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San Diego State Postgame Notes vs. San José State Steve Fisher Court at Viejas Arena | San Diego, Calif. December 8, 2019

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Next Game: Wednesday, Dec. 18 | vs. San Diego Christian, 7 p.m. PT | San Diego, Calif. | Stream: MWN | Radio: 101.5 KGB & XTRA 1360

Next Media Availability: Tuesday, Dec. 10 | details will be sent to the media tomorrow

Big Notes

- San Diego State is one of eight undefeated teams in the country.
- San Diego State improves to 10-0 and continues the second-best start in the program's 99 seasons.
- San Diego State's 10-game win streak is the longest of the Brian Dutcher era and is the seventh longest in school history.
- In San Diego State history there have been seven win-streaks of at least 10 games. Brian Dutcher has been on the sidelines for six of them.
- Junior forward **Matt Mitchell** (13 points, 9 rebounds) scored in double figures for the fourth straight game and tied his career-high with nine rebounds.
- Sophomore forward **Nathan Mensah** (12 points, 12 rebounds) had his third double-digit rebounding effort of the season and seventh of his career. His 12 rebounds are a career-high and his 12 points mark the third time this year he has reached double figures and ninth of his career. The double-double is the third of his career.
- Junior guard **Malachi Flynn**'s game winning three-pointer with 0.9 second to play is the first for an Aztecs since Dwayne Polee II hit a three with 4.2 seconds to play at Boise State to win 67-65 on Feb. 5, 2014. His 9 points are the first time this season he has failed to reach double figures in the scoring column.
- San Diego State's 59 points are the fewest the Aztecs have scored in a victory since a 51-38 win against Air Force on March 1, 2017.
- Oddly, San Diego State has won its last three games when shooting 31.7 percent or worse from the field; the other two March 8, 2017 and March 14, 2019, both at UNLV.
- San Diego State has won 15 consecutive games when holding its opponent to 40.0 percent or worse and are 37-3 in the Dutcher era when doing the same.
- San Diego State has 30 straight when holding the opponent to under 60 points.
- In its last 16 conference home game, San Diego State is 15-1, which included two AP top-25 wins.
- San Diego State has won five straight meetings against San José State and is 12-1 in its last 13 games against the Spartans.
- San Diego State has won its last eight home games against the Spartans and is a perfect 8-0 against SJSU in Viejas Arena history.
- San Diego State has won 15 straight games when leading at intermission.
- San Diego State is 14-1 in its last 15 home games and is 32-5 at Viejas Arena in the Brian Dutcher era.
- The Aztecs are 52-14 in its last 66 games played during the month of December.

- San Diego State has opened Mountain West play with a 2-0 record 10 times since the inaugural season (1999-00) of Mountain West. In eight of those 10 seasons, San Diego State has gone on to play in the postseason (NCAA – 2014-15, 2013-14, 2012-13, 2011-12 & 2010-11 and NIT – 2008-09, 2007-08 & 2002-03).

Individual Players

Matt Mitchell – team-high 13 points, tied career-high 9 rebounds

Reached double figures in four consecutive games for the third time in his career... Mitchell has five double digit scoring games this season (5-0) and 42 times in his career (29-13)... Recorded the fourth 9 rebound game of his career, which is a season-high... In his last four games he has 58 points (14.5 ppg), 24 rebounds (6.0 rebounds).

Nathan Mensah – 12 points, career-high 12 rebounds

Recorded his first double double of the season and the third of his career (3-0)... Had a double double in the second half with 12 points and 10 rebounds... His 12 rebounds are the third time this season he has reached double figures (3-0) and the seventh of his career (7-0)... Mensah's 12 rebounds are a career-high, surpassing his previous high of 11 which he accomplished six times previously, including the first two games of the season.

Jordan Schakel – 11 points

Reached double figures for the fifth time this season (5-0) and the 16th time in his career (14-2)... Connected on a three-point field goal for the ninth time in 10 games this season... He entered today's game ranked 11th nationally in three-point field goal percentage... Entering tonight, he had 36 points in his last three games (12.0 ppg).

Entering Today

- Entering the day, San Diego State was one of nine unbeaten teams in the nation and the only one from either the Pacific Time Zone or the Mountain West Conference.
- San Diego State was 2nd in strength of record.
- San Diego State was 10th in the Sagarin Ratings.
- San Diego State was 11th in RPI.
- San Diego State was 16th in BPI.
- San Diego State was 23rd in KenPom