

POSTGAME NOTES





# **#24 TEXAS TECH RED RAIDERS** 0-1. 0-0 BIG 12



### WYOMING COWBOYS



Sept. 2, 2023 | 5:30 p.m. MT | War Memorial Stadium | Laramie, Wyo. | CBS



**TEXAS TECH** 

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Record	0-1 Overall; 0-0 Big 12
Streak	L1
Head Coach	Joey McGuire
Career Record	8-6 (2nd Season)
Record vs. Wyoming	0-1
Today's attendance	26,450
Kickoff temperature	72 degrees
Length of Game	3:49

## **TODAY'S STARTERS**

(Offense) - (LT) Monroe Mills, (LG) Cole Spencer, (C) Rusty Staats, (RG) Dennis Wilburn, (RT) Caleb Rogers, (QB) Tyler Shough, (RB) Tahj Brooks, (TE) Mason Tharp, (WR) Loic Fouonji, (WR) Myles Price, (WR) Jerand Bradley

(Defense) - (NT) Jaylon Hutchings, (DT) Tony Bradford Jr., (EDGE) Myles Cole, (LB-WILL) Jesiah Pierre, (LB-MIKE) Jacob Rodriguez, (OLB) Steve Linton, (STAR) Brenden Jordan, (CB) Rayshad Williams, (S) Dadrion Taylor-Demerson, (S) Tyler Owens, (CB) Bralyn

Notes: The following Red Raiders made their first career starts in scarlet and black: Cole Spencer, Rusty Staats, Myles Cole, Steve Linton, Brenden Jordan and Bralyn Lux.

#### **GETTING STARTED**

- Today's weather at kickoff: 72 degrees, 15 mph winds from the NE and cloudy skies.
- Due to lightening, today's game was delayed one-hour and two minutes. Official kick time was 6:51 p.m. MT.
- · Wyoming won the coin toss and chose to receive in the second half. Texas Tech started the first half with the ball.
- · Today's game marked the first meeting with Wyoming since 1992 and the Red Raiders' first trip to Laramie since 1991. Today's game was the sixth all-time meeting between the two schools.
- · Texas Tech wore black helmets, white jerseys and white pants against Wyoming.
- Today's game captains were Bryce Ramirez, Cole Spencer, Tony Bradford Jr. and Austin McNamara.
- · Today's attendance: 26,450.

### TODAY'S LOSS...

- Gives Texas Tech a 2-4 all-time record against Wyoming.
- Gives Texas Tech a 68-28-3 all-time record in season openers.
  - → The Red Raiders lost their first season opener since falling vs. Ole Miss at NRG Stadium in 2018.
  - → The Red Raiders drop to 2-2 in season openers that were true road games dating back to 2000.
  - → The Red Raiders are now 21-3 in season openers dating back to 2000.
- Snaps Texas Tech's four-game win streak that closed the 2022 season.
- Gives Texas Tech its first overtime loss under head coach Joey McGuire, dropping to 3-1.

## **TEAM NOTES**

- Texas Tech experienced its first weather delay since Sept. 16, 2017 at home versus Arizona State. That contest was delayed one hour in Lubbock due to lightening.
- · True freshman Brenden Jordan, a 4-star recruit from Mansfield HS in the DFW area, started at the star position. The last true freshman to start a season opener for Texas Tech came in 2017 when OL Jack Anderson started. Anderson started all 13 games
- Texas Tech forced two turnovers in the first quarter; it's only two takeaways of the game. → The Red Raiders were previously 5-0 under head coach Joey McGuire when forcing two or takeaways.
- After building a 17-0 lead in the first quarter. Wyoming tied the game, 17-17, with 5:37 left in the third quarter. Wyoming took a 20-17 lead with 8:58 left in 4th quarter, building to 20-straight points. It was the second loss under head coach Joey McGuire where the Red Raiders lost after scoring first and held a halftime lead.
- Wyoming ran more total plays than Texas Tech midway through the third quarter 49 to 38 (30, 5:37) a category the Red Raiders traditionally control having led the FBS averaging 84.2 plays per game in 2022. The Red Raiders eventually topped the Cowboys in that category to close the game, 80 to 78.
- Tech falls to 6-2 in games scoring 30 or more under head coach Joey McGuire. The previous loss was at No. 7 Oklahoma State (41-31).

#### NOTING THE RED RAIDERS

## **OFFENSE**

### QB, Tyler Shough (Sr.)

- Started a season-opener for the fourth-consecutive season. and started a season-opener for the Red Raiders for the thirdstraight year. Shough is the fifth Red Raider since 1980 to start three-straight consecutive seasons
- · As Tech's starting quarterback, Tyler Shough drops to 8-2 in his career and 8-1 in games that he started and finished in his Red Raider career.
- Shough finished with 338 yards passing, surpassing the 300vard mark for the fifth time in his career.

### RB, Tahj Brooks (Sr.)

Scored his 19th rushing TD of his career. Finished with a teamhigh 39 yards rushing.

### WR, Myles Price (Sr.)

Scored sixth career touchdown, catching a 33-yard pass from Shough in the first quarter. It was his longest reception in a game since hauling in a 54-yard TD catch vs. Houston on Sept. 10, 2022.

## RB, Jerand Bradley (So.)

• Led Tech with eight receptions for 88 yards. The eight catches match his career-high, set three times before in 2022.

