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2021 FOOTBALL

CONFERENCE STANDINGS

	BIG 12 GAMES				OVERALL							vs. Top 25	Streak
	W-L	Pct.	PF	PA	W-L	Pct.	PF	PA	Home	Road	Neutral		
Baylor	1-0	1.000	45	7	3-0	1.000	140	34	1-0	2-0	0-0	0-0	Won 3
Kansas State	0-0	-	-	-	3-0	1.000	93	47	2-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	Won 3
Oklahoma	0-0	-	-	-	3-0	1.000	139	51	3-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Won 11
Oklahoma State	0-0	-	-	-	3-0	1.000	72	59	2-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	Won 5
Texas Tech	0-0	-	-	-	3-0	1.000	120	64	2-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	Won 4
TCU	0-0	-	-	-	2-0	1.000	79	35	2-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Won 5
Iowa State	0-0	-	-	-	2-1	.667	81	40	1-1	1-0	0-0	0-1	Won 1
Texas	0-0	-	-	-	2-1	.667	117	58	2-0	0-1	0-0	1-0	Won 1
West Virginia	0-0	-	-	-	2-1	.667	117	51	2-0	0-1	0-0	1-0	Won 2
Kansas	0-1	.000	7	45	1-2	.333	46	108	1-1	0-1	0-0	0-1	Lost 2

THIS WEEK IN THE BIG 12

Saturday, September 25

Texas Tech at Texas (ABC)

11:00 a.m.

Series: UT 53-17

Last Meeting: UT 63-56 on Sept. 26, 2020 in Lubbock.

SMU at TCU (FSI)

11:00 a.m.

Series: TCU 51-41-7

Last Meeting: SMU 41-38 on Sept. 21, 2019 in Fort Worth.

No. 14/14 Iowa State at Baylor (FOX)

2:30 p.m.

Series: BU 10-9

Last Meeting: ISU 38-31 on Nov. 7, 2020 in Ames.

Kansas at Duke (ACCN)

3:00 p.m.

Series: Tied 1-1

Last Meeting: Duke 41-3 on Sept. 13, 2014 in Durham.

No. 25/RV Kansas State at RV/No. 22 Oklahoma State (Big 12 Now)

6:00 p.m.

Series: OSU 41-26

Last Meeting: OSU 20-18 on Nov. 7, 2020 in Manhattan.

West Virginia at No. 4/3 Oklahoma (ABC)

6:30 p.m.

Series: OU 10-2

Last Meeting: OU 52-14 on Oct. 19, 2019 in Norman.

All Times are listed as Central. Rankings are listed as AP/USA Today Coaches.

CONFERENCE NEWS & NOTES



Baylor hosts Iowa State in its second conference game while ISU is among the seven other teams that begin the league slate. Kansas and TCU wrap up their non-conference season.



After going 7-0 in last Saturday's games, the Big 12 has an FBS-leading .852 (23-4) win percentage in non-conference outings. Three of the losses were to other autonomy leagues and two were to ranked opponents.



Ninety percent of Big 12 teams are ranked or receiving votes in at least one of the national polls. No. 4/3 Oklahoma and No. 14/14 Iowa State are ranked in both. K-State entered the rankings for the first time this season at No. 25 in the AP. Oklahoma State remains at No. 22 in the coaches ledger. Baylor, TCU, Texas, Texas Tech and West Virginia received votes.



Based on a cumulation of past and future opposition, the Big 12 has eight of the top 10 toughest schedules - 1. Kansas, 2. K-State, 4. TCU, 5. Texas Tech, 10. Iowa State, Texas and West Virginia, and 10. Baylor.



Eighty percent of Big 12 teams are in the top 50 nationally in scoring defense, allowing less than 20 points a game. No. 9 BU (11.3) leads the Conference squads followed by No. 14 ISU (13.3), No. 21 K-State (15.7), No. 31 OU and WVU (17.0), No. 37 TCU (17.5), No. 46 UT (19.3) and No. 50 OSU (19.7).



Among FBS leagues, the Big 12 is second in scoring (34.6) and in fewest yards allowed to opponents (304.4), as well as third in scoring defense (18.9), just 0.2 points off the leaders.



Big 12 players of the week were awarded to OSU's Jaylen Warren (offensive and newcomer), WVU's Jared Bartlett (defensive) and OSU's Jason Taylor II (special teams).



Baylor's defense gave up 166 total yards last Saturday, the fewest allowed by the Bears since Sept. 2, 2016, against Northwestern State (78). It was also the fewest allowed by BU in a Big 12 game since Oct. 15, 2016.

