

2019 Pitt Football Game Notes Beaver Stadium • Saturday, September 14, 2019 Game 3 • #13 Penn State 17, Pitt 10



Team

- In the 100th meeting between Pitt and Penn State, the Panthers fell to the No. 13 Nittany Lions, 17-10.
- The Panthers (1-2) fell to 43-53-4 in the all-time series with Penn State (3-0) after a heartbreaking defeat that saw two Pitt drives in the final minutes come up just short of a game-tying touchdown.
- The 17 points scored by Penn State are the fewest surrendered by Pitt in the series since its 12-0 victory in 2000.
- Two Pitt players made collegiate debuts: true freshmen defensive back **A.J. Woods**. and linebacker **Brandon George**. Both Woods and George recorded tackles on kickoff coverage in the game.

Kenny Pickett

- After a career day last week against Ohio, junior quarterback **Kenny Pickett** once again set three personal bests.
- Pickett finished with career-high marks in completions (36), passing attempts (51) and passing yards (372).
- It was the third 300-yard passing game of Pickett's career (321 vs. Ohio last week; 316 vs. Wake Forest in 2018).

Taysir Mack

- Junior wide receiver Taysir Mack finished with a career-high 12 receptions (for 125 yards).
- Mack's receiving yardage is the second highest of his career (132 vs. Purdue in 2017 when Mack played at Indiana).

A.J. Davis

• Junior running back **A.J. Davis** produced career-high receiving numbers, compiling seven receptions for 94 yards, both personal bests.

Vincent Davis

• For the second consecutive week, freshman running back **Vincent Davis** ran for a score, giving him two on the season. Davis scored the Panthers' lone TD against Penn State, a three-yard run in the second quarter.

Dontavius Butler-Jenkins

• Sophomore wide receiver **Dontavius Butler-Jenkins** recorded a career-long 27-yard reception, setting up Pitt's touchdown in the first half. It was his lone catch, giving him a career-high 27 yards receiving on the day.

Paris Ford

Sophomore safety Paris Ford finished with a team and career-high 11 tackles.

Jaylen Twyman

• Sophomore defensive tackle Jaylen Twyman posted a career-high six tackles and added 1.5 sacks. Twyman is Pitt's sack leader on the young season with 4.5.

Phil Campbell III

• Junior linebacker Phil Campbell III notched his first career sack and also forced a fumble for the second time in 2019.

Kirk Christodoulou

 After struggling in last year's Penn State game, sophomore punter Kirk Christodoulou was especially effective on Saturday, punting six times for a 45.2-yard average. He had a season-long 62 yarder and placed four inside the 20yard line.