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POSTGAME NOTES

// 2018-19 KANSAS MEN'S BASKETBALL

#5/5 Kansas 87, Eastern Michigan 63

Saturday, December 29, 2018
Allen Fieldhouse // Lawrence, Kan.

KU STARTERS (SEASON/CAREER)

Devon Dotson (12/12)
Quentin Grimes (12/12)
Lagerald Vick (10/51)
Dedric Lawson (12/76*) *Includes 64 starts at Memphis*
