

Texas Tech

RED RAIDER FOOTBALL

POSTGAME NOTES

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TEXAS TECH RED RAIDERS

5-1, 3-0 Big 12

at

ARIZONA WILDCATS

3-2, 1-1 Big 12

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TEXAS TECH

Record	5-1 Overall; 3-0 Big 12
Streak	W4
Head Coach	Joey McGuire
Career Record	20-12 (3rd Season)
Record vs. Arizona	1-0
Today's attendance	45,773
Kickoff temperature	89 degrees
Length of Game	3:37

TODAY'S STARTERS

(Offense) - (LT) Dalton Merryman, (LG) Sterling Porcher, (C) Sheridan Wilson, (RG) Davion Carter, (RT) Caleb Rogers, (QB) Behren Morton, (RB) Tahj Brooks, (TE) Mason Tharp, (WR) Coy Eakin, (WR) Caleb Douglas, (WR) Josh Kelly
(Defense) - (DT) Quincy Ledet Jr., (DT) De'Braylon Carroll, (OLB) Harvey Dyson III, (LB-WILL) Jacob Rodriguez, (LB-MIKE) Ben Roberts, (OLB) Charles Esters III, (STAR) A.J. McCarty, (CB) Bralyn Lux, (S) Devynn Cromwell, (S) C.J. Baskerville, (CB) Maurion Horn

NOTING THE RED RAIDERS

OFFENSE

QB, Behren Morton (Jr.)

- Texas Tech is now 11-2 since the start of the 2023 season in games Behren Morton starts and finished.
- Morton continues to take care of the football with his fourth straight zero-interception game. Tech is 4-0 in those games. He's had 134 consecutive attempts without an INT.

RB, Tahj Brooks (Sr.)

- Brooks logged his 17th career 100-yard rushing game - it places him in solo third all-time behind Byron Hanspard (21) and James Gray (18).
- With 128 rushing yards, Brooks surpassed Ricky Williams (3,661) and now sits in third place with 3,731 yards.
- His 100-yard game is his 13th 100-yard game in his last 16 games played. He's rushed for at least 95 yards in 16 straight games.
- Has found the endzone at least once in 12 of his last 14 games.
- It's just the 2nd time of Brooks' career he's had back-to-back games with multiple rushing touchdowns - which dates back to facing Houston (2) and SFA (2) to start the 2021 season.
- Tonight he matched his career-high for rushing touchdowns with three. He previously set the high versus Murray State in 2022.
- His three rushing touchdowns pushed him to 35 career rushing touchdowns - it places him with the sixth-most rushing touchdowns in program history.
- Had the first fumble of 2024 on his 118th attempt of the season. It was the first fumble for Brooks since Oct. 21, 2023.

WR, Caleb Douglas (Jr.)

- Caught longest pass of Red Raiders' career, a 57-yard catch, on 1st and 20 from their own 12.
- First career 100-yard game, finishing with 116 receiving yards.

WR, Micah Hudson (Fr.)

- Set up Texas Tech's first touchdown of the game, catching the longest pass of his career, a 38-yarder, from Behren Morton to place the ball at the 3-yard line.

DEFENSE

LB, Jacob Rodriguez (R-Jr.)

- Recorded a sack for a loss of 16 yards in the first quarter.
- Deflected a pass that led to an interception (Q. Ledet).
- Forced the fumble in the fourth quarter, recovered by Brenden Jordan.
- Led Texas Tech with 13 tackles. It matched his career-high and was his fourth career double-digit tackle game of his career.

DL, Quincy Ledet Jr. (Sr.)

- Logged his first career interception in his 50th career game - returned it 20 yards to the Arizona 30-yard line.

DB, C.J. Baskerville (Sr.)

- Intercepted his second pass of the season, and fifth of his career - late in the second quarter.

SPECIAL TEAMS

K, Gino Garcia (Sr.)

- Went 2-for-2 on field goal attempts, connecting on the go-ahead 41-yarder with 2:21 left in the game.
- Moves to a perfect 10-for-10 this season.

GETTING STARTED

- Today's weather at kickoff: 89 degrees, 6 mph winds from the north northwest and clear skies.
- Texas Tech won the coin toss and chose to receive the kickoff in the first half. Arizona started the second half with the ball.
→ Tech has chose to receive three times this season when winning the toss. Tech has won the coin toss in five of six games.
- Texas Tech wore white helmets with white jerseys and black pants against Arizona.
- Tonight's game captains were Charles Esters III, Behren Morton, Bryce Ramirez and Mason Tharp.

TONIGHT'S WIN...

- Gives Texas Tech four consecutive victories.
→ It is the Red Raiders' second four-game winning streak under Joey McGuire; the team finished the 2022 season with four straight wins.
- Gives Joey McGuire his first 3-0 start in Big 12 play.
→ It is the Red Raiders' first 3-0 start in conference play since starting the 2013 season 4-0.
- Gives Joey McGuire a 17-6 career record versus opponents that are unranked.
- Gives Joey McGuire a 6-9 record in games played away from Lubbock, Texas.
- Gives Texas Tech a 27-5-2 all-time record against Arizona.
→ Tonight's game marked the first matchup against the Wildcats since Sept. 14, 2019 (L, 28-14 at Arizona).
→ Tonight's game marked the first Big 12 game between the two programs since Arizona joined the league this past summer.
→ Tonight's game marked the first intraconference matchup between the two programs since Nov. 7, 1959. Tech and Arizona played as Border Conference foes from 1932-1959.

TEAM NOTES

- Texas Tech found itself in a one-possession game for the fourth time in its first six games; the Red Raiders move to 4-0 in those games and Coach Joey McGuire moves to 11-3 in his career in those games.
→ McGuire matches the 4-0 mark he had in one-possession games in 2022 through six games in 2024.
- The Red Raiders are off to their first 3-0 start in Big 12 play since the 2013 season; Tech started conference play 4-0 that year.
→ It would be the fifth 3-0 start in Big 12 play in program history. ('13, '08, '05, '98)
- The Red Raiders are off to their first 5-1 start since the 2013 season. The start was a focal point under third-year HC Joey McGuire as his teams started 3-3 over the first half of the season over the first two years.
- Texas Tech entered Saturday with the third-most first half points in the FBS scoring 135 first half points this season, behind Tennessee (149) and Ole Miss (137). The Red Raiders jumped out to an 18-3 lead at the break.
- The Red Raiders move to 12-2 under McGuire when owning the takeaway advantage, Texas Tech won the margin three to two and are +3 this season in turnover margin this season.
- Tech moves to 15-4 under McGuire when scoring first and moves to 16-2 under McGuire when owning the lead at halftime.
- Texas Tech turned two forced turnovers in the first half into 11 points, turning its first interception into a touchdown (and a 2-point conversion) and the next into a field goal as time expired in the first half. Tech turned its fumble recovery in the fourth quarter to seven more points. The Raiders have turned its last nine takeaways into points.
- Devynn Cromwell made his first start for the Red Raiders; he's the 33rd different player to make a start in 2024.
- Texas Tech's red zone defense held Arizona to 13 points on four trips. The Wildcats kicked two field goals and turned the ball over on downs while allowing one touchdown.