### DEFENSE

#### DL, Jaylon Hutchings (Sr.)

- · Made his 47th consecutive start, which ranks second among all active FBS players for most consecutive starts.
- Longed one of the Red Raiders two sacks. His solo sack. increases his career sack total to 8.5.

#### LB, Jesiah Pierre (Sr.)

• Set a career-high for tackles (14). He matched his career-high for tackles (7) in the first half. It was the most tackles in a single game since Kosi Eldridge posted 14 versus Oklahoma.

## **SPECIAL TEAMS**

#### P, Austin McNamara (Sr.)

• Averaged 49.8 yards per punt on four attempts. It was the seventh time in his career he averaged better than 49.0 yards per punt in a game.

#### K. Gino Garcia (Sr.)

· Hit 54-yard FG in the first quarter. It was his first career made field goal as a Red Raider. He finished 2-for-5.

## .K, Reese Burkhardt (Sr.)

Forced a touchback on all five kickoffs; allowing zero ret. yards.

If Texas Tech wins today:

First 7-5 record since 2015.

Best Big 12 record since 2009.

First 3-Game W Streak to finish season since 1995.

First time to ever beat OU and UT in the same season.

First time a 1st year HC had a winning conference record since 1986.

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### TEXAS TECH'S WIN...

- Gives Texas Tech an 8-5 overall record in 2022.
- Gives Texas Tech a 6-1 record against unranked opponents in 2022.
- Gives Texas Tech its first win against Ole Miss since Sept. 14, 2002, improving its overal • Gives Texas Tech its first win against Ole Miss in a bowl game (1-3) after previous fallin
- Gives Texas Tech wins against SEC teams in a bowl game in back-to-back seasons havir
- Gives Texas Tech a 5-8 record against SEC teams since joining the Big 12.
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# TEXAS TECH'S LOSS.

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	2013 vs. Okla St	425
er	1985 vs. TCU	422
	2013 vs. Iowa State	415
ld	2013 at SMU	413
ı	2018 at Kansas	408
	2013 Holiday Bowl	403

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2	Weston Wright (1) Houston	Henry Teeter (1)	Marquis Waters (1)	Austin McNamara (1)
3	Donovan Smith (1) at NC State	Tony Bradford Jr. (1)	Adrian Frye (1)	Jeisah Pierre (1)
4	Caleb Rogers (1) Texas	Tahj Brooks (1)	Malik Dunlap (1)	Dadrion Taylor-Demerson (1)
5	Myles Price (1) at Kansas State	Tyree Wilson (1)	Krishon Merriweather (1)	Jaylon Hutchings (1)
6	Weston Wright (2) at Oklahoma State	Rayshad Williams (1)	Kosi Eldridge (1)	Dadrion Taylor-Demerson (2)
7	Donovan Smith (2) West Viriginia	Tahj Brooks (2)	Marquis Waters (2)	Jesiah Pierre (2)
8	Henry Teeter (2) Baylor	Adrian Frye (2)	Krishon Merriweather (2)	Austin McNamara (2)
9	Myles Price (2)	Tyree Wilson (2)	Jaylon Hutchings (2)	Tony Bradford Jr. (2)
10	Tahj Brooks (-) <b>Kansas</b>	Patrick Curley (-)	Rayshad Williams (-)	Kosi Eldridge (-)
	Tyler Shough (-)	Henry Teeter (-)	Marquis Waters (-)	Dadrion Taylor-Demerson (-)

g in the 2009 Cotton Bowl and 1986 and 1998 Independence Bowls. g defeating Mississippi State 34-7 in the 2021 Liberty Bowl.	
straight wins to end the 2022 season. in 11 of its last 15 bowl games dating back to 2002. I-time 3-2 record in the Texas Bowl. rst eight win season since finishing the 2013 season 8-5. It marks Tech's 12th season in the Big 12 with eight wins	
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cord versus Ole Miss in bowl games to 0-4. Precord against SEC teams since joining the Big 12.	
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### career watch.

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series record to 3-4.

- With two first time starters in WR Brady Boyd and OLB Issac Smith, Texas Tech increased its number of different players to start a game in 2022 to 42. The Red Raiders ranked tied for eighth nationally with 40 entering the game.
- · Tech limited Ole Miss to converting X-of-X red zone opportunities. Over the final four games, opponents were X-of-X in trips to the red zone during Tech's four game win streak.
- Texas Tech owns four blocked kicks in 2022. It is the most in a season since the Red Raiders had four in 2020. This season (Tyler Owens blocked punt vs. Murray State; Nehemiah Martinez blocked punt vs. Oklahoma State; Tony Bradford Jr. blocked field goal vs. Kansas; Myles Cole blocked field goal vs. Iowa State.
- Texas Tech was a X-for-X on fourth downs tonight... The Red Raiders are now plus-52 as a result of fourth down decisions this season and 27-for-45 on fourth downs in general this season, which leads the FBS. and is the most conversions for Texas Tech in a season since records dating back to 2000.
- Texas Tech entered the game with 11 takeaways in its seven wins.
- Krishon single season tackle watch: look at single season chart last 20 years
- Tech scoring defense record watch
- Total team TFLs for the season? approaching most in how many years
- Muddy tackle watch; needs one tackle for 300.
- Ole Miss entered the game ranked third nationally (first in SEC) by averaging 261.6 rushing yards per game. Tech limited the Rebels rushing attack to XXXX
- Tahj nearing 1,500 career rushing yards.