



## SAN DIEGO STATE AZTECS MEDIA RELATIONS

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### Postgame Football Notes – San Diego State vs. Weber State

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SDCCU Stadium | San Diego, Calif.

#### Big Notes

- The Aztecs recorded their first shutout since beating Hawai'i, 55-0, on Nov. 5, 2016.
- As of 10 p.m. PT Saturday, SDSU, Wisconsin, UCF, Maryland and Syracuse are the only teams to not allow a point this season.
- San Diego State allowed just five first downs to Weber State, the fewest allowed in its Division I era (since 1969) (previous low was six, which happened twice; most recently Oct. 3, 2015 vs. Fresno State).
- The six combined points are the fewest in an Aztec game in their Division I era (since 1969) (previous low was seven in a 7-0 win over UNLV on Nov. 8, 2003).
- Tonight was just the third 6-0 score since 2000.
- SDSU had only one penalty, its fewest in a game since not recording one at Air Force on Sept. 23, 2017. It's only the second time since 2015 that San Diego State had one or fewer penalties.
- San Diego State led wire-to-wire for the first time since defeating New Mexico, 35-10, on Nov. 24, 2017.
- Tonight was the Aztecs' shortest game time wise (2:41) since Nov. 18, 2006 against TCU (2:40).
- Out of Weber State's 51 plays, only one was inside SDSU territory, where the Aztecs stopped the Wildcats on fourth-and-1 on the SDSU 43.
- SDSU allowed only 154 total yards, its fewest since allowing 142 at New Mexico on Nov. 3, 2018. It is the sixth time since 2015 that the Aztecs have allowed 154 or less yards.
- San Diego State has now held an opponent to single-digits in scoring 14 times since 2015 (55 games).

#### Season Opener Notes

- San Diego State improved to 51-42-5 all-time in season-opening games, including a 26-24-1 mark in the Division I era (since 1969).
- The Aztecs improve to 10-11 in openers since joining the Mountain West in 1999.
- SDSU won its fifth consecutive opener that has been played at home. Over the five games, San Diego State has outscored its opponents, 150-27.
- The Aztecs are now 43-16-4 all-time when their season opener is at home, including a 23-7-1 mark in the Division I era and a 10-6 record in the MW era when the opener is at home.
- SDSU has now won seven of its last eight season openers played at SDCCU Stadium.

#### Team Notes

- SDSU has won 19 of its last 29 (20-9) games, 26 of its last 37 (26-11), 39 of its last 51 (39-12) and 40 since the 2015 season (40-15).
- San Diego State held an opponent scoreless in the first quarter for the first time since the 2018 opener at No. 13/13 Stanford.

- The Aztecs held an opponent scoreless through the first half for the first time since Nov. 24, 2017 vs. New Mexico (W, 35-10).
- Opponents have converted just 11 of its last 41 fourth-down attempts (.268) against the Aztecs.

### **Series Notes**

- San Diego State improved to 3-0 all-time against Weber State.
- The Aztecs improved to 34-13 all-time against current members of the Big Sky Conference.

### **Trends**

- SDSU started with the ball for the 85<sup>th</sup> time in the last 98 games.
- SDSU held its opponent scoreless on its opening drive for the 40<sup>th</sup> time since 2015 (55 games).
- The Aztecs improved to 52-15 in the Rocky Long era when scoring first.
- SDSU improved to 51-12 in the Rocky Long era when leading at the half.
- San Diego State improved to 60-12 in the Rocky Long era when leading after three quarters.
- The Aztecs improved to 23-12 in the Rocky Long era in games decided by three or less points.
- SDSU improved to 60-5 in the Rocky Long era when holding its opponent to less than 24 points.
- San Diego State won its 30<sup>th</sup> straight game when holding the opposition to 17 or less points and is now 45-1 in the Rocky Long era when that occurs.
- The Aztecs improved to 38-12 in the Rocky Long era when allowing less than 100 rushing yards.
- SDSU improved to 26-6 in Rocky Long era when allowing less than 150 passing yards.
- San Diego State improved to 39-3 when holding the opposition to a 33.3 percent or less mark on third

### **Player Notes**

#### **\* Ryan Agnew, Jr., QB (16-for-30, 108 yds., 0 TD, 0 INT)**

- Threw for 108 yards.
- Improved to 7-1 as the team's starting quarterback.

#### **\* Brandon Heicklen, Sr., P (9 att., 441 yds., 49.0 avg., L58, I20 3)**

- Punted nine times for 441 yards, averaging 49.0 yards per boot.
- Five of his nine punts went for 50-plus yards.
- Set career highs in punting yards (441), punt average (49.0, previous high was 44.9) and 50-yard punts (5).
- Tied a career long with a 58-yard punt.

#### **\* Dwayne Johnson Jr., Jr., AZT (12 tackles, 1.5 TFL)**

- Recorded a career- and game-high 12 tackles, including 1.5 tackles for loss in his second career start (first since Oct. 28, 2017 at Hawai'i).
- Had 12 tackles after entering with 16 career tackles in 25 games.
- Led the team in tackles for the first time of his career.
- Recorded his first game with double-digits in tackles.

#### **\* Tariq Thompson, Jr., WAR (5 tackles, 1 INT, 3 PBU)**

- Had five tackles, one interception and three pass breakups.
- The interception was the eighth of his career, which has come in 27 games.
- Tied a career high with three pass breakups.

### **Other Notes**

- WAR Tariq Thompson started for the 27<sup>th</sup> consecutive game, the longest streak on the team (offense/defense).
- LB Troy Cassidy played in his 38<sup>th</sup> straight game, the longest streak on the team.
- Five Aztecs made their first career start, including WR Jesse Matthews, RG William Dunkle, LB Caden McDonald, DE Keshawn Banks and DT Cameron Thomas.
- WR Jesse Matthews made his first career start in his first career game played.
- RT Jacob Capra made his first career start as an Aztec (Capra previously started once while at Oregon in 2017).
- The following Aztecs played in their first career game: Jeffrey Blake, William Dunkle, Garret Fountain (true freshman), Nolen Harris, Sam Hines, Jalil Lecky, Jesse Matthews, Patrick McMorris (true freshman) and Michael Shawcroft (true freshman).
- Tonight's temperature was 80 degrees.
- Tonight's attendance was 40,222.
- Tonight's Aztec Honor Warrior was Tim Delaney (1968-70).

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