that way. This was an era when we were still drinking out of a colored water fountain, using a colored bathroom, sitting in the back of the bus. We lived 30 or 40 yards from my church — Mount Zion Baptist, at the corner of Allison and Morris, where everybody is somebody and Christ is all. I could hear the piano from our back porch, and if the doors were open, we were there. It gave me a moral compass. All of those circumstances, even the negative part of segregation, prepared me mentally. It gave me a toughness, a desire, a will to fight and a determination to try to overcome challenges.

Last year, Gaston College, the community college you attended in your hometown, resurrected its athletic program after 50 years, bringing back five sports, including men's basketball. You urged the college's board of trustees to do this. Why?

Most Blacks in that time got their education through the G.I. Bill, so that's what I was going to do in 1966 — join the Army. My mother went to school up to the seventh grade, my father went to the ninth grade. The coach convinced me I could always join the Army but this would be a good experience. And he was right. Gaston College meant so much to me because I was a guy who needed some direction. I needed small classrooms. I needed the relationships. I needed that environment. Every Wednesday night, my coach would take me to Howard Johnson's. He was teaching me how to eat pasta. He wanted me to take the fork and the spoon and curl it up, which made no sense to me. It helped prepare me to go to Tennessee-Martin. I had three younger brothers and a sister who looked to me for leadership. Getting my degree set the table for them.

In 2020, Florida State was 26-5, A.C.C. champions, ranked fourth and picked by some to get to the Final Four, where you have never been. Then the pandemic hit and the N.C.A.A. tournament was canceled. How often do you think about what might have been?

I don't. When you think about the negative effect that continuing to play those games could have had on a lot of people, me standing up there saying "I'm No. 1" pales in comparison. I would have loved to have played for a championship, but the most important thing is it was the right decision to make.

In the past two years, Roy Williams retired at North Carolina, Mike Krzyzewski retired at Duke and Jay Wright retired at Villanova. You turned 74 last month, you just had hip replacement surgery, and you coached with a ruptured Achilles' tendon in last year's N.C.A.A. tournament. How long do you want to coach?

This is my ministry. This is my calling. This is what I'm built for — to help young people fulfill their dreams. I don't play golf. I don't hunt. I don't fish. I'm boring. I always tell my staff that if I don't come out of the locker room and go to the wrong bench, then I'm going to stay here.

**Game 1 -- Florida State 74,
Newberry College 66**

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – Darin Green, Jr. scored a team-high 15 points to lead Florida State in a 74-66 exhibition game victory over Newberry College at the Donald L. Tucker Center. Green was four of eight from the 3-point line as the Seminoles' cashed in with 11 made shots from beyond the arc in their only exhibition game of the preseason. Florida State began the game with an 8-0 opening lead, as they held the Wolves scoreless for the first 1:37 of the game. The Seminoles biggest lead of the game came in the second half, as they secured a 16-point lead, ultimately winning by eight points. Freshman forward Baba Miller joined Green in the double figure scoring. Miller scored 11 points with 7 rebounds to help the Seminoles gain the win. Three other Seminoles, redshirt junior Caleb Mills, sophomore Naheem McLeod, and freshman Cameron Corhen each scored 10 or more points. Defensively, junior guard Cam'Ron Fletcher pulling down a game-high 10 rebounds. Freshman guard Tom House nearly joined his teammates in double digits, scoring nine points with a .600 shooting percentage (three of five) from both the field and the 3-point line.

**Florida State 74, Newberry College 66
Donald L. Tucker Center**

October 27, 2022

Newberry	Min	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	Reb	F	A	T	B	S	Pts.
McCollum	24	2-10	0-0	1-3	6-2	8	4	0	1	0	1	5
Stremiow	26	2-4	0-1	0-0	4-2	6	5	4	1	0	0	4
Brown	31	6-22	3-9	3-5	1-9	10	0	1	3	0	3	18
Sheppard	31	6-10	1-2	1-3	0-2	2	2	2	3	0	1	14
Byrd	17	3-7	1-3	3-3	1-0	1	3	1	0	0	3	10
Robinson	20	3-9	3-8	0-0	0-3	3	3	5	2	0	1	9
Taylor	15	1-6	0-1	2-2	1-4	5	0	1	1	0	0	4
Seals	6	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1	1	1	0	2	0	0	0
Johnson	18	0-3	0-2	0-0	0-2	2	0	0	1	0	1	0
Downs	12	1-5	0-0	0-0	2-3	5	0	1	0	0	1	0
Team					4-0	4						
Totals	200	24-77	8-27	10-16	19-28	47	18	15	14	0	11	66

Fl. State	Min	FG	3FG	FT	O-D	Reb	F	A	T	B	S	Pts.
Miller	23	4-6	3-5	0-0	1-6	7	3	4	3	1	1	11
McLeod	24	5-7	0-0	1-3	1-8	9	3	0	5	5	0	11
Mills	25	3-6	0-0	4-7	1-3	4	4	9	2	1	0	10
Green, Jr.	37	4-11	4-8	3-3	0-4	4	0	2	0	2	0	15
Cleveland	31	0-9	0-2	0-0	2-3	5	2	2	1	0	1	0
Corhen	16	5-11	0-0	0-0	2-1	3	2	0	1	1	1	10
Fletcher	22	3-9	1-3	1-1	2-8	10	2	2	3	1	2	8
House	19	3-5	3-5	0-0	1-2	3	1	0	0	0	1	9
Spainhour	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Team					1-1	2						
Totals	200	27-64	11-23	9-14	11-36	47	19	19	18	11	6	74

FG% - Newberry, .312, Florida State, .422. 3FG% - Newberry, .296, Florida State, .478. FT% - Newberry, .625, Florida State, .642. Technical Fouls: Newberry -- None. Florida State -- None. Referees - Ron Groover, Trey Styons, JP Pramm.

Newberry	26	40	-	66
Florida State	38	36	-	74