



2018 SEC Men's Basketball Tournament

St. Louis, Mo. – Scottrade Center

Second Round – Game #5 Notes

Mississippi State 80, LSU 77

MSU advances to face Tennessee Friday at 6 p.m. CT

Series Notes:

- All-Time Series: LSU leads 110-102
- SEC Tournament: Mississippi State leads 5-2
- Season Series: Tied at 1-1
- MSU avenged a 78-57 loss six days ago in Starkville.
- The Bulldogs have won five straight against the Tigers in the SEC Tournament, including last year's tourney.

Game Notes:

- Mississippi State led the game start to finish. A 9-0 run late in the first half gave the Bulldogs their largest lead at 19, 42-23, with 2:21 left before halftime.
- Trailing 62-51 in the second half, the Tigers went on a 15-6 run to trim the Dog lead to two at 68-66 with 5:52 remaining. MSU answered with five straight points, but LSU remained within striking range the rest of the way.
- The Bulldogs shot 58.3 percent, which was their third-highest mark of the season.
- Mississippi State amassed an 8-1 edge in blocked shots.
- Second-chance points were 17-5 in favor of LSU.

Mississippi State Notes:

- MSU improves to 22-10 and snaps a two-game skid.
- The Bulldogs have posted their most wins since going 24-12 in 2010.
- State will play in the SEC Tournament quarterfinals for the first time since 2011.
- On 8-of-11 shooting, Lamar Peters led the team with a season-high 24 points to go with five assists. It marked his third 20-point performance of the year.
- Peters set a season-high in 3-pointers made, going 5-of-7 from behind the arc.
- Aric Holman registered his sixth double-double of the season with 11 points and 12 rebounds to go with a season-high four blocked shots.
- Among four players with double-figure points, Nick and Quindary Weatherspoon each scored 15.

LSU Notes:

- LSU falls to 17-14 and suffers its third loss in the last four games.
- Tremont Waters reaches the 20-point plateau for the 10th time this season with 28, which is the most points scored by a player in this year's SEC Tournament thus far. He added a team-high six assists.
- Brandon Rachal matched his season high with 10 points to go with a team-high nine rebounds.