



# 2018 LSU BASEBALL

at Louisiana-Lafayette - March 7 (6:30 p.m.)

Alex Box Stadium, Skip Bertman Field (10,326)

## Schedule/Results (9-4)

February			
16 (Fri.)	NOTRE DAME	W, 7-6	SECN+
17 (Sat.)	NOTRE DAME	L, 5-10	SECN+
18 (Sun.)	NOTRE DAME	L, 3-11	SECN+
21 (Wed.)	NEW ORLEANS	W, 14-6	SECN+
23 (Fri.)	TEXAS	W, 13-4	SECN+
24 (Sat.)	TEXAS	W, 10-5	SECN+
25 (Sun.)	TEXAS	L, 1-11	SECN+
27 (Tue.)	GRAMBLING	W, 10-3	SECN+
28 (Wed.)	at Southeastern Louisiana	L, 4-5	CST

March			
2 (Fri.)	TOLEDO	W, 8-1	SECN+
3 (Sat.)	SACRED HEART	W, 7-0	SECN+
4 (Sun.)	SOUTHEASTERN LA.	W, 4-2	SECN+
6 (Tue.)	SOUTHERN	W, 8-2	SECN+
7 (Wed.)	at Louisiana-Lafayette	6:30 p.m.	CST
9 (Fri.)	HAWAII	7 p.m.	SECN+
10 (Sat.)	HAWAII	6:30 p.m.	SECN+
11 (Sun.)	HAWAII	2 p.m.	SECN+
14 (Wed.)	SOUTH ALABAMA	6:30 p.m.	SECN+
16 (Fri.)	MISSOURI	6:30 p.m.	SECN+
17 (Sat.)	MISSOURI	6 p.m.	SECN
18 (Sun.)	MISSOURI	2 p.m.	SECN+
21 (Wed.)	TULANE	6:30 p.m.	SECN+
23 (Fri.)	at Vanderbilt	8 p.m.	ESPNU
24 (Sat.)	at Vanderbilt	7:30 p.m.	ESPNU
25 (Sun.)	at Vanderbilt	12 p.m.	ESPN2
27 (Tue.)	Louisiana-Lafayette *	7 p.m.	CST
29 (Thu.)	MISSISSIPPI STATE	7 p.m.	SECN
30 (Fri.)	MISSISSIPPI STATE	7 p.m.	SECN+
31 (Sat.)	MISSISSIPPI STATE	2 p.m.	SECN+

April			
3 (Tue.)	NICHOLLS	6:30 p.m.	SECN+
5 (Thu.)	at Texas A&M	7 p.m.	SECN
6 (Fri.)	at Texas A&M	6 p.m.	SECN
7 (Sat.)	at Texas A&M	2 p.m.	SECN+
10 (Tue.)	LOUISIANA TECH	6:30 p.m.	SECN+
13 (Fri.)	TENNESSEE	7 p.m.	SECN+
14 (Sat.)	TENNESSEE	6:30 p.m.	SECN+
15 (Sun.)	TENNESSEE	4 p.m.	SECN
18 (Wed.)	at Tulane	6:30 p.m.	TBA
20 (Fri.)	at South Carolina	6 p.m.	SECN+
21 (Sat.)	at South Carolina	3 p.m.	SECN+
22 (Sun.)	at South Carolina	12:30 p.m.	SECN+
24 (Tue.)	LAMAR	6:30 p.m.	SECN+
26 (Thu.)	at Ole Miss	7 p.m.	SECN
27 (Fri.)	at Ole Miss	6:30 p.m.	SECN+
28 (Sat.)	at Ole Miss	3 p.m.	ESPNU

May			
4 (Fri.)	ARKANSAS	7 p.m.	SECN+
5 (Sat.)	ARKANSAS	7 p.m.	SECN
6 (Sun.)	ARKANSAS	2 p.m.	SECN+
9 (Wed.)	McNEESE STATE	6:30 p.m.	SECN+
11 (Fri.)	ALABAMA	7 p.m.	SECN+
12 (Sat.)	ALABAMA	7 p.m.	SECN
13 (Sun.)	ALABAMA	2 p.m.	SECN+
15 (Tue.)	NORTHWESTERN STATE	6:30 p.m.	SECN+
17 (Thu.)	at Auburn	6 p.m.	SECN+
18 (Fri.)	at Auburn	6 p.m.	SECN+
19 (Sat.)	at Auburn	1 p.m.	SECN+
22-27	SEC Tournament	Hoover, Ala.	

June			
1-4	NCAA Regional	Sites TBA	
8-11	NCAA Super Regional	Sites TBA	
16-27	College World Series	Omaha, Neb.	

\* - Wally Pontiff Jr. Classic at Shrine on Airline (Metairie, La.)

