



# MISSISSIPPI STATE BASEBALL

## 2021 NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

133 Seasons | 39 NCAA Tournament Appearances | 12 College World Series Appearances | 19 MLB First Round Draft Picks

### SCORECARD SUMMARIES

2023 statistics listed | Probable starters based on previous games

Pos.	Name	Elg.	B/T	Ht./Wt.	Avg.	R	H	RBI	Notes
C	Luke Hancock	Sr.	L/R	5-11/195	.625	5	5	1	MSU's captain; On a four-game hitting streak dating back to last year; Three of five hits have been doubles;
1B	Hunter Hines	So.	L/R	6-3/210	.111	2	1	1	Hit is first home run of the season in game two of the series against VMI
2B	Amani Larry	Jr.	R/R	5-11/190	.667	4	6	5	Went 4-4 with 4 RBIs in first game against VMI; Has an RBI in both games; Three of six hits are doubles
SS	Lane Forsythe	Jr.	R/R	5-10/175	.143	2	1	1	Had 2 double plays, 1 with the bases loaded to get out of the 6th in game one; Picked up a bases loaded walk in game two
3B	Slate Alford	So.	R/R	6-3/220	.556	3	5	2	Went 3 for 4 with 2 RBIs in his first game against VMI; On a two-game hitting streak
LF	Colton Ledbetter	Jr.	L/R	6-2/220	.556	5	5	6	Improved his hitting streak to 3 games by going 4-for-5 in game two against VMI; Picked up a season-high six RBIs in game 2
CF	Dakota Jordan	Fr.	R/R	6-0/200	.222	1	2	0	Has a hit in each of his two games as a Dawg; Picked up three walks in game one of the VMI series
RF	Kellum Clark	Jr.	L/R	6-4/205	.222	3	2	1	Improved his hitting streak to 8 games in a row after getting a hit against VMI
DH	Bryce Chance	Fr.	R/R	5-10/180	.667	4	6	7	Hit a two-run home run in his first game vs VMI; Has three hits in each game this season; Drove in four runs in game two of VMI series

### DAWG BITES

- Looking to set an Opening Weekend Record:** The Dawgs are looking to set an Opening Weekend attendance record for the second straight season. The Dawgs drew 10,652 fans on opening day, which set an Opening Day record. On Saturday, 12,213 were in attendance. Over the first two games, the Dawgs have drawn 22,865 fans into Dudy Noble Field. MSU will need to draw 11,460 to set the new record. Last season against Long Beach State, the Dawgs drew 34,325 on Opening Weekend.
- The Dude Effect:** Winning at home has been challenging for opponents when coming to The Dude. Since 1967, the Diamond Dawgs have had a 72.9 winning percentage when playing at home. Under Head Coach Chris Lemonis, the Dawgs are 95-31 (75.8%) at Dudy Noble Field.
- Ledbetter Shines in Game Two:** Colton Ledbetter had a huge second game as a Dawg on Saturday. He went 4-for-5 at the plate and drove in a season-high six runs. In the bottom of the first inning, Ledbetter had two at-bats and collected a two-run homer and a double that scored three. He also drew a walk in the contest.
- Seeing Double:** The Dawgs are seeing double this season. MSU is averaging five doubles a game and have ten over the first two games of the year, and this is the most by a Southeastern Conference school. Leading the double parade is a trio of Dawgs, Amani Larry, Luke Hancock, and Colton Ledbetter; all have three doubles.
- Hot Bats for the Dawgs:** After two games of the season, the Dawgs are swinging the hottest bats in the Southeastern Conference. Mississippi State is hitting .407 on the season and have 33

hits in two games. MSU opened the season with 16 hits on Friday night and collected 17 more on Saturday.

- Hot Start for Beans:** After making his first start of his career on Friday night against VMI, Bryce Chance continued to be a force for the Diamond Dawgs at the plate. Over the first two games of the season, Chance is hitting .667 and has three hits in each game. Besides collecting hits, Beans has driven home seven runs for the Dawgs.
- Stopper of the Year:** Before the Dawgs' first pitch of the season, Aaron Nixon and Nate Dohm were named to the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association (NCBWA) Preseason Stopper of the Year Watch List. The award is given to the top reliever in college baseball.
- Did you know that the Diamond Dawgs are one of three programs in NCAA History and the only Southeastern Conference program to play in the NCAA Men's College World Series in six-straight decades?
- Midweek Times:** The Diamond Dawgs start their midweek action with a two-game homestand against ULM. The following weekend will see Arizona State come to town. The midweek homestand against ULM is set for a 4 p.m. Tuesday start and a 3 p.m. Wednesday first pitch.
- Mississippi State's **Luke Hancock** and **Colton Ledbetter** are two of 25 players selected to the Preseason All-SEC baseball teams by the league's coaches. Hancock was named second-team catcher, while Ledbetter was named a second-team outfielder.