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BIG 12 CHAMPIONS FOR LIFE

Big 12 Champions for Life, an initiative of the Big 12 Conference, is in its seventh year in 2021-22. This year's campaign will feature student-athletes from all 10 Conference institutions and highlight their inspiring stories of personal growth and success. To learn more, visit Big12ChampionsforLife.com.

Weekly National Rankings (AP/Coaches/CFP)

	BU	ISU	KU	K-State	OU	OSU	TCU	UT	TTU	WVU
PS	-	7/8	-	-	2/3	RV/22	RV/RV	21/19	-	RV/RV
9/7	-	9/10	-	RV/RV	4/4	RV/23	RV/RV	15/15	RV/-	-
9/13	-	14/14	-	RV/RV	3/3	RV/22	RV/RV	RV/RV	RV/-	-
9/20	-RV	14/14	-	25/RV	4/3	RV/22	RV/RV	RV/RV	RV/-	RV/RV
9/27										
10/4										
10/11										
10/18										
10/25										
11/1										
11/8										
11/15										
11/22										
11/29										
12/6										
Final										

WEEKLY AWARDS

Offense

9/6	Bijan Robinson, UT, RB, So.
9/13	Zach Evans, TCU, RB, So.

9/20	Jaylen Warren, OSU, RB, Sr.
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9/27
10/4
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10/18
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11/22
11/29

Defense

Riko Jeffers, TTU, LB, Sr.
JT Woods, BU, S, Sr.
Malcolm Rodriguez, OSU, LB, Sr.
Jared Bartlett, WVU, LB, So.

Newcomer

Reggie Pearson Jr., TTU, DB, Jr.
Felix Anudike-Uzomah, K-State, DE, So.
Jaylen Warren, OSU, RB, Sr.

Special Teams

9/6	Gabe Brkic, OU, K, Jr.
9/13	LD Brown, OSU, RB/KR, Sr.
9/20	Jason Taylor II, OSU, FS, Jr.

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VERSUS OTHER CONFERENCES

	All-Time			2021		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
American	90	22	.798	3	0	1.000
ACC	43	43	.500	1	0	1.000
Big Ten	53	56	.491	1	2	.333
Conference USA	136	15	.899	2	0	1.000
Independents	14	14	.500			
MAC	54	15	.783			
Mountain West	78	21	.781	3	0	1.000
Pac-12	65	53	.543	2	0	1.000
SEC	38	56	.409	0	1	.000
Sun Belt	75	10	.892	2	1	.667
Non-FBS	156	14	.913	9	0	1.000
Total	802	319	.715	23	4	.852

All-time totals are based on current conference affiliation.

Big 12 Teleconference Schedule

Sept. 13, Oct. 11, Nov. 8

Nov. 29 (Championship game participants)

10:20 a.m. – Mike Gundy, Oklahoma State
10:30 a.m. – Chris Klieman, Kansas State
10:40 a.m. – Neal Brown, West Virginia
10:50 a.m. – Matt Wells, Texas Tech
11:00 a.m. – Dave Aranda, Baylor
11:10 a.m. – Matt Campbell, Iowa State
11:20 a.m. – Gary Patterson, TCU
11:30 a.m. – Steve Sarkisian, Texas
11:40 a.m. – Lincoln Riley, Oklahoma
11:50 a.m. – Lance Leipold, Kansas

Big 12 Game Thresholds

In the event a Conference game is canceled due to a team not having enough student-athletes to compete (due to COVID-19 or for any reason), that team will forfeit and will be credited with a loss in the Conference standings. The opponent will be credited with a win in the Conference standings. Both teams will be deemed to have played the game for purposes of Conference standings only. A forfeit can be declared at any point before a completed contest, and when possible would occur prior to the visiting team commencing travel. Additionally, if both teams are unable to compete, a No Contest would be declared and, if needed, an unbalanced tiebreaker would be utilized to determine Conference championship participants in football or championship seeding in other sports. The Commissioner retains discretion to declare a No Contest if extraordinary circumstances warrant.

Big 12 Bowl Partners

(listed in order of selection)

Allstate Sugar
Valero Alamo
Cheez-It
Texas
AutoZone Liberty
Guaranteed Rate
Lockheed Martin Armed Forces Bowl*
SERVPRO First Responders Bowl*

* Game is a "flex pick" for seventh selection after CFP.

The Big 12 champion will earn the Conference's automatic berth for its CFP contract bowl slot.



