

Texas Tech

RED RAIDER FOOTBALL

POSTGAME NOTES

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TEXAS TECH RED RAIDERS

4-5, 3-3 Big 12

vs

TCU HORNED FROGS

4-5, 2-4 Big 12



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Nov. 2, 2023 (Thu.) | 6:05 p.m. CT | Jones AT&T Stadium | Lubbock, Texas | FS1

TEXAS TECH

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| Record | 4-5 Overall; 3-3 Big 12 |
| Streak | W1 |
| Head Coach | Joey McGuire |
| Career Record | 12-10 (2nd Season) |
| Record vs. TCU | 1-1 |
| Today's attendance | 51,185 |
| Kickoff temperature | 68 degrees |
| Length of Game | 3:25 |

TODAY'S STARTERS

(Offense) - (LT) Monroe Mills, (LG) Jacoby Jackson, (C) Dennis Wilburn, (RG) Rusty Staats, (RT) Caleb Rogers, (QB) Behren Morton, (RB) Tahj Brooks, (TE) Baylor Cupp, (WR) Myles Price, (WR) Xavier White, (WR) Jerand Bradley
(Defense) - (NT) Jaylon Hutchings, (DT) Tony Bradford Jr., (EDGE) Myles Cole, (LB-WILL) Bryce Ramirez, (LB-MIKE) Ben Roberts, (OLB) Joseph Adedire, (STAR) Brenden Jordan, (CB) Rayshad Williams, (S) Dadrion Taylor-Demerson, (S) C.J. Baskerville, (CB) Malik Dunlap

NOTING THE RED RAIDERS

OFFENSE

QB, Behren Morton (So.)

- Completed 78 percent of his passes going 28-for-36 with a season-high 286 yards and two touchdowns.
- His completion percentage marked the most efficient passing performance by a Tech QB with at least 35 attempts since Donovan Smith completed 34-of-48 (70.8%) passes at Kansas State (Oct. 1) last season.
- Recorded one rushing touchdown in each of his last three starts - scored on a 4th-and-2 option play from the 9-yard line in the first quarter; owns three rushing TDs this season and five for his career.

RB, Tahj Brooks (Sr.)

- Recorded his sixth 100-yard game in the last seven games played. It is his 10th 100-yard game of his career.
- By achieving his 10th 100-yard game, he joins Byron Hanspard (21), James Gray (18), Byron Morris (16), James Hadnot (13), Ricky Williams (11), Larry Isaac (10) and DeAndre Washington (10) as double-digit 100-yard game performers.
- Received 31 carries, matching his career-high.
- Carried the ball more than 30 times for the third time this season. The last time a Red Raider individual received 30+ carries in a single season was Ricky Williams in 1998.
- By rushing the ball 30+ times in back-to-back games, he's the first to do so since Byron Hanspard in 1996 - which was 30+ carries in four-straight games.
- Scored one rushing touchdown for the fifth-straight game; he found the endzone via the rush seven times this season.
- Entered the Texas Tech all-time Top 10, surpassing Baron Batch (2006, 2008-10) for No. 10 all-time who had career 2,501 rushing yards. Brooks owns 2,547 career yards and is 86 yards shy of surpassing Larry Issac's 2,633 yards at No. 9.
- His 146 rushing yards was the 11th-most in a game versus TCU in the 66th all-time meeting against the Horned Frogs.

WR, Myles Price (Sr.)

- Recorded team-leading fifth receiving touchdown late in the second quarter breaking a streak of three-straight games without a score after opening the season with a TD in four of the first five games.

WR, Coy Eakin (RFr.)

- Set a career-high for receptions logging eight. Entering the game with 10 career catches.

WR, Drae McCray (Jr.)

- Secured first career touchdown as a Red Raider and 18th as an D1 player. It was a 44-yard reception.

DEFENSE

DB, Dadrion Taylor-Demerson (Sr.)

- Recorded multiple interception in a single game for the first time in his career having two on the night. The pair gives him three for the season.
- His two interceptions were the most in a game by a Red Raider since Malik Dunlap recorded two earlier this season versus Tarleton State.
- Has recorded three interceptions in each of the past three seasons for a career total of nine.

DB, C.J. Baskerville (Jr.)

- Led Texas Tech in tackles with nine. It was the second time this season Baskerville owned the team-high for tackles.

GETTING STARTED

- Today's weather at kickoff: 68 degrees, 13 mph winds from the south and sunny skies.
- Texas Tech won the coin toss and chose to defer to the second half. TCU started the first half with the ball.
- Texas Tech wore black helmets with red jerseys and black pants against TCU.
- Today's game captains were Myles Cole, Behren Morton, Myles Price and Jacob Rodriguez.
- Today's attendance: 51,185

TODAY'S WIN...

- Snaps TCU's 4-game winning streak.
 - The Red Raiders last win vs. TCU was on Oct. 11, 2018 in Fort Worth (W, 17-14).
 - The Red Raiders last win at Jones AT&T Stadium was Sept. 12, 2013 (W, 20-10).
- Gives Texas Tech a 33-30-3 all-time record against TCU.
 - Today's win gives Texas Tech a 19-10-3 all-time home record versus TCU.
- Gives Texas Tech a 3-3 record in Big 12 games in 2023.
 - The Red Raiders' .500 winning percentage in Big 12 play is its best mark six games into the conference schedule since 2018.
 - The Red Raiders were 2-4 six games into conference play in 2022 before finishing 5-4.
- Improves the Red Raiders record to 3-0 versus TCU in Thursday night games since 2013.
- Gives the Red Raiders a 4-0 record this season against opponents from the state of Texas.
- Gives Joey McGuire a 9-3 record in home games at Jones AT&T Stadium.
- Gives Joey McGuire a 4-1 career record in games played in November.

TEAM NOTES

- Tech started the game with multiple adjustments to its starting lineup after the bye week: Dennis Wilburn moved to center after starting at right guard in seven of eight games while Rusty Staats moved to right guard after starting the first eight games at center. On defensive, C.J. Baskerville moved from his star position to boundary safety while Brenden Jordan picked up his third start of the season at star.
- Interception wiped out by a roughing the passer penalty on 1st-and-10 (12:32, 2Q).
- TCU missed a 43-yard attempt in the second quarter in an attempt to tie the game, 10-10. It was the second time this season an opponent missed a field goal versus the Red Raiders dropping opponent mark to 12-of-14 - the miss was a 49-yarder by Houston to end the first half.
- Converted second two-point conversion of the season, a throw to Bradley. The previous was a rush by Tahj Brooks at Baylor.
- Texas Tech was 2-for-3 overall on fourth downs, finishing plus-3 on the plus/minus scale based on that decision. Texas Tech's two fourth-down conversions accounted for 10 points.
- Tech held a 20-7 lead at halftime. All four Texas Tech wins this year started with a lead at halftime. Under Coach McGuire, Tech is 10-2 in his two seasons when having the lead at the break.
- Tech won the turnover battle 2-0. It was the first time Tech did not commit a turnover since defeating Houston on Sept. 30.
- Texas Tech allowed two sacks. The Red Raiders have allowed six sacks over the last five games.
- Gino Garcia connected for a 55-yard field goal; it was the longest make by a Red Raider since Jonathan Garibay hit his 62-yard game-winner as time expired against Iowa State in 2021.
- Texas Tech has now won its next game after the open date over each of the last three seasons and for the ninth time in the past 12 contests. The Red Raiders are now 20-13 during the Big 12 era following an open date.
- Texas Tech's 35 points are its most in the series versus TCU since the Red Raiders fell, 55-52, at home in 2015.

