

Texas Tech

RED RAIDER FOOTBALL

POSTGAME NOTES

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TEXAS TECH RED RAIDERS

6-3, 4-2 Big 12

at

#11/10 IOWA STATE CYCLONES

7-1, 4-1 Big 12



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Nov. 2, 2024 | 2:40 p.m. CDT | Jack Trice Stadium | Ames, Iowa | ESPN

TEXAS TECH

Record	6-3 Overall; 4-2 Big 12
Streak	W1
Head Coach	Joey McGuire
Career Record	21-14 (3rd Season)
Record vs. Iowa State	2-0
Today's attendance	61,500
Kickoff temperature	53 degrees
Length of Game	3:35

TODAY'S STARTERS

(Offense) - (LT) Ty Buchanan, (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) De'Braylon Carroll, (DT) Quincy Ledet Jr., (OLB) Harvey Dyson III, (LB-WILL) Jacob Rodriguez, (LB-MIKE) Ben Roberts, (OLB) Charles Esters III, (STAR) Brenden Jordan, (CB) Bralyn Lux, (S) Chapman Lewis, (S) C.J. Baskerville, (CB) Maurion Horn

NOTING THE RED RAIDERS

OFFENSE

QB, Behren Morton (Jr.)

- Improved his record to 12-3 as Texas Tech's starting quarterback since the start of the 2023 season in games that he started as well as finished.
- Connected on 12 of his first 13 passes to start today's game. Was 4-of-7 passing with less than two minutes in the game, which included completing a pass to convert a 4th-and-7.

RB, Tahj Brooks (Sr.)

- Tahj Brooks eclipsed 4,000 career rushing yards. He is now one of three Texas Tech running backs in school history to reach the 4,000-yard career milestone joining Byron Hanspard (4,219) and James Gray (4,066). Texas Tech becomes one of 17 FBS college football programs to bolster three or more individuals who have reached that milestone.
- With seven carries in the first half, it was the fewest carries in an opening half this season since the season-opener vs. ACU (13).
- Is the fifth Red Raider in program history to post back-to-back 1,000-yard rushing seasons joining James Hadnot (1978-79), Byron Morris (1992-93), Byron Hanspard (1995-96) and DeAndre Washington (2015-16). It is the 13th 1,000-yard rushing season by a Red Raider - his being the 12th and 13th.
- Brooks' 100-yard game amounts to his 20th 100-yard game of his career. It remains the second-most all-time in program history, trailing only Byron Hanspard (21).
- Brooks' 20th career 100-yard game makes him the eighth player in Big 12 history to register 20 or more 100-yard games. He joins Ricky Williams (25; UT, 1996-98), Cedric Benson (24; UT, 2001-04), Darren Sproles (24; KSU, 2001-04), Adrian Peterson, (22; OU, 2004-06), Deuce Vaughn, (21; KSU, 2020-22), Breece Hall (20; ISU, 2019-21) and Kendall Hunter (20; OSU, 2007-10).
- By rushing for 95-plus yards, it marks the 19th straight game, tying him with Minnesota's Mohamed Ibrahim (2020-22) for the most consecutive games with at least 95 rushing yards dating back to 1996.

WR, Josh Kelly (Sr.)

- Owned a team-lead eight catches for a team-best 127 yards and two touchdowns. He had five catches for 87 yards and one touchdown in the first half.
- Today was the first game that Kelly recorded multiple receiving touchdowns (2) as a Red Raider. It was the third multi-TD game of his career.
- Eclipsed 100 yards receiving for the third time as a Red Raider this season, and the 10th time of his career.
- His 68 receptions after nine games is the most by a Red Raider since Antonio Wesley's 70 catches thru nine games in 2018.

DEFENSE

LB, Jacob Rodriguez (Jr.)