BAYLOR (3-0, 1-0 Big 12)

Date	Opponent	Time (CT)	Attend	BU			OPP		
				CFP	AP	C	CFP	AP	C
S4	at Texas State (ESPN+)	W 29-20	26,573						
S11	Texas Southern (Big 12 Now)	W 66-7	42,461						
S18	at Kansas* (Big 12 Now)	W 45-7	27,218						
S25	Iowa State* (FOX)	2:30 p.m.					RV	14	14
O2	at Oklahoma State* (ESPN2)	6:00 p.m.							
O9	West Virginia*								
O16	BYU								
O30	Texas*								
N6	at TCU*								
NI3	Oklahoma*								
N20	at K-State*								
N27	Texas Tech*								

IOWA STATE [2-1, 0-0 Big 12]

Date	Opponent	Time (CT)	Attend	ISU			OPP		
				CFP	AP	C	CFP	AP	C
S4	UNI (Big 12 Now)	W 16-10	61,500	7	8				
S11	Iowa (ABC)	L 17-27	61,500	9	10		10	12	
S18	at UNLV (CBSSN)	W 48-3	35,193	14	14				
S25	at Baylor* (FOX)	2:30 p.m.		14	14				RV
O2	Kansas* (FSI)	6:00 p.m.							
O16	at K-State*								
O23	Oklahoma State*								
O30	at West Virginia*								
N6	Texas*								
NI3	at Texas Tech*								
N20	at Oklahoma*								
N26	TCU (FOX/FSI)	3/3:30 p.m.							

KANSAS (1-2, 0-1 Big 12)

Date	Opponent	Time (CT)	Attend	KU			OPP		
				CFP	AP	C	CFP	AP	C
S3	South Dakota (Big 12 Now)	W 17-14	26,103						
S10	at Coastal Carolina (ESPN2)	L 22-49	17,697				17	19	
S18	Baylor* (Big 12 Now)	L 7-45	27,218						
S25	at Duke (ACC Net)	3:00 p.m.							
O2	at Iowa State* (FSI)	6:00 p.m.							
O16	Texas Tech*								
O23	Oklahoma*								
O30	at Oklahoma State*								
N6	K-State*								
NI3	at Texas*								
N20	at TCU*								
N27	West Virginia*								

K-STATE (3-0, 0-0 Big 12)

Date	Opponent	Time (CT)	Attend	K-State			OPP		
				CFP	AP	C	CFP	AP	C
S4	vs. Stanford (FSI)	W 24-7	28,668						RV
S11	Southern Illinois (Big 12 Now)	W 31-23	47,628				RV	RV	
S18	Nevada (Big 12 Now)	W 38-17	48,768				RV	RV	RV
S25	at Oklahoma State* (Big 12 Now)	6:00 p.m.					25	RV	RV
O2	Oklahoma* (FOX)	2:30 p.m.							
O16	Iowa State*								
O23	at Texas Tech*								
O30	TCU*								
N6	at Kansas*								
NI3	West Virginia*								
N20	Baylor*								
N26	at Texas* (FOX)	11:00 a.m.							

OKLAHOMA (3-0, 0-0 Big 12)

Date	Opponent	Time (CT)	Attend	OU			OPP		
				CFP	AP	C	CFP	AP	C
S4	Tulane (ABC)	W 40-35	42,206				2	3	
S11	Western Carolina (PPV)	W 76-0	83,538				4	4	
S18	Nebraska (FOX)	W 23-16	84,659				3	3	
S25	West Virginia* (ABC)	6:30 p.m.					4	3	RV
O2	at K-State* (FOX)	2:30 p.m.							
O9	vs. Texas*								
O16	TCU*								
O23	at Kansas*								
O30	Texas Tech*								
NI3	at Baylor*								
N20	Iowa State*								
N27	at Oklahoma State*								

OKLAHOMA STATE (3-0, 0-0 Big 12)

Date	Opponent	Time (CT)	Attend	OSU			OPP		
				CFP	AP	C	CFP	AP	C
S4	Missouri State (Big 12 Now)	W 23-16	50,807				RV	22	
S11	Tulsa (FSI)	W 28-23	52,127				RV	23	
S18	at Boise State (FSI)	W 21-20	36,702				RV	22	RV
S25	K-State* (Big 12 Now)	6:00 p.m.					RV	22	25
O2	Baylor* (ESPN2)	6:00 p.m.							
O16	at Texas*								
O23	at Iowa State*								
O30	Kansas*								
N6	at West Virginia*								
NI3	TCU*								
N20	at Texas Tech*								
N27	Oklahoma*								

TCU (2-0, 0-0 Big 12)

