

Texas Tech

RED RAIDER FOOTBALL

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TEXAS TECH RED RAIDERS

6-4, 4-3 Big 12

VS

#20 COLORADO BUFFALOES

7-2, 5-1 Big 12

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Nov. 9, 2024 | 3:05 p.m. CST | Jones AT&T Stadium | Lubbock, Texas | FOX

TEXAS TECH

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| Record | 6-4 Overall; 4-3 Big 12 |
| Streak | L1 |
| Head Coach | Joey McGuire |
| Career Record | 21-15 (3rd Season) |
| Record vs. Colorado | 0-1 |
| Today's attendance | 60,229 |
| Kickoff temperature | 60 degrees |
| Length of Game | 3:47 |

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) Trevon McAlpine, (DT) Quincy Ledet Jr., (OLB) Harvey Dyson III, (LB-WILL) Jacob Rodriguez, (LB-MIKE) Ben Roberts, (OLB) Charles Esters III, (STAR) A.J. McCarty, (CB) Bralyn Lux, (S) Chapman Lewis, (S) C.J. Baskerville, (CB) Maurion Horn

NOTING THE RED RAIDERS

OFFENSE

RB, Tahj Brooks (Sr.)

- Surpassed Byron Hanspard (1994-96) as Texas Tech's all-time leading rusher; with 137 rushing yards on Saturday, Brooks moved past Hanspard's 4,219 career yards, upping his total to 4,236 career rushing yards.
- Increased his season rushing total to 1,184 yards; it ranks as the 11th-most rushing yards recorded in a single season in program history, passing Doug McCutchan (1970, 1,068) and DeAndre Washington (2014, 1,103).
- Recorded his 21st career 100-yard game, matching Byron Hanspard's school record of 21 such games.
- His 21st 100-yard game places him tied for the fifth-most in Big 12 history alongside Deuce Vaughn, (21; KSU, 2020-22) while trailing Adrian Peterson, (22; OU, 2004-06), Cedric Benson (24; UT, 2001-04), Darren Sproles (24; KSU, 2001-04) and Ricky Williams (25; UT, 1996-98).
- By rushing for 95-plus yards, it marks his 20th-straight game, setting the most consecutive games with at least 95 rushing yards by all FBS players dating back to 1996, eclipsing Minnesota's Mohamed Ibrahim (2020-22) streak of 19 games.
- Kept pace with Boise State's Ashton Jeanty as one of the only two FBS players to record a 100-yard game in each game this season.
- Now ranks No. 5 in Big 12 history for career rushing yards, surpassed Kendall Hunter (Oklahoma State, 2007-10) and Shock Linwood (Baylor, 2013-16).

WR, Josh Kelly (Sr.)

- Finished with eight receptions and 106 yards; he surpassed 3,000 career receiving yards on Saturday.
- Registered his 11th career 100-yard game and fourth as a Red Raider.
- His 76 receptions after 10 games is the most by a Red Raider since Antoine Wesley's 78 catches thru 10 games in 2018.

TE, Jalin Conyers (Sr.)

- Caught both of Behren Morton's touchdown passes. Finished with three receptions and 50 yards.
- While his two touchdown receptions were not a career-high, it was the first time a Red Raider tight end caught two touchdown passes in a game since Baylor Cupp caught a pair of TD passes versus Baylor on Oct. 7, 2023. Conyers' career-high was set while at Arizona State in a game versus Colorado in 2022.

DEFENSE

LB, Jacob Rodriguez (Jr.)

- Set career-high for tackles with 17.
- His 17 tackle performance was the first 15-plus tackle game by a Red Raider since 2022 when Krishon Merriweather's 17 versus Oklahoma State.
- Has 1.5 TFLs; he's had 4.0 TFLs over the last two games and upped his season total to 8.5.
- Recorded 1.0 sacks; it was one of three total team sacks posted by the Red Raiders.

SPECIAL TEAMS

K, Gino Garcia (Sr.)

