

Henderson's 3 TDs, Hale's 5 FGs lead Louisiana Tech to win

RUSTON, La. -- Justin Henderson rushed for 141 yards and three touchdowns, Bailey Hale tied a program record with five field goals and Louisiana Tech beat Florida International 43-31 on Friday night.

Hale kicked field goals of 41, 25 and 29 yards in the fourth quarter to give Tech a 36-24 lead with 2:17 remaining. FIU snapped Tech's 16-0 scoring run with an 8-play, 72-yard scoring drive to get within 36-31 with 51 seconds left. But Amik Robertson ran back the ensuing onside kick 30 yards for a TD to seal it. J'Mar Smith was 27-of-41 passing for 290 yards for Louisiana Tech (3-1, 1-0 Conference USA), which entered ranked 26th in the nation for passing offense at 294.7 yards per game. Hale also made five field goals last season against North Texas.

James Morgan, who didn't play last week because of an injury, threw for 394 yards with two touchdowns and one interception for FIU (1-3, 0-2).

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FIU	0	10	14	7	31
LT	0	13	14	16	43

Scoring Summary -----

	FIU	LT
SECOND QUARTER		
LT FG 14:56 Bailey Hale 25 Yd Field Goal		
13 plays, 73 yards, 5:48	0	3
FIU FG 12:24 Jose Borregales 36 Yd Field Goal		
7 plays, 51 yards, 2:32	3	3
LT TD 9:26 Justin Henderson 29 Yd Run (Bailey Hale Kick)		
6 plays, 71 yards, 2:58	3	10
FIU TD 0:52 James Morgan 15 Yd Run (Jose Borregales Kick)		
9 plays, 74 yards, 2:45	10	10
LT FG 0:00 Bailey Hale 45 Yd Field Goal		
6 plays, 28 yards, 0:52	10	13
THIRD QUARTER		
FIU TD 13:24 Anthony Jones 2 Yd Run (Jose Borregales Kick)		
4 plays, 75 yards, 1:36	17	13
LT TD 8:50 Justin Henderson 6 Yd Run (Bailey Hale Kick)		
10 plays, 86 yards, 4:34	17	20
FIU TD 6:57 Shemar Thornton 31 Yd pass from James Morgan (Jose Borregales Kick)		
4 plays, 60 yards, 1:53	24	20
LT TD 4:16 Justin Henderson 6 Yd Run (Bailey Hale Kick)		
8 plays, 75 yards, 2:41	24	27
FOURTH QUARTER		
LT FG 13:17 Bailey Hale 41 Yd Field Goal		
11 plays, 71 yards, 4:13	24	30
LT FG 5:09 Bailey Hale 25 Yd Field Goal		
12 plays, 64 yards, 7:10	24	33
LT FG 2:17 Bailey Hale 29 Yd Field Goal		
6 plays, 33 yards, 1:36	24	36
FIU TD 0:51 Anthony Jones 1 Yd pass from James Morgan (Jose Borregales Kick)		
8 plays, 72 yards, 1:26	31	36
LT TD 0:46 Amik Robertson 30 Yd Kickoff Return (Bailey Hale Kick)		
0 plays, 0 yards, 0:00	31	43

Team Stats	FIU	LT
First Downs	29	31
Passes for First	19	14
Rushes for First	8	16
Penalties for First	2	1
Third Down Efficiency	2-10	10-17
Fourth Down Efficiency	2-3	0-0
Total Yards	526	565
Total Plays	67	84
Avg Gain Per Play	7.9	6.7
Net Yards Rushing	132	275
Rushes	26	43
Yards Per Rush	5.1	6.4
Net Yards Passing	394	290
Comp-Att	29-41	27-41
Yards Per Pass	9.6	7.1
Times Sacked	3	1
Yds Lost To Sacks	-11	-3
Interceptions	1	1
Punts	3	2
Punt Average	50.3	37.5
Penalties	4	5
Penalty Yards	50	38
Fumbles	1	1
Fumbles Lost	1	0
Time of Poss	23:13	36:47

Individual Stats

RUSHING

	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
FIU					
Napoleon Maxwell	8	78	9.8	0	21
Anthony Jones	9	35	3.9	1	14
D'Vonte Price	3	9	3.0	0	5
James Morgan	4	7	1.8	1	15
Kaylan Wiggins	2	3	1.5	0	5
LOUISIANA TECH					
Justin Henderson	15	141	9.4	3	29
Jaqwis Dancy	17	73	4.3	0	12
J'Mar Smith	10	63	6.3	0	19
Smoke Harris	1	-2	-2.0	0	0

PASSING

	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
FIU							
James Morgan	29	41	394	9.6	2	1	88.8
LOUISIANA TECH							
J'Mar Smith	27	41	290	7.1	0	1	69.7

RECEIVING

	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
FIU					
Austin Maloney	5	113	22.6	0	45
Shemar Thornton	7	97	13.9	1	31
Tony Gaiter IV	7	87	12.4	0	18
Maurice Alexander	4	36	9.0	0	25
Anthony Jones	3	24	8.0	1	15
Napoleon Maxwell	2	19	9.5	0	10
Cadarius Gaskin	1	18	18.0	0	18
LOUISIANA TECH					
Griffin Hebert	5	78	15.6	0	54
Malik Stanley	3	54	18.0	0	29
Cee Jay Powell	6	52	8.7	0	13
Adrian Hardy	5	49	9.8	0	14
Smoke Harris	3	24	8.0	0	22
Jaqwis Dancy	4	23	5.8	0	8
Isaiah Graham	1	10	10.0	0	10