### PITCHING PROBABLES

\* - Game started

#### MISS STATE - #36 LANDON GARTMAN | RHP

##### Quick Stats

	W-L	ERA	BAA	IP	SO/BB
2023	0-0	0.00	.000	0.0	0/0
Career	7-1	3.56	.175	86.0	94/29

##### Last Three Appearances (At Memphis)

5/24/22	vs. UCF	W, 7-6
7.0 IP, 4 H, 3 R, 3 ER, 3 BB, 6 K (Win)		
5/19/22	at Tulane	W, 11-3
5.0 IP, 1 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 10 K (Win)		
5/13/22	at Cincinnati	L, 3-6
7.0 IP, 7 H, 4 R, 4 ER, 2 BB, 7 K (Loss)		

#### VMI - #35 WILL LOPEZ | LHP

##### Quick Stats

	W-L	ERA	BAA	IP	SO/BB
2023	0-0	0.00	.000	0.0	0/0
Career	6-2	5.33	.268	81.0	66/47

##### Last Three Appearances

5/25/22	vs. Western Carolina	L, 1-4
1.0 IP, 3 H, 3 R, 1 ER, 1 BB, 0 K (ND)		
5/20/22	Wofford	L, 3-4
1.2 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 2 BB, 0 K (ND)		
5/15/22	at Mercer	L, 7-8
4.0 IP, 1 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 4 BB, 4 K (ND)		

### STREAKS

#### HITTING STREAKS

PLAYER	SEASON	CURRENT	CAREER
Hunter Hines	1	1	12
Colton Ledbetter	2	3	10*
Luke Hancock	2	4	9
Connor Hujzak	--	--	8*
Wit Hoyle	--	--	7*
Lane Forsythe	1	--	6
Kellum Clark	2	8	8
Aaron Downs	--	-	2
Slate Alford	2	2	2
Von Seibert	--	--	2
Amani Larry	2	2	2
Dakota Jordan	2	2	2
Bryce Chance	2	2	2

#### REACHED-BASE STREAKS

PLAYER	SEASON	CURRENT	CAREER
Luke Hancock	2	19	19
Kellum Clark	2	17	17
Hunter Hines	2	2	10
Lane Forsythe	1	1	10
Von Seibert	--	--	6
Slate Alford	2	2	4
Aaron Downs	1	1	3
Dakota Jordan	2	2	2
Colton Ledbetter	2	2	2
Bryce Chance	2	2	2
Amani Larry	2	2	2

\* - indicates streaks from previous school

## 2023 SEASON STATISTICS

Record: 1-1 Home: 1-1 Away: 0-0 SEC: 0-0

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so	gdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	po	a	e	fld%
8 Larry, Amani	.667	2-2	9	4	6	3	0	0	5	9	1.000	2	0	0	0	.727	0	0	2-2	7	4	0	1.000
38 Chance, Bryce	.667	2-2	9	3	6	1	0	1	7	10	1.111	1	0	0	0	.700	0	0	1-1	0	0	0	.000
20 Hancock, Luke	.625	2-2	8	5	5	3	0	0	1	8	1.000	1	0	1	0	.600	1	0	0-0	22	2	0	1.000
10 Ledbetter, Colton	.556	2-2	9	1	5	3	0	1	6	11	1.222	2	0	0	0	.636	0	0	1-1	2	0	0	1.000
24 Alford, Slate	.556	2-2	9	3	5	0	0	0	2	5	.556	0	0	0	0	.500	1	0	0-0	1	1	2	.500
42 Jordan, Dakota	.222	2-2	9	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	.222	3	0	2	0	.417	0	0	0-0	5	0	0	1.000
11 Clark, Kellum	.222	2-2	9	3	2	0	0	0	1	2	.222	1	0	0	1	.300	0	0	0-0	3	1	0	1.000
43 Forsythe, Lane	.143	2-2	7	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	.143	3	0	0	1	.400	0	0	2-2	2	3	2	.714
44 Hines, Hunter	.111	2-2	9	2	1	0	0	1	1	4	.444	2	0	1	0	.273	0	0	0-0	11	1	1	.923
-----																							
13 Chester, Nate	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
27 Hoyle, Wil	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	1	0	1.000
7 Hujzak, Connor	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
33 Seibert, Von	.000	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	1	0	0	1.000
5 Downs, Aaron	.000	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	1.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Totals	.407	2	81	24	33	10	0	3	24	52	.642	16	0	4	2	.495	2	0	6-6	54	17	6	.922
Opponents	.231	2	65	16	15	3	0	1	12	21	.323	16	2	23	2	.388	2	2	14-15	51	20	2	.973

LOB - Team (24), Opp (17). DPs turned - Team (2), Opp (2).

### (All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-l	app	gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bk	sfa	sha
25 Dohm, Nate	0.00	0-1	2	0	0	0/0	0	4.1	3	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	.231	0	0	0	1	0
15 Smith, Cade	0.00	1-0	1	1	0	0/0	0	4.0	2	0	0	2	5	1	0	0	.154	0	1	0	0	1
6 Forsythe, Logan	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	.250	1	0	0	0	0
26 Hardin, Tyson	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0
32 Stinnett, Parker	5.40	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.2	2	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	.400	0	1	0	1	1
39 Yntema, Graham	6.75	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.1	5	2	1	1	3	1	0	0	.500	0	0	1	0	0
45 Davis, Tyler	7.71	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	2.1	1	2	2	3	4	0	0	1	.111	0	0	0	0	0
2 Hunt, KC	22.50	0-0	1	1	0	0/0	0	2.0	1	5	5	6	4	0	0	0	.143	1	0	0	0	0
21 Holcombe, Colby	81.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	0.1	0	3	3	3	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	6.00	1-1	2	2	0	0/0	0	18.0	15	16	12	16	23	3	0	1	.231	2	2	1	2	2
Opponents	12.18	1-1	2	2	0	0/0	1	17.0	33	24	23	16	4	10	0	3	.407	1	0	0	2	0

PB - Team (1), Hancock 1. Pickoffs - Team (1), Smith 1. SBA/ATT - Hancock (14-15), Hunt (8-8), Dohm (1-2), Smith (2-2), Holcombe (1-1), Stinnett (1-1), Yntema (1-1).