## #13 LSU Fighting Tigers (9-4) at UL-Lafayette Cajuns (4-7)

### RANKINGS

LSU – No. 13 by Collegiate Baseball; No. 16 by Baseball America

ULL – unranked

### RADIO

LSU Sports Network; Baton Rouge affiliate is WDGL 98.1 FM

Live audio and live stats at [www.LSUsports.net](http://www.LSUsports.net)

### TV/ONLINE

Cox Sports Television/ESPN3.com (available at WatchESPN.com and the Watch ESPN app)

### SERIES RECORD VS. UL-LAFAYETTE

LSU leads the all-time series with UL-Lafayette, 55-24, as the squads first met in 1912. LSU has won five in a row and 15 of the 20 meetings with ULL since 2000. The schools have met in each of the past three seasons in Metairie, La., at the Wally Pontiff Jr. Classic, and LSU posted a 3-2 win over the Cajuns in last year's matchup. Tonight's game marks LSU's first visit to Lafayette since February 26, 2013, when the Tigers posted an 11-2 win over the Cajuns. The Tigers are 16-6 all-time in games played in Lafayette, including a 5-3 mark in their eight trips to Moore Field since 1985. LSU and ULL will meet again later this season in the Pontiff Classic on March 27 at the Shrine on Airline in Metairie. LSU coach Paul Mainieri has an 11-3 career mark against UL-Lafayette.

### PITCHING MATCHUP

LSU – Fr. RHP AJ Labas (0-0, 0.00 ERA, 2.0 IP, 1 BB, 0 SO)

ULL – LHP Colten Schmidt (1-0, 1.69 ERA, 16.0 IP, 1 BB, 15 SO)

### LSU COACH PAUL MAINIERI

• LSU coach **Paul Mainieri** is in his 36th season as a college coach with six seasons at St. Thomas University (1983-88), six seasons at Air Force (1989-94), 12 seasons at Notre Dame (1995-2006) and he is in his 12th season at LSU (2007-present) ... his overall record is 1,385-698-7 and he is 521-206-3 at LSU ... he was inducted in January 2014 into the American Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame, and he will serve as the head coach of the USA Collegiate National Team this summer ... Mainieri is No. 4 on the NCAA Division I active coaches win list, and he is one of only seven coaches in NCAA Division I history to win over 1,300 games and a national championship ... he earned National Coach of the Year recognition in 2008, 2009 and 2015 ... Mainieri directed LSU to the 2009 College World Series title, and he also has led the Tigers to CWS appearances in 2008, 2013, 2015 and 2017 ... he has directed LSU to eight NCAA Tournament National Seeds in the past 10 seasons and six in a row (2008-09, 2012-17) ... Mainieri has guided the Tigers to seven NCAA Regional titles and five Super Regional championships ... under Mainieri, the Tigers have won six SEC Tournament titles (2008, 2009, 2010, 2013, 2014, 2017), six SEC Western Division titles (2008, 2009, 2012, 2013, 2015, 2017) and four SEC regular-season championships (2009, 2012, 2015, 2017).

### ABOUT THE TIGERS

• LSU won four of five games last week, and the Tigers are No. 13 in this week's Collegiate Baseball poll, marking the 118th consecutive week the Tigers have appeared in the poll.

• Last night, LSU won its fourth straight game with an 8-2 victory over Southern. Junior right-hander Cam Sanders matched his career-high in strikeouts with eight and sophomore outfielder Zach Watson went 3-for-5 with two runs and a RBI to pace the Tigers. Watson, who had been sidelined for two weeks by a pulled oblique muscle, played Tuesday night for the first time since February 18 versus Notre Dame.

• As a staff, LSU pitchers have allowed just five runs on 20 hits during the Tigers' four-game win streak, recording a 1.25 ERA and a .160 opponent batting average.

• Freshman right-hander AJ Labas will make his second career LSU appearance tonight versus UL-Lafayette. He made his first career appearance on Sunday in a start against Southeastern Louisiana, firing two shutout innings while allowing one hit with one walk. Labas was the 17th-round draft selection of the New York Mets in 2017, and he was 9-0 last season with a 0.50 ERA (82 Ks in 65 innings) at Trinity Christian High School in Fleming Island, Fla.

• Sophomore right-hander Zack Hess was named a Collegiate Baseball National Player of the Week on Monday after he fired a career-high 13 strikeouts on Friday to lead LSU to a victory over Toledo ... Hess worked seven innings, allowing one run on six hits with no walks while throwing 109 pitches ... his 13 strikeouts marked the most by an LSU pitcher since March 28, 2015, when Alex Lange recorded 13 Ks versus Kentucky ... Hess, who defeated Texas last weekend while posting 10 strikeouts, has recorded 25 strikeouts in 15.1 innings this season.

• Sophomore third baseman Jake Slaughter hit .421 (8-for-19) in five games last week with one homer, six RBI and four runs scored.

• Senior outfielder/DH Beau Jordan also hit .421 (8-for-19) last week with one double, one triple, one homer, three RBI and five runs ... Jordan's triple in Saturday's game against Sacred Heart was the first triple of his four-year career.

• Junior outfielder Antoine Duplantis batted .389 (7-for-18) last week with one homer, four RBI, five runs and one stolen base ... Duplantis is the only LSU player to have reached base safely in all 13 of the Tigers' games this season.

• Junior second baseman Brandt Broussard is riding a hitting streak of 10 games entering tonight's game at UL-Lafayette.