



## ARKANSAS STATE POSTGAME NOTES

Arkansas State vs Troy | November 26, 2022 | Centennial Bank Stadium

### TEAM:

- Senior QB **James Blackman**, senior TE **Reed Tyler**, senior RB **Johnnie Lang** and junior DL **TW Ayers** were A-State team captains and represented the Red Wolves at midfield for the coin toss.
- Arkansas State led at halftime of a game for the seventh time this season, ending the year with a 3-4 record in those games.

### OFFENSE:

- Senior QB **James Blackman** posted the longest rush of his career at A-State, scoring a touchdown on a 30-yard run that gave the Red Wolves a 13-7 lead ... He posted his third rushing score of the season and fourth of his career.
- Junior QB **AJ Mayer** threw his second TD pass of the season, giving him 12 for his entire collegiate career.
- Senior TE **Reed Tyler** posted his first TD reception of the season and the fourth of his career ... His scoring catch gave A-State 19-14 lead and was his first since Oct. 15, 2020, vs Georgia State.

### DEFENSE:

- Junior CB **Samy Johnson** recorded his first interception of the season and sixth of his career, returning it 69 yards to the Troy 2-yard line ... A-State posted at least one interception in a game for the fourth time this year and had six total.
- Junior LB **Jaden Harris** posted his first solo sack of the season, giving him 2.0 total this year and 3.5 for his career ... Harris also recorded a forced fumble and posted six tackles.
- Senior DE **Kivon Bennett** posted his first two forced fumbles of the season and now has four for his career ... Bennett finished with a career-tying 2.0 sacks, giving him 5.5 this season and 20.0 for his career ... Bennett also tied his season high for tackles with eight.
- Junior DL **TW Ayers** recorded the first fumble recovery of his career ... A-State posted at least one fumble recovery in a game for the fifth time this year and now has six total this season.
- The Arkansas State defense forced multiple turnovers in a game for the fourth time this season.

### SPECIAL TEAMS:

- True freshman kicker **Dominic Zvada** was successful on both of his field goal attempts, making him 17-of-18 on the season .... He broke the school record for points by kicking by a freshman, finishing the year with 81 points to pass Blake Grupe, who scored 77 as a freshman in 2018 ... His 17 made field goals tie the fifth most in school history for a single season, while his 81 points stand as the ninth most ... His 81 points are the most by a TRUE freshman in Sun Belt Conference history.