

WEEK EIGHT
RICE AT FIU

MIAMI -- James Morgan passed for 229 yards and two touchdowns, Maurice Alexander raced 51 yards for a score and Jose Borregales kicked three field goals as Florida International breezed to a 36-17 victory over Rice in Conference USA action on Saturday night.

Evan Marshman's 7-yard TD run gave Rice a 7-0 lead at the end of the first quarter, but the Panthers (5-2, 3-0) took control in the second quarter. Borregales' 32-yard field goal put FIU on the scoreboard, Alexander followed with his long TD run on the Panthers' next possession and Morgan found Austin Maloney for a 33-yard scoring strike. Borregales missed the extra point and FIU led 16-7.

Haden Tobola kicked a 47-yard field goal as time expired in the first half to pull the Owls (1-7, 0-4) within 16-10.

FIU's first drive of the third quarter ended with Borregales' 38-yard field goal and Morgan connected with Shemar Thornton for a 29-yard score and a 26-10 lead. Marshman's 22-yard TD run capped the scoring for Rice and left them trailing 26-17 after three quarters.

The Panthers put the game out of reach on Morgan's 4-yard TD run and Borregales' 47-yard field goal in the fourth quarter.

| Final | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | T |
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| RICE | 7 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 17 |
| FIU | 0 | 16 | 10 | 10 | 36 |

Scoring Summary -----

| | RICE | FIU |
|--|------|-----|
| FIRST QUARTER | | |
| RICE TD 7:40 | | |
| Evan Marshman 7 Yd Run (Jack Fox Kick) | | 0 |
| 12 plays, 75 yards, 7:20 | 7 | |
| SECOND QUARTER | | |
| FIU FG 12:32 | | |
| Jose Borregales 32 Yd Field Goal | | 3 |
| 14 plays, 67 yards, 6:37 | 7 | |
| FIU TD 7:37 | | |
| Maurice Alexander 51 Yd Run (Jose Borregales Kick) | | 10 |
| 6 plays, 79 yards, 2:47 | 7 | |
| FIU TD 4:28 | | |
| Austin Maloney 33 Yd pass from James Morgan (Jose Borregales PAT failed) | | 17 |
| 3 plays, 34 yards, 0:59 | 7 | |
| RICE FG 0:00 | | |
| Haden Tobola 47 Yd Field Goal | | 16 |
| 11 plays, 46 yards, 4:28 | 10 | |
| THIRD QUARTER | | |
| FIU FG 11:05 | | |
| Jose Borregales 38 Yd Field Goal | | 19 |
| 11 plays, 54 yards, 3:55 | 10 | |
| FIU TD 3:30 | | |
| Shemar Thornton 29 Yd pass from James Morgan (Jose Borregales Kick) | | 26 |
| 7 plays, 87 yards, 4:13 | 10 | |
| RICE TD 0:16 | | |
| Evan Marshman 22 Yd Run (Jack Fox Kick) | | 26 |
| 7 plays, 75 yards, 3:14 | 17 | |
| FOURTH QUARTER | | |
| FIU TD 9:45 | | |
| James Morgan 4 Yd Run (Jose Borregales Kick) | | 33 |
| 11 plays, 75 yards, 5:31 | 17 | |
| FIU FG 5:11 | | |
| Jose Borregales 47 Yd Field Goal | | 36 |
| 8 plays, 31 yards, 4:28 | 17 | |

| Team Stats | RICE | FIU |
|-------------------|-------|-------|
| First Downs | 16 | 23 |
| Total Yards | 240 | 446 |
| Total Plays | 50 | 67 |
| Avg Gain Per Play | 4.8 | 6.7 |
| Net Yards Rushing | 125 | 217 |
| Rushes | 29 | 38 |
| Yards Per Rush | 4.3 | 5.7 |
| Net Yards Passing | 115 | 229 |
| Comp-Att | 12-21 | 20-29 |
| Yards Per Pass | 5.5 | 7.9 |
| Times Sacked | 2 | 0 |
| Yds Lost To Sacks | -8 | 0 |
| Interceptions | 3 | 0 |
| Punts | 4 | 2 |
| Punt Average | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Penalties | 0 | 3 |
| Penalty Yards | 0 | 15 |
| Fumbles | 0 | 1 |
| Fumbles Lost | 0 | 0 |
| Possession | 25:12 | 34:48 |

Individual Stats

RUSHING

| RICE | Rush | Yds | Avg | TD | Long |
|---------------|------|-----|------|----|------|
| Evan Marshman | 11 | 68 | 6.2 | 2 | 22 |
| Austin Walter | 16 | 36 | 2.3 | 0 | 6 |
| Juma Otoviano | 1 | 15 | 15.0 | 0 | 15 |
| Aston Walter | 1 | 6 | 6.0 | 0 | 6 |

| FIU | Rush | Yds | Avg | TD | Long |
|-----------------------|------|-----|------|----|------|
| D'Vonte Price | 12 | 79 | 6.6 | 0 | 35 |
| Maurice Alexander | 3 | 62 | 20.7 | 1 | 51 |
| Napoleon Maxwell | 12 | 39 | 3.3 | 0 | 15 |
| Stone Wilson | 1 | 20 | 20.0 | 0 | 20 |
| James Morgan | 3 | 13 | 4.3 | 1 | 11 |
| Shawndarrius Phillips | 4 | 10 | 2.5 | 0 | 5 |
| Team | 3 | -6 | -2.0 | 0 | 0 |

PASSING

| RICE | Comp | Att | Yds | Y/A | TD | Int | QBRat |
|---------------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-------|
| Evan Marshman | 11 | 15 | 107 | 7.1 | 0 | 1 | 119.9 |
| Wiley Green | 1 | 6 | 8 | 1.3 | 0 | 2 | -38.8 |

| FIU | Comp | Att | Yds | Y/A | TD | Int | QBRat |
|--------------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-------|
| James Morgan | 20 | 29 | 229 | 7.9 | 2 | 0 | 158.1 |

RECEIVING

| RICE | Rec | Yds | Avg | TD | Long |
|------------------|-----|-----|------|----|------|
| Austin Trammell | 5 | 57 | 11.4 | 0 | 16 |
| Aaron Cephus | 2 | 24 | 12.0 | 0 | 14 |
| Austin Walter | 2 | 14 | 7.0 | 0 | 9 |
| Jordan Myers | 2 | 12 | 6.0 | 0 | 8 |
| Giovanni Gentosi | 1 | 8 | 8.0 | 0 | 8 |

| FIU | Rec | Yds | Avg | TD | Long |
|-------------------|-----|-----|------|----|------|
| Austin Maloney | 4 | 73 | 18.3 | 1 | 33 |
| D'Vonte Price | 5 | 38 | 7.6 | 0 | 12 |
| CJ Worton | 3 | 36 | 12.0 | 0 | 15 |
| Shemar Thornton | 1 | 29 | 29.0 | 1 | 29 |
| Sterling Palmer | 1 | 23 | 23.0 | 0 | 23 |
| Ivan Thomas | 3 | 16 | 5.3 | 0 | 8 |
| Maurice Alexander | 1 | 14 | 14.0 | 0 | 14 |
| Bryce Singleton | 1 | 4 | 4.0 | 0 | 4 |
| Cadarius Gaskin | 1 | -4 | -4.0 | 0 | 0 |