- Led team with 13 tackles, matching his career-high. It was his fifth double-digit tackle game this season.
- Recorded a career-high 2.0 sacks and a career-high 2.5 tackles for a loss.
- Forced a fumble, leading to a turnover. The fumble was recovered by Chapman Lewis.

DB, A.J. McCarty (Jr.)

- Registered second interception of the season; his first since Sept. 28 versus Cincinnati.

SPECIAL TEAMS

K, Gino Garcia (Sr.)

- Remains perfect this season (13-of-13) by connecting on a 44-yard field goal in the first quarter. Set the school record for most consecutive made field goals (14).

GETTING STARTED

- Today's weather at kickoff: 53 degrees, 8 mph winds from the southeast and overcast skies.
- Iowa State won the coin toss and chose to defer to the second half. Texas Tech started the first half with the ball.
- Texas Tech wore white helmets with white jerseys and black pants against Iowa State.
- Today's game captains were Tahj Brooks, Charles Esters III, Gino Garcia and Caleb Rogers.

TODAY'S WIN ...

- Gives Texas Tech its first win against a Top 10 team on the road since 2011.
 - Today's win was the first on the road against an opponent ranked in the Top 10 in either major poll since the Red Raiders shocked No. 1 Oklahoma on Oct. 22, 2011.
 - Today's win was the first, at home or on the road, against an opponent ranked in the Top 10 since defeating No. 4 West Virginia in Lubbock on Oct. 13, 2012.
- Gives Texas Tech a 6-3 overall record.
 - It is the Red Raiders' best start through nine games since 2013 when Tech started 7-2.
- Gives Texas Tech a 4-2 record in Big 12 play.
 - It is the Red Raiders' best start through six games of conference play since 2013 when Tech started 4-2.
- Gives Texas Tech a 2-2 record in road games in 2024.
 - The Red Raiders are 2-1 in their three Big 12 road games in 2024.
- Gives Joey McGuire a 9-2 career record in games played in the months of November or December.
- Gives Joey McGuire a 7-10 career record in games played away from Lubbock, Texas.
- Gives Joey McGuire a 4-6 career record versus opponents ranked in the Top 25.
 - Today's win gives McGuire his first career win versus a Top 10 team. Tech was previously 0-3 in those games.
 - Today's win gives McGuire his second career win versus a Top 25 team on the road (TTU def. KU, 16-13 in 2023).
- Extends the Red Raiders' lead in the all-time series, giving Tech a 14-8 advantage after its 22nd all-time meeting with Iowa State.
 - Today's win gives Texas Tech back-to-back road wins at Iowa State, dating back to the 2012 and 2014 seasons.
 - Today's win gives Tech three straight wins in the series. Tech's top win streak is a four-game win streak over the Cyclones.

TEAM NOTES

- By virtue of earning its sixth win, Texas Tech clinched its fourth consecutive bowl appearance and the 42nd bowl appearance in program history.
 - The win guarantees Texas Tech will retain its lead among the 16 teams in the conference for most all-time bowl appearances.
- Texas Tech clinched bowl eligibility for the second time in three years against Iowa State under Joey McGuire ('22, '24).
- Texas Tech clinched bowl eligibility for the third time in the last four years in a game against Iowa State ('21, '22, '24).
- Texas Tech forced two turnovers. The Red Raiders forced multiple turnovers in a game for the fifth time this season, and for the fourth time in the last five games.
- Texas Tech recorded its 11th interception of the season. The Red Raiders had 13 in its 13 game season in 2023.
- Texas Tech was in its sixth one-possession game on Saturday after only nine games this season. The Red Raiders improved to 5-1 in one-possession games this season while McGuire improved to 12-4 in his career in those games.
- Texas Tech passed for 237 yards against an Iowa State defense entering the game allowing 133.7 passing yards per game - the second-lowest average in the FBS.
- Texas Tech snapped Iowa State's 25-game winning streak when owning a lead at halftime
 - The Red Raiders trailed 13-10 at the break before outscoring the home team 13-9 in the second half.