- Extended his school-record consecutive made field goals streak to 16 in the first half by connecting on his first two field goal attempts (53-yds & 39-yds). His streak was snapped at 16 after missing his third attempt of the first half - a 53-yard attempt as time expired in the second quarter.
- Connected on the first 50-plus yard field goal by a Red Raider since his own 51-yard field goal last season against UCF.

GETTING STARTED

- Today's weather at kickoff: 60 degrees, 16 mph winds from the west southwest and sunny skies.
- Colorado won the coin toss and chose to defer to the second half. Texas Tech started the first half with the ball.
- Texas Tech debuted its "Mahomes Strategy uniform" which was a grey helmet with a grey jersey and grey pants.
- Today's game captains were De'Braylon Carroll, Behren Morton, Jacob Rodriguez and Mason Tharp.

TODAY'S LOSS ...

- Drops the Red Raiders record to 6-4.
→ Texas Tech has recorded six wins after 10 games four other times over the previous 15 seasons (2009-23) after its historic 10-0 start in 2008. The Red Raiders previously had six wins after 10 games in 2009 (6-4), 2012 (7-3), 2013 (7-3) and 2021 (6-4).
- Drops the Red Raiders record to 4-3 in Big 12 play.
→ Texas Tech started 4-3 in league play in 2023 under McGuire; prior to 2023 the last time the Red Raiders started 4-3 in Big 12 play was in 2013.
- Is just the fifth loss at Jones AT&T Stadium in the Joey McGuire era (14-5) and the first time in his career suffering back-to-back home losses (lost to Baylor, Oct. 19).
→ The Red Raiders dropped back-to-back home games for the first time since 2021 (lost to TCU, Oct. 9; lost to K-State, Oct. 23).
- Drops the Red Raiders record to 4-6 when facing Top 25 opponents under McGuire.
- Gives Colorado the edge in the all-time series, 6-5, after its 11th all-time meeting versus the Red Raiders after today's 11th meeting in the series.
→ Today was the first meeting against Colorado since Oct. 23, 2010, a 27-24 win for the Red Raiders in Boulder.

TEAM NOTES

- Texas Tech trailed the turnover margin with three giveaways versus zero takeaways.
→ It matched the Red Raiders' loss versus Washington State for largest turnover margin differential of minus-3.
→ In the Red Raiders' four losses this season against Washington State (-3), Baylor (-2), TCU (+1) and Colorado (-3), they are minus-7 in the turnover margin versus the Red Raiders' six wins against Abilene Christian (+1), North Texas (+2), Arizona State (+1), Cincinnati (+1), Arizona (+1) and Iowa State (even), having a turnover margin of plus-6.
→ It was the second time this season Tech did not force a turnover; TTU did not force a turnover versus Baylor (10/19).
- Texas Tech dropped its first game of the 2024 season when scoring first.
→ The Red Raiders were previously 6-0 this season when scoring first.
→ In the McGuire era, the Red Raiders drop to 16-5 when scoring first.
- Texas Tech entered Saturday's game against Colorado with an FBS-best five games this season, having both a 100-yard rusher and a 100-yard receiver. The Red Raiders increased that mark to six games as Tahj Brooks (137) hit the century mark as did Josh Kelly (106).
- The Red Raiders held the Buffaloes to 60 yards rushing - it was the fewest rushing yards allowed by a Red Raider defense this season and the fewest rushing yards allowed by a Red Raider defense overall since Baylor was limited to just 17 in 2023.
- Texas Tech allowed Colorado to record seven sacks. It was the most sacks allowed by a Texas Tech offense since Nov. 20, 2021, when Oklahoma State tallied 13 sacks in a 23-0 win at Jones AT&T Stadium.
- Tallied the second-most kick return yards in a game this season with 157 behind the efforts of J'Koby Williams' 103 yards. It trailed the 200-yard kick return game versus Abilene Christian spearheaded by Drae McCray's 100-yard kick return for a TD.

