

Texas Tech

RED RAIDER FOOTBALL

POSTGAME NOTES

GAME

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#14 TEXAS TECH RED RAIDERS

7-1, 4-1 Big 12

VS

OKLAHOMA STATE COWBOYS

1-7, 0-5 Big 12



Oct. 25, 2025 | 3:30 p.m. CDT | Jones AT&T Stadium | Lubbock, Texas | ESPN

TEXAS TECH

Record	7-1 Overall; 4-1 Big 12
Streak	W1
Head Coach	Joey McGuire
Career Record	30-17 (4th Season)
Record vs. Oklahoma State	2-1
Today's attendance	59,625
Kickoff temperature	69 degrees
Length of Game	3:08

TODAY'S STARTERS

(Offense) - (LT) Howard Sampson, (LG) Will Jados, (C) Sheridan Wilson, (RG) Davion Carter, (RT) Jacob Ponton, (QB) Will Hammond, (RB) Cameron Dickey, (RB) J'Koby Williams, (WR) Coy Eakin, (WR) Caleb Douglas, (WR) Reggie Virgil
(Defense) - (NG) Lee Hunter, (DT) AJ Holmes Jr., (OLB) David Bailey, (LB-WILL) Jacob Rodriguez, (LB-MIKE) Ben Roberts, (OLB) Romello Height, (STAR) John Curry, (CB) Dontae Balfour, (S) Cole Wisniewski, (S) Brenden Jordan, (CB) Brice Pollock

NOTING THE RED RAIDERS

OFFENSE

QB, WILL HAMMOND (R-FR.)
9-OF-15, 102 YDS., 1 TD, 0 INT; 4 RUSH, 21 YDS., 0 TD
• Third career start, and second-straight start.
• Earned first career win in a start (1-2).
• Exited the game in the second quarter due to injury.

QB, MITCH GRIFFIS (SR.)
9-OF-13, 172 YDS., 1 TD, 0 INT; 7 RUSH, -7 YDS., 1 TD
• Guided Texas Tech to its seventh win in his first significant game action since 2023 when starting for Wake Forest.
• Connected for a 42-yard touchdown pass to Caleb Douglas. It was the longest strike since a 61-yard connection in 2023 against Duke on Nov. 2, 2023, while quarterback for the Demon Deacons. He also logged his first touchdown run on Saturday since that game versus Duke.

WR, CALEB DOUGLAS (SR.)
5 REC., 98 YDS., 1 TD
• His 98-yard output was his second-highest total this season; most since a season-high 114 at Houston.
• Scored his second touchdown of the season and 11th career.

WR, CALEB DOUGLAS (JR.)
5 REC., 48 YDS., 0 TD
• Surpassed 1,500 career receiving yards on Saturday. By adding 48 yards to his career total, he finished with 1,523.

ALL-PURPOSE

RB/KR, J'KOBY WILLIAMS (SO.)
169 ALL-PURPOSE YARDS
4 RUSH, 10 YDS., 0 TD; 3 REC., 60 YDS., 1 TD
1 KICK RET., 99 YDS., 1 TD
• Returned the game's opening kickoff 99 yards for a TD.
→ It was the first kickoff returned for a touchdown since Sept. 30, 2023, versus Houston - Drae McCray (100 yards).
→ It was the first time Texas Tech returned the game's opening kickoff for a touchdown since Nov. 11, 2017, when Keke Coutee returned a kick 92 yards for a TD versus Baylor.
→ With seven all-time 100-yard KO returns in program history, Williams' 99-yard return goes down tied as the eighth-longest kickoff return in program history alongside Jakeem Grant's 99-yard return against Minnesota in 2012.
• Scored on the Red Raiders' first play from scrimmage, a 26-yard touchdown reception, set up by a blocked punt.

DEFENSE

LB, JACOB RODRIGUEZ (SR.)
10 TACKLES, 1.0 TFL, 1 FF (RET. 69 YDS., TD)
• Saturday was his 50th career game.
• Forced, recovered a fumble, and returned the fumble 69 yards for a touchdown. It was his second career returned fumble for a touchdown, dating back to last season's win at Arizona when recovering a fumble in the endzone.
• Led Texas Tech with 10 tackles.
• Recorded his 12th career double-digit tackle game, fourth of the season, and third straight of the 2025 season.
• Increased career forced fumble total to 11 (the FBS career record is 16, held by Khalil Mack, 2010-13).
• Owns a team-lead 72 tackles through eight games.

GETTING STARTED

- Today's weather at kickoff (3:30 p.m. CDT): 69 degrees, 7 mph winds from the northeast and cloudy skies.
→ The game entered a lightning delay during pregame. It was the third weather delay in 2025 at Jones AT&T Stadium, joining the season opener versus Arkansas Pine-Bluff (Aug. 30) and Oregon State (Sept. 13).
→ The official length of the delay was 25 minutes, as kickoff was scheduled for 3:05 p.m. CDT.
- Oklahoma State won the coin toss and chose to defer the kickoff. Texas Tech started the first half with the ball.
- Texas Tech wore white helmets with red jerseys and white pants versus Oklahoma State.
- Today's game captains were Chief Collins, AJ Holmes Jr., Reggie Virgil and Sheridan Wilson.
- Today's game was the first game this season that was not deemed a sellout. Texas Tech announced that its entire ticket inventory had sold out prior to the game, but the student section fell short of the 60,229 sellout capacity.

ABOUT THE WIN

- Texas Tech's 7-1 start is its best eight-game start since 2013, when it also started that season 7-1.
- The Red Raiders' 4-1 start to Big 12 play is its best five-game start in league play since 2013.
- Today's win marks Joey McGuire's 30th career win as Texas Tech's head coach in his 47th career game.
→ McGuire is the third-fastest coach to reach 30 career wins behind Pete Cawthon (1930-40), who reached his 30th win in his 43rd career game, while Jim Carlen (1970-74) earned his 30th win in his 46th career game.
- It gives Joey McGuire a 5-0 record at home this season and a 20-5 career record in games played at Jones AT&T Stadium.
- In the 52nd all-time meeting, the Red Raiders grab the edge in the all-time series 25-24-3 with the win, in a series that dates back to 1935. Tech improves to 14-8-2 in the games played in Lubbock.

TEAM NOTES

- About today's 42-0 shutout win:
→ is Texas Tech's first shutout win since defeating Lamar, 77-0, on Sept. 8, 2018.
→ is Texas Tech's first shutout win versus a Big 12 opponent since defeating Baylor, 28-0, on Oct. 29, 2005
→ is Texas Tech's first shutout win at home versus a Big 12 opponent since defeating Texas A&M, 12-0, on Nov. 3, 2001.
- The win marks Texas Tech's largest margin of victory since a 65-19 victory over Kansas on Oct. 7, 2017.
→ all seven of Texas Tech's wins have been by wins of 24 points or greater this season.
- Texas Tech led 28-0 at the break, marking the fourth time this season the Red Raiders' defense shutout their opponent in the first half, but the first time against a Big 12 opponent.
→ The Red Raiders have outpaced their opponent in the first half this season by a margin of 214-40 through eight games.
- Texas Tech scored a touchdown in all three phases of the game on Saturday. J'Koby Williams (special teams) returned a kickoff 99 yards for a touchdown, Jacob Rodriguez (defense) returned a fumble 69 yards for a touchdown, in addition to the offense's four touchdown drives.
→ The last time the Red Raiders scored in all three phases was at Iowa State on Oct. 27, 2018.
- The Red Raiders blocked their fifth kick of the 2025 season. Its the most blocked kicks in a single by Texas Tech using records dating back to 1996.

