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### San Diego State Postgame Notes vs. Illinois State

\*\*\* Final Edition

**Final Score:** San Diego State 75, Illinois State 65

**Records:** San Diego State: 5-2; Illinois State 6-3

**Next Game:** Wed., Dec. 5 | vs. San Diego, 7 p.m. PT | Steve Fisher Court at Viejas Arena | San Diego, Calif. | STADIUM, Facebook

#### The Big Notes

- \* - Jalen McDaniels has scored in double figures in a career-high eight straight games, had a career-best 15 rebounds and posted his 10<sup>th</sup> career double-double (SDSU is 9-1 in those games).
- \* - Devin Watson scored a season-high 23 points and added seven rebounds and three assists. He has made multiple three sin five straight games.
- \* - San Diego State snap's Illinois State's 10-game homecourt losing streak and hand the Redbird their widest-margin of defeat in a home game since Nov. 15, 2016 (Evansville, 55-66).
- \* - San Diego State improves to 19-1 under Brian Dutcher when holding the opposition to 40 percent or less from the field (18-58, 31.0 percent).

#### Team Notes

- \* - San Diego State improves to 5-2 on the season.
- \* - The Aztecs hand Illinois State its first home loss of the season and snap the Redbirds 10-game homecourt win streak.
- \* - Prior to today, Illinois State's last home loss came on Jan. 10, 2018, when the Redbirds loss a 68-61 decision to a Loyola team that would later advance to the Final Four and finished the season 32-6.
- \* - The Aztecs hand ISU just its fifth loss in its last 42 home games.
- \* - San Diego State wins its third consecutive road game (dating back to last season). It marks the longest road winning streak for the Aztecs since SDSU won three straight road games from Feb. 21-Mar. 1, 2016.
- \* - San Diego State improves to 6-2 record in the Missouri Valley Challenge and has won four of its last five games in the event.
- \* - San Diego State is 14-3 in its last 17 games dating back to last season.
- \* - The Aztecs are 12-1 in their last 13 games against teams that were not nationally-ranked at game time.
- \* - San Diego State now owns a 3-2 series lead against the Redbirds, having won the last three encounters against Illinois State.

- \* - San Diego State is 48-11 in its 59 games played during the month of December.
- \* - This is the first time San Diego State has played on a Saturday this season but the Aztecs have won their last five games played on this day of the week.
- \* - SDSU snapped a modest two-game losing streak when wearing the black uniforms.
- \* San Diego State has won 15 straight games when leading at the half.

## **Player Notes**

### **Jalen McDaniels – 12 points, career-high 15 rebounds, 2 assists**

Pulled down a career-high 15 rebounds (previous best was 13, twice)... Scored in double figures for a career-best eighth straight game... Posted his 27<sup>th</sup> career double-figure scoring game (20-7)... It was his first double-double of the season and the 10<sup>th</sup> of his career (9-1)... Led the Aztecs in rebounding for the 24<sup>th</sup> time in his career (20-4)... Now has 304 career rebounds.

### **Devin Watson – 23 points, game-high 7 assists, 7-14 FGs, 3-7 3FGs**

Scored in double figures for the sixth time this season (in seven games), the 71<sup>st</sup> time in his career and the 29<sup>th</sup> time at SDSU (21-8)... Led the team in assists for the fifth time this season (4-1) and the 17<sup>th</sup> time at SDSU... Has made multiple three-point field goal sin five consecutive games (14 during that span)... Has seven or more assists three time this season.

### **Jeremy Hemsley – 17 points, 5 rebounds, 3 assists, 3 steals**

Scored a season-high 17 points and now has 37 career points in two games against the Redbirds... He added a season-high five rebounds as well... Connected on two three-point field goals in the contest, matching his season-best performance from the opening game of the campaign against Arkansas-Pine Bluff (11-6-18).

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