Date	Opponent	Time (CT)	Attend	TCU			OPP		
				CFP	AP	C	CFP	AP	C
S4	Duquesne (Big 12 Now)	W 45-3	35,377	RV	RV				
S11	Cal (ESPN)	W 34-32	38,631	RV	RV				
S18	Open			RV	RV				
S25	SMU (FSI)	11:00 a.m.		RV	RV				RV
O2	Texas* (ABC)	11:00 a.m.							
O9	at Texas Tech*								
O16	at Oklahoma*								
O23	West Virginia*								
O30	at K-State*								
N6	Baylor*								
N13	at Oklahoma State*								
N20	Kansas*								
N26	at Iowa State*								

TEXAS (2-1, 0-0 Big 12)

Date	Opponent	Time (CT)	Attend	UT			OPP		
				CFP	AP	C	CFP	AP	C
S4	Louisiana (FOX)	W 38-18	91,113	21	19		23	23	
S11	at Arkansas (ESPN)	L 21-40	74,531	15	15				RV
S18	Rice (LHN)	W 58-0	91,978	RV	RV				
S25	Texas Tech* (ABC)	11:00 a.m.		RV	RV				RV
O2	at TCU* (ABC)	11:00 a.m.							
O9	vs. Oklahoma*								
O16	Oklahoma State*								
O30	at Baylor*								
N6	at Iowa State*								
N13	Kansas*								
N20	at West Virginia*								
N26	K-State* (FOX)	11:00 a.m.							

TEXAS TECH (3-0, 0-0 Big 12)

Date	Opponent	Time (CT)	Attend	TTU			OPP		
				CFP	AP	C	CFP	AP	C
S4	vs. Houston (ESPN)	W 38-21	43,478				RV	RV	
S11	SFA (Big 12 Now)	W 28-22	55,271				RV		
S18	FIU (Big 12 Now)	W 54-21	50,118				RV		
S25	at Texas* (ABC)	11:00 a.m.					RV	RV	RV
O2	at West Virginia* (ESPN2)	2:30 p.m.							
O9	TCU*								
O16	at Kansas*								
O23	K-State*								
O30	at Oklahoma*								
N13	Iowa State*								
N20	Oklahoma State*								
N27	at Baylor*								

WEST VIRGINIA (2-1, 0-0 Big 12)

Date	Opponent	Time (ET)	Attend	WVU			OPP		
				CFP	AP	C	CFP	AP	C
S4	at Maryland (ESPN)	L 24-30	43,811				RV	RV	
S11	LIU (Big 12 Now)	W 66-0	50,911						
S18	Virginia Tech (FSI)	W 27-21	60,222						15 15
S25	at Oklahoma* (ABC)	7:30 p.m.					RV	RV	4 3
O2	Texas Tech* (ESPN2)	3:30 p.m.							
O9	at Baylor*								
O23	at TCU*								
O30	Iowa State*								
N6	Oklahoma State*								
N13	at K-State*								
N20	Texas*								
N27	at Kansas*								



Brock Purdy became Iowa State's career leader in total offense (10,638), passing Brett Meyer (2004-07), as well as the career leader in passing yards (9,607). He is just the fifth ISU QB to gain over 1,000 career rushing yards (No. 4 with 1,031).



Kansas junior quarterback Jason Bean rushed for 62 yards against Baylor to lead the team. It marked the third straight game that Bean has led the team in rushing and passing yards.



K-State running back Deuce Vaughn rushed for a career-high 127 yards and a touchdown on 23 carries against Nevada. It was Vaughn's fifth-straight game with 100 rushing yards, the longest streak since Darren Sproles also did so in five-straight games in 2003.



The Sooners registered season-highs of five sacks and 10 tackles for loss in the win over Nebraska. Over its last 11 games, OU has totaled 44 sacks and 88 tackles for loss.



Linebacker Malcolm Rodriguez has recorded at least eight tackles in eight straight games for Oklahoma State.



After a bye last week, TCU hosts SMU in The Battle for the Iron Skillet. TCU has won 17 of the last 20 matchups.



Texas rushed for 427 yards against Rice and had three players with carries of at least 62 yards.



With Marquez Waters' 72 yard pick-six last week, the Red Raiders have five interceptions through the first three games which match its total from 2020.



West Virginia senior running back Leddie Brown eclipsed 2,000 career rushing yards with his 161 yards against Virginia Tech.



Big 12 coaching staffs will wear special arm patches in this week's games in honor of the AFCA's Coach to Cure MD program, sponsored by Werner Ladder. The goal of CTCMD is to raise awareness and funding for Duchenne muscular dystrophy while demonstrating coaches' commitment to the betterment of young men and the core academic research missions of their universities. Help coaches tackle Duchenne by texting CURE to 501501.