

HALFTIME: Iowa 30, Michigan State 0

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IOWA CITY, Iowa – At halftime inside Kinnick Stadium, the No. 18 Iowa Hawkeyes lead the No. 5 Michigan State Spartans, 30-0.

Iowa took the ball on its opening possession and proceeded right down the field 80 yards. The 12-play scoring drive was capped when quarterback Ricky Stanzi found wide receiver Colin Sandeman for a 3-yard touchdown pass to put the Hawkeyes ahead 7-0.

After a 3-and-out from Michigan State, Iowa extended its lead to 10-0 on the following series when kicker Michael Meyer connected on a 37-yard field goal attempt.

In the quarter's final minute, the Hawkeyes pulled off a play for the ages. Safety Tyler Sash intercepted a Kirk Cousins throw, and lateraled the ball to cornerback Micah Hyde, who returned it 66 yards on his older brother's team for an Iowa touchdown, giving the Hawkeyes a 17-0 lead after one quarter. The interception was the 13th of Sash's career, and the Oskaloosa native is now six picks away from becoming Iowa's all-time career leader.

After cornerback Shaun Prater halted a Spartan drive with an interception of his own, Stanzi threw his second touchdown pass of the afternoon, finding running back Adam Robinson for a 32-yard strike. Meyer, however, would miss the extra point, so the Hawkeyes moved ahead 23-0.

Iowa would get the ball one last time in the first half, and made the most of the possession. Stanzi hit tight end Brad

Herman for a 56-yard completion to the Michigan State 5-yard line. After an illegal substitution penalty on the Spartans, Robinson ran in from two yards out to build the Hawkeye lead to 30-0.

Be sure to visit *HawkeyeDrive.com* later this evening for complete coverage of Iowa's game against Michigan State.