



MICHIGAN STATE (93) VS. DELAWARE (78) – POSTGAME NOTES

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- Michigan State made 53.8 percent of its shots from the field in the first half, and held Delaware to 36.7 percent shooting.
- The Spartans outrebounded Delaware, 22-10, in the opening half.
- Michigan State's largest lead of the first half, 36-18, came after a 12-0 run from the 9:44 mark to 6:34.
- The Blue Hens countered with an 11-0 run over a three-minute span.
- Delaware's largest lead of the opening half was four points, 6-2, just over two minutes into the game.
- Two minutes into the second half, the Blue Hens closed the score within five points, but MSU scored eight of the next 10 to spread the margin back to double digits.
- The Spartans led for 36 minutes in a game that featured four early lead changes and two ties.
- Michigan State finished with a 42-24 rebound advantage.
- It was the first ever meeting between the programs.
- In its 17th straight NCAA Tournament appearance, Michigan State advanced to the third round.
- MSU improved to 57-26 all-time in its 28th trip to the NCAA Tournament.
- Tom Izzo won his 40th NCAA Tournament game, and his .727 winning percentage in the tournament is seventh among active coaches.
- MSU is 22-6 all-time in its first game of the NCAA tournament. Under Izzo, Michigan State is 13-4 in the round of 64.
- Michigan State is now 4-0 in Spokane and 3-0 in Spokane during the NCAA Tournament. In its last trip to Spokane in the tournament in 2010, Michigan State advanced to the Final Four.
- The Spartans are 7-1 all-time on March 20, including 5-1 on a neutral court.
- Adreian Payne matched his career high of three-pointers made in the first half with a 4-for-4 start.
- Payne scored 23 points in the first half, shooting 6-of-8 from the field and 7-for-7 from the free throw line.
- Michigan State's eight made three-pointers in the first half were one shy of the Spokane Arena record for three-pointers made in a single half set by Gonzaga in 2009.
- Payne finished with a career-high 41 points, which set new record single game scoring records for the Spokane Arena and MSU in the NCAA Tournament.
- Payne became the first player to score 40 points in the tournament since Stephen Curry against Gonzaga in the first round in 2008.
- Payne's 17-for-17 finish from the free throw line is a new Spokane Arena by percentage with most makes. Richie Frahm and Derek Raivio both finished 10-of-10 for Gonzaga.
- It was one made free throw shy of a Spokane Arena record.
- MSU has posted at least a 10-0 run in 18 games this season.
- The Spartans are 8-1 on a neutral court this season.
- Michigan State is 27-2 when it finishes with a better field goal percentage than its opponent this season, but is 0-6 when the opponent has a higher percentage.
- MSU is 16-2 when it has reached 70 points this season, and 14-0 when scoring 80.
- The Spartans have won all five of their games played on a Thursday this season.
- Delaware is now 0-30 against teams ranked in the top 25.
- The Blue Hens shot above their three-point field goal percentage by shooting 42 percent, making eight.
- Michigan State's 91 percent free throw shooting was the best by a Delaware opponent this year.
- Michigan State's 56 percent three point shooting is the second best by a Delaware opponent this year.
- Delaware tied a Spokane Arena record for the lowest three-point field goal attempts in a game with eight.
- Adreian Payne's 41 points is the most by an individual on the opposing team this year allowed by Delaware.
- The Blue Hens went four minutes without a field goal in the second half.
- Saddler has now scored in double figures in 65 of his last 67 games.
- By playing in tonight's game Saddler has now played in 124 career games, which ties a school record.
- Delaware is now 0-5 in their NCAA Tournament appearances.
- The Blue Hens are now 4-1 at neutral game sites this season.