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## **Postgame Football Quotes – San Diego State vs. New Mexico**

**Oct. 9, 2021**

**Dignity Health Sports Park | Carson, Calif.**

### **San Diego State Head Coach Brady Hoke**

#### **Opening statement:**

"I want to compliment Coach Rocky Long and Head Coach Danny Gonzalez because they are two really good people and really good football coaches. You can tell a difference from a year ago and how they are building their team. More importantly, acknowledge our players and how they reacted throughout the year. They understand this is a championship season and that every game counts. We have to do our part to prepare, Monday through Friday, and then get out and play our best football. Our guys have done a nice job. We improved in areas we needed to. We wanted to start fast on both sides of the ball, and we did that. We did not have any penalties in the first half, and we did a nice job. Then we had three in a row, almost around the third quarter, but we are better as far as that one. We have big goals. Look at Nevada, they beat Boise State last week, and then Boise State beat BYU today. It tells you how good the Mountain West is and what kind of football teams we are going to face in the future."

#### **On QB Jordon Brookshire's return from injury:**

"Coming off the injury and then coming back and practicing, Jordon got himself out of a rut. He talked to Jeff Horton on the phone and he did a nice job, getting himself back in a good place from a fundamental standpoint."

#### **On a point of improvement for QB Jordon Brookshire:**

"I look forward to watching the tape. On a couple of Jordan's throws, he stumbled a bit, didn't set his feet and did not get his platform as we like him to."

#### **On WR Tyrell Shavers' performance and maturation within the program:**

"It has been neat to see him become more attached to this football program and this culture as we go forward. Looking at what he has done on special teams, He has done a tremendous job on our special teams. While he did have a dumb penalty tonight on a kickoff return, look at what he has done with our punt, punt block team and return team. He is a little bit of a mismatch. He is 6'6" with long arms, and if you get a small corner on a guy like that, that can be a problem."

#### **On Trenton Thompson's toughness and growth:**

"I am a big Trent Thompson fan, you know he's a little ornery sometimes, but I can promise you he is a football player. You like guys who go and have a toughness to him and who work hard at it. It has been cool to look at his maturity, from when I first got here in 2019 to where he is at now."

#### **On Greg Bell's fumble:**

"You cannot put the ball on the ground. That hurts our football team, and so that is something that Greg and the rest of the team need to continue to work on. We take a lot of pride in that."

### **San Diego State Quarterback Jordon Brookshire**

#### **On his performance tonight:**

"I thought I played decently but there is definitely a lot to work on. I'll go over the film and watch everything this week and work to improve."

**On playing well in the second half:**

"I started to get more comfortable because my teammates and my coaches have confidence in me. Every time I came off the field they'd tell me to relax and focus on my feet, things like that to help me play better."

**San Diego State Defensive End Keshawn Banks****On defense not allowing any points:**

"It feels good. That's our goal, to allow zero points defensively. As [Coach Hoke] said, we have big goals, so there are a lot of things we need to tighten up in a coverage aspect, but overall, it feels good to pitch a shutout."

**On starters celebrating reserves defensive stops:**

"It goes back to our brotherhood. Coach tells us all the time it takes everyone to win a championship. Any of us could go down at any moment, so the next guy needs to be ready to step up. It's reassuring as a leader and as an older guy because we were once in those shoes."

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**New Mexico Head Coach Danny Gonzales****On Terry Wilson's injury:**

"It looks like he has a dislocated elbow. Which, depending on how serious it is, hopefully, he will be able to play through it since his injury was to his non-throwing arm. We will see more tomorrow, but we will have a better idea when we go out to practice on Tuesday."

**On his offense:**

"We did some things in spurts, but still not good enough. We have gone way too many quarters without scoring touchdowns. We are playing with enough opportunities on defense, but we are not capitalizing on offense. We are not putting the ball in the end zone, which if you do not score, you do not have the chance to win. We need to make plays. When we throw the ball, we need to make 50-50 balls on both sides."

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