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POSTGAME NOTES

USC vs. Washington Galen Center • Los Angeles, Calif. Thursday, January 14, 2021 Final: USC 95, Washington 68

- With the 95-68 win tonight, USC improved to 10-2, 4-1 and Washington fell to 1-10, 0-6.
- The 95 points scored tonight matched USC's season best, scored in the opener vs. California Baptist on Nov. 25.
- The 27-point win tonight was USC's biggest margin of victory over Washington since winning by 29 (85-56) at Washington on March 8, 2001.
- USC made its first 7 FGs and first 2 FTs tonight and took a 19-5 lead 6:50 into the game. USC made 10 of its first 11 field goal attempts in the game. The Trojans took a 44-23 lead into halftime. USC made 51.7 percent of its shots before the break, while Washington made 25.0 percent of its shots before halftime. USC finished shooting 50.8 percent from the field, while Washington made 37.9 percent of its shots.
- USC has held nine of its first 12 opponents to under 40 percent shooting.
- Isaiah Mobley scored a career-high 18 points tonight. His previous best was 17 in the 2019-20 season opener vs. FAMU on Nov. 5.
- Evan Mobley finished with 17 points, 6 rebounds, 3 assists and 2 blocks. He had his streak of consecutive double-doubles snapped at 3. He still leads Pac-12 players with 5 double-doubles this season.
- Chevez Goodwin scored a season-best 12 points tonight. He also had 5 blocks and 2 steals in 18 minutes of action.
- USC had 20 assists on 31 made baskets tonight. It was the team's second-highest assist output of the season (23 vs. UC Irvine on Dec. 8).
- USC's 9 steals tied a season high also accomplished on Dec. 8 vs. UC Irvine.
- USC outscored Washington 22-6 on Fastbreak points.
- Ethan Anderson played for the first time since Dec. 1 vs. BYU. He missed the last eight games with back spasms. He started USC's first three games but was limited to only 9 minutes vs. BYU on Dec. 1 with the back spasms. Anderson scored 3 points and had 2 assists in 14 minutes of action off the bench.
- USC forced 16 turnovers and outscored Washington 20-10 on points off turnovers.
- USC outscored Washington 42-22 on points in the paint. For the season, USC leads its opponents 430-274 on points scored in the paint.
- The USC games postponed in December due to a confirmed case of COVID-19 within the USC men's basketball program have been rescheduled. USC will play at Oregon State on Jan. 19 at 4 p.m. on ESPN2. The Trojans will also host Stanford at the Galen Center on Feb. 2. That game time is still to be determined and will air on FS1.
- USC's next will be vs. Washington State at the Galen Center at 6:30 p.m. on Jan. 16. The game will air on The Pac-12 Network with Roxy Bernstein and Don MacLean calling the action.

ANDY ENFIELD QUOTES, 1-14-21

"It was a good game for us. It was a good team effort. It was nice to make some shots. Our team played well on both ends.

"Ethan was consistent, he made some nice passes. It's nice to have his creativity. He just needs to get back into playing shape and get acclimated back to the speed and intensity. He feels a lot better, he's healthy. We're excited to get him back. He's on a minutes restriction right now. We didn't to play him too much. We'll probably do the same on Saturday.

"The key was to get the ball to certain parts against the zone and then pass the ball to the open man. Our whole team did a great job of that. Everybody was getting involved passing to the open man. The ball was moving tonight, there was no bad shot selection or selfishness.

"It was nice to see those (outside) balls go in. It's a big part of our team. We have a really good front line who can score in the post and around the rim. We need to spread the floor. The last 2 games it was hard. It really hurts your offense. Our guards needed to make shots and tonight they did a great job.





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"We got a lot of shots up in practice. When you have two bad games like that, it's not a good recipe for success. We have good shooters. It was surprising the last two games. They just need to have confidence, step in and shoot when you're open. When you're wide open, they have to shoot it."

EVAN MOBLEY QUOTES:

"It opened things up a lot. Any time they double down in the post and I can kick it out and they're hitting threes, it opens up things a lot.

"We (he and his brother) had a great chemistry this game. I just threw it up there and he finished and he did the same thing for me. It forced them to come out of the zone.

"It's great to see him (Isaiah Mobley) have his A game on. It puts less pressure on me, they have to focus on him. When our shooters are on, it puts less pressure on me. I'm glad Isaiah was on fire and I'm glad we were hitting tonight."

TAHJ EADDY QUOTES:

"It always feels good to see the ball go through the basket. We hadn't shot well the past two games, so to see the ball go through the basket, it definitely felt good.

"Ethan is naturally a pass-first point guard. He's always looking to collapse the defense and make the right read. Once his minutes restriction is up and he's able to see meaningful minutes, you'll see good chemistry between us."

WASHINGTON HEAD COACH MIKE HOPKINS:

"We're just getting crushed interior wise. We've got to be better, there's just no resistance. Our guys are fighting but we have to keep developing and getting better, right now it's just too easy. Both Mobley's are very talented, not only good at scoring but also passing. We're not getting the same resistance that we've had in the past in the paint and that's been killing us."

"In terms of the numbers, the defensive end right now is hurting us. Offensively we had 13 assists, nine three's and shot a good percentage there but it's the defensive end right now that's hurting us. We got down early and it's hard to play from behind against a really good defensive team. They use their size well and force you into the paint. That was very difficult, but we just couldn't stop them. It wasn't good enough and needs to get better."

