

# UTEP MINERS FOOTBALL

UTEP vs North Texas | 4 p.m. MT | Dec. 11, 2020 | Apogee Stadium | Denton, Texas

## POSTGAME NOTES

### GAME NOTES

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#### FINAL: NORTH TEXAS 45, UTEP 43

- North Texas won the coin toss and deferred to the second half. UTEP received the opening kickoff.

### QUICK HITTERS

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- The Miners played their second game in seven weeks.
- Although this was designated a “home game” for UTEP, the Miners played their fifth straight game in an opposing team’s stadium for the first time since 1986, when they played at NM State, Hawai’i, Iowa, Tennessee and New Mexico in succession.

### SCORING PLAYS

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- Sophomore QB **Calvin Brownholtz** scored his second rushing TD of the season off a career-long 29-yard run in the first quarter and added a five-yard rushing TD in the fourth quarter.
- Freshman RB **Deion Hankins** scored his eighth and ninth rushing touchdowns of the season in the second quarter. The nine rushing TD’s are the most by a freshman in school history.
- Brownholtz registered his first touchdown pass as a Miner early in the fourth quarter, connecting with sophomore WR **Jacob Cowing** for a 28-yard score.
- Cowing added another TD off a 17-yard pass from Brownholtz later in the fourth quarter.
- The 22 fourth quarter points matched the most for UTEP in a period under third-year coach **Dana Dimel**. UTEP also scored 22 points in the fourth quarter versus Middle Tennessee on Nov. 10, 2018.

### OFFENSE

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- Brownholtz made his first career start.
- Brownholtz has scored the only rushing touchdowns of his career in back-to-back games. He had a one-yard rushing TD at UTSA on Nov. 14.
- Brownholtz had career-highs across the board, completing 10-of-26 passes for 196 yards and two touchdowns and rushing 15 times for 114 yards and two TD’s.
- Hankins has scored a touchdown in three straight games and four of the last five.
- Hankins finishes the season with three games with multiple rushing TD’s (Stephen F. Austin, ULM, North Texas).
- Cowing has caught a touchdown pass in consecutive games.
- Cowing posted his first game with multiple touchdowns as a Miner.
- The Miners scored 43 points, their most in a game under coach **Dana Dimel**.
- The 43 points were the most by UTEP versus a Conference USA opponent since Nov. 26, 2016 versus North Texas (52).
- The 301 rushing yards were the most for the Miners in a game since Nov. 26, 2016 against North Texas (384).

### DEFENSE

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- UTEP had three first-time starters on defense -- junior CB **Robert Corner III**, junior S **Ty’reke James** and junior LB **Gary Theard**.
- Senior DE **Josh Ortega** made his first appearances since the second game of the season at Texas and made his third start of the season.
- Junior LB **Breon Hayward** posted a career-high 16 tackles, most by a UTEP player this season.
- Junior LB **Tyrice Knight** tallied 11 tackles and finished the season with 25 stops over the last two games.
- Senior LB **Jayson VanHook** was credited with a career-best nine stops tonight.