



# FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

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## SPORTS INFORMATION



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### **FLORIDA STATE BASEBALL COMPLETES SWEEP OF MICHIGAN STATE Chris Cole goes 4-for-5 with two home runs in FSU's 9-5 victory**

Tallahassee, Fla. – The 19<sup>th</sup>-ranked Florida State Seminoles (9-5) got 10 hits and eight RBI from the 2-3-4 batters in the lineup as they completed a three-game sweep of Michigan State (0-5) by a score of 9-5 in front of 1,949 fans at Dick Howser Stadium. Florida State has now won six-straight, dating back to February 24<sup>th</sup>. John-Ford Griffin (4-for-5), Ryan Barthelemy (2-for-4) and Chris Cole (4-for-5) were responsible for 10 of FSU's 11 hits and eight of the team's nine RBI.

"We got better today and that's what we want to do," said FSU head coach Mike Martin. "We still have a long way to go to get to where we want to be. We ran the bases well and only had one error in the infield."

Florida State scored first with three runs in the bottom of the first. Ryan Barthelemy's two-run double scored Bryan Zech and Griffin, who were on board after a walk and a double. After Cole's single moved Barthelemy to third, Chris Hart came through with an RBI-single to left.

Barthelemy made it 6-0 FSU in the bottom of the second when he hit a three-run homer over the fence in right. Barthelemy's homer, which was his fourth of the year, scored Zech and Griffin.

MSU cut the lead to 6-4 in the top of the third. Bob Malek had a two-run double, Jared Koutnik scored on a wild pitch and Kyle Geswein singled in the fourth run.

Cole knocked in FSU's next three runs with a solo homer in the fourth inning and a two-run shot in the bottom of the sixth.

FSU starter Robby Read (3-2) was the winner, allowing five runs (four earned) in six innings while striking out seven. Scott Brandell (0-1) gave up six runs in 1.1 innings and took the loss for MSU.

Chris Ginn, Brent Pearson and Justin Lord came out of the FSU bullpen to hold the Spartans scoreless over the last three innings.

"Our relievers came and did well to get us out of some crucial innings," said Martin. "We are looking at Justin Lord as a closer now."

Griffin extended his hitting streak to 10 games and Barthelemy led the team with five RBI.

**IMPORTANT NOTE: FSU'S HOME GAME ON TUESDAY (3/6) AGAINST ST. JOSEPH'S HAS BEEN CHANGED TO A 3:30 PM START.**

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The Automated ScoreBook  
Michigan State at Florida State  
Mar 04, 2001 at Tallahassee, Fla. (Dick Howser)

Michigan State 5 (0-5)

(Pos)	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A
Brett Wattles rf.....	5	2	4	0	0	1	1	0
Jared Koutnik ss.....	5	1	1	0	0	2	0	5
Bob Malek cf.....	3	1	1	2	1	0	2	0
Rick Court c.....	5	0	1	0	0	1	7	0
Kyle Geswein dh.....	4	0	2	2	0	2	0	0
Scott Koerber 1b.....	4	0	0	0	0	3	9	0
Troy Bergman 3b.....	4	0	1	0	0	0	2	2
Chris McCuiston lf.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
David Miller ph/lf.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Charlie Braun 2b.....	2	1	1	0	1	0	2	3
Scott Brandell p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nick Bates p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Domanick Squires p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Totals..... 36 5 11 4 2 10 24 11

Score by innings: R H E

Michigan State	004	010	000	-	5	11	0
Florida State	330	102	00	-	9	11	2

E - Hart(3); Smith(2).

MSU 1. LOB - MSU 8; Seminoles 10.

2b - Malek; Griffin 2(6); Barthelemy(4).

HR - Barthelemy(4); Cole 2(3).

SB - Jernigan(4); Groves 3(6); McCaleb(1). CS - Wattles; Geswein; Braun.

Michigan State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Scott Brandell.....	1.1	6	6	6	2	0	9	12
Nick Bates.....	4.2	4	3	3	2	6	18	21
Domanick Squires....	2.0	1	0	0	1	1	7	10

Win - Read 3-2. Loss - Brandell 0-1. Save - None.

WP - Read(1).

HBP - by Read (Malek); by Brandell (Zech); by Read (Braun); by Bates (Groves); by Squires (Barthelemy); by Squires (Jernigan).

Umpires - Home:Joe Correia 1st:Bruce Ravan 3rd:Al Davis

Start: 1:02 pm Time: 1:58 Attendance: 1949

Game Notes:

John-Ford Griffin extends 10 game hitting streak

FSU has now won six straight games. -

Florida State 9 (9-5)

Name (Pos)	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A
Bryan Zech 2b.....	3	2	0	0	1	1	4	3
John-Ford Griffin lf.....	5	3	4	0	0	1	2	0
Ryan Barthelemy 1b.....	4	2	2	5	0	1	7	0
Chris Cole dh.....	5	2	4	3	0	0	0	0
Karl Jernigan cf.....	2	0	0	0	2	1	0	0
Chris Hart 3b.....	3	0	1	1	0	1	1	1
Jeff Probst ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Scott Toole 3b.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Richie Smith rf.....	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Nick Rogers rf.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brett Groves ss.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	2
Blair McCaleb c.....	3	0	0	0	1	0	10	3
Robby Read p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chris Ginn p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brent Pearson p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Justin Lord p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Totals..... 34 9 11 9 5 7 27 10

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Robby Read.....	6.0	9	5	4	1	7	26	29
Chris Ginn.....	0.1	1	0	0	1	1	2	3
Brent Pearson.....	1.2	1	0	0	0	1	5	5
Justin Lord.....	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	3	3