

POSTGAME NOTES





TEXAS TECH RED RAIDERS



ARK-PINE BLUFF GOLDEN LIONS

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1-0, 0-0 Big 12

Aug. 30, 2025 | 6:32 p.m. CDT | Jones AT&T Stadium | Lubbock, Texas | ESPN+

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Record	1-0 Overall; 0-0 Big 12
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Head Coach	Joey McGuire
Career Record	24-16 (4th Season)
Record vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff	1-0
Today's attendance	60,229
Kickoff temperature	83 degrees
Length of Game	4:43

TODAY'S STARTERS

(Offense) - (LT) Howard Sampson, (LG) Will Jados, (C) Sheridan Wilson, (RG) Davion Carter, (RT) Jacob Ponton, (QB) Behren Morton, (RB) Cameron Dickey, (TE) Johncarlos Miller, (TE) Terrance Carter Jr., (WR) Caleb Douglas, (WR) Reggie Virgil

(Defense) - (NG) Lee Hunter, (DT) Skler Howard-Sampson, (OLB) David Bailey, (LB-WILL) Jacob Rodriguez, (LB-MIKE) Ben Roberts, (OLB) Romello Height, (STAR) Brenden Jordan, (CB) Amier Boyd, (S) Cole Wisniewski, (S) Brenden Jordan, (CB) Brice Pollock

GETTING STARTED

- Tonight's weather at kickoff: 83 degrees, 11 mph winds from the southeast and partly cloudy skies.
- · Texas Tech won the coin toss and chose to defer the kickoff. Arkansas-Pine-Bluff started the first half with the ball.
- Texas Tech wore white helmets with red jerseys and red pants versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff.
- Tonight's game captains were Coy Eakin, Bryce Ramirez, Ben Roberts and Sheridan Wilson.
- Tonight's game was a sellout, with an attendance maximum of 60,229.

ABOUT THE WIN

- Texas Tech starts 1-0 for the 23rd time since the year 2000.
 - → The Red Raiders are 23-3 in season openers since 2000, and 70-28-3 in program history in their first game of the season.
- The win marks the 25th consecutive win for the Red Raiders against an FCS opponent dating back to 1991.
 - → The Red Raiders improve to 29-1 all-time versus FCS opponents with their only loss coming in 1988 to North Texas.
- The win is the first all-time in what was the first meeting between Texas Tech and Arkansas-Pine Bluff. The Golden Lions are slated to return to Lubbock in 2027 as part of a two-game schedule agreement.
- It gives Joey McGuire a 4-0 career record in games versus FCS opponents.
- It gives Joey McGuire a 16-5 career record in games played inside Jones AT&T Stadium.

TEAM NOTES

- · Tonight's game duration was 4:43 after experiencing a 1-hour, 28-minute lightning delay that began during halftime. When play resumed at 10:10 p.m., the two teams played an eight-minute third quarter and an eight-minute fourth quarter.
- Texas Tech's 67 points were the 10th-most points scored all-time in a single game. It was the most points scored in a game since scoring 66 versus North Texas in 2024.
- · Texas Tech's 60-point margin of victory tied for the ninth-largest margin of victory in program history. It was its largest margin of victory overall since defeating Lamar 77-0 in 2018.
- · The Red Raiders passed for six touchdowns, between three different quarterbacks. It was the most passing touchdowns in a single game since six versus Murray State in 2022. It was also the last game that three different quarterbacks had touchdown tosses in a single game, which Tyler Shough, Donovan Smith, and Behren Morton (It was Morton's first career TD pass).
- The Red Raiders surpassed 600 total yards of offense for the first time since totaling 608 yards versus Murray State in 2022.
- Texas Tech did not punt in Saturday's game. The Red Raiders have had two games in their last three played where they did not punt, dating back to having no punts versus West Virginia in the regular season finale.
- Texas Tech scored on 11 possessions on Saturday. It first four scoring plays came from Red Raider newcomers.
- · The Red Raiders blocked punt by Michael Harrison-Pilot was the 10th Texas Tech blocked kick since 2022; the Red Raiders entered the game tied for the eighth-most blocked kicks in the span.
- · Texas Tech has an 83.3 percent passing percentage (25-of-30) among its three quarterbacks who played. Morton finished 16-of-18. Will Hammond finished 7-of-9, while Mitch Griffis finished 2-of-3.
- The Red Raiders allowed only 175 total yards while their opponent was 4-of-15 on third downs.
- · Texas Tech missed its first PAT since Nov. 26, 2022.

NOTING THE RED RAIDERS

OFFENSE

OB. BEHREN MORTON (SR.) 16-0F-20, 201 YDS., 4 TDS, 0 INT

- Played in only the first half, as Tech led, 47-0, at the break.
- Had his fourth career four-touchdown performance. His first three came in 2024 (ACU-4, North Texas-5, at OSU-4).
- Entered 2025 having thrown multiple touchdown passes in each of his last four games, tied for the longest active streak in the FBS. Morton kept that streak alive, in the first quarter alone, with three touchdown passes.
- Finished with an 80.0% completion percentage (16-of-20).
- His 201 yards moved him to No. 9 in all-time career passing with 6,410, surpassing B.J. Symons (6,378).

QB, WILL HAMMOND (R-FR.)

7-0F-9, 92 YDS., 1 TDS, 0 INT

- Broke loose for a 64-yard touchdown run a career-long.
- Tossed his third career touchdown pass.

OB. MITCH GRIFFIS (SR.) 2-0F-3, 21 YDS., 1 TDS, 0 INT

Threw his first touchdown pass since Sept. 23, 2023, versus Georgia Tech.

RB, Cameron Dickey (So.) 12 rush, 90 yds., 1 TD

- Rushed for a career-high 90 yards.
- Scored his second career rushing touchdown.

RB, ADAM HILL (R-FR.)

8 RUSH, 78 YDS., 0 TD

- In first career game action, posted second-most yards on the team on Saturday night, carrying the ball 9.8 yards/carry
- Scored his second career rushing touchdown.

WR, REGGIE VIRGIL (SR.)

4 REC., 56 YDS., 1 TD

Caught Texas Tech's first touchdown of the 2025 season, a 9-yard pass from Behren Morton to cap a 4-play, 39-yard opening drive in 1-minute, 7 seconds.

DEFENSE

LB, BRYCE RAMIREZ (SR.) 4 TACKLES, 1.0 SACK, 1.0 TFL

- Tied for team lead with four tackles
- Registered first career sack.

CB, AMIER BOYD (JR.) 3 TACKLES, 1 INT

Has logged an interception in consecutive games dating back to his previous school (UTEP). Had an interception last time on the field versus Kennesaw State on Nov. 9, 2024, and again Saturday versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff.

SPECIAL TEAMS

DB, MICHAEL HARRISON-PILOT (SO.) **BLOCKED KICK, 17 ST SNAPS**

Blocked a punt in the first quarter; it was the first blocked punt by a Red Raider since Loic Fouonji versus Houston (9/30/23).





