TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING POST-GAME NOTES Lightning 4 vs. Panthers 2 from Amerant Bank Arena

	1ST	2ND	3RD	FINAL	PP
Tampa Bay	2	1	1	4	0-2
Florida	2	0	0	2	0-2

Post-game audio from Brandon Hagel, Mikhail Sergachev and head coach Jon Cooper can be found on soundcloud.com/tblightning

Post-Game Notes

- The Tampa Bay Lightning closed out the preseason with a 4-2 win over the Florida Panthers on Saturday night at Amerant Bank Arena.
- The Lightning finished the preseason with a 5-2-0 record and won their 99th alltime preseason game.
- The Lightning netted 22 goals to their opponents 18 in seven preseason games.
- The Bolts were outshot in each of their final six games of the preseason.
- The Panthers rattled off 29 shots to Tampa Bay's 23. Brandon Hagel fired a team-high four shots on goal.
- Tampa Bay outshot the Panthers 10-6 in the third period.
- Mikey Eyssimont finished the preseason with 13 shots on goal, the most of any Bolts skater.
- Lightning goaltender Jonas Johansson made 27 saves on 29 shots to earn his third preseason win.
- Tanner Jeannot dished out a game-high four hits.
- Steven Stamkos and Anthony Cirelli each went 5-for-9 in the faceoff circle.
- The Lightning went 0-for-2 on the power play and did not score a power-play goal for the first time all preseason.
- Tampa Bay finished the preseason going 8-for-24 (33.3%) on the power play. Entering tonight's game, the Bolts' power play ranked second in the NHL at 36.4%, behind only the New Jersey Devils (38.1%).

- The Lightning were shorthanded 25 times during the preseason and managed to kill of 23 of those penalties to finish the preseason with a 92% penalty-killing percentage.
- Prior to tonight's game, the Lightning penalty kill ranked second in the NHL at 91.3% behind only the Chicago Blackhawks (93.8%).
- Tanner Jeannot helped the Lightning take an early 1-0 lead, redirecting a shot from Darren Raddysh at 2:37 of the first period.
- Jeannot's goal was his second of the preseason, both being the game-opening goal and against the Panthers.
- Raddysh collected his third point of the preseason (0-3—3 pts.) in his fifth game.
- Waltteri Merela picked up the secondary assist, his team-leading fourth point of the preseason (2-2—4 pts.).
- Ryan Lomberg scored a shorthanded goal at 11:34 of the first period to tie the game 1-1.
- Johansson's shutout streak came to an end after 131 minutes and 34 seconds.
- Anthony Cirelli gave the Lightning a 2-1 lead with a backhand shot at 17:01 of the first period.
- Cirelli scored his team-leading third goal of the preseason.
- Conor Sheary picked up the lone assist, grabbing the puck after a Panthers turnover. Sheary picked up his fourth point of the preseason (1-3—4 pts.), tying Merela for the team lead.
- Eetu Luostarinen scored 32 seconds after Cirelli to tie the game at 17:33 of the first period.
- Brandon Hagel scored shorthanded after intercepting a pass in the neutral zone at 12:18 of the second period to give the Lightning a 3-2 lead.
- Hagel tied Waltteri Merela and Conor Sheary for the team lead in preseason points with four (2-2—4 pts.).
- Both of Hagel's goals in the preseason have come shorthanded.

- Brayden Point tallied his third point of the preseason (1-2—3 pts.) with a goal 40 seconds into the third period, extending the Bolts lead to 4-2.
- Nikita Kucherov (2-2—4 pts.) and Steven Stamkos (1-2—3 pts.) each collected an assist on the play.
- The Lightning will open the regular season against the Nashville Predators on Tuesday night at AMALIE Arena. Puck drop is scheduled for 5:30pm.
- GAME ONe is a day-long event to celebrate the opening of the 2023-24 Lightning and NHL Season LIVE on ESPN.
- GAME ONe will feature a FREE pre-game performance on Ford Thunder Alley by special musical guest, Grammy Award-winning artist, Big Boi, setting the stage for an exhilarating day celebrating the return of hockey in Tampa Bay. The night will also close out with a post-game concert for those in attendance, also on Ford Thunder Alley.
- For more information regarding GAME ONe, fans are encouraged to visit <u>www.TampaBayLightning.com/GAMEONe</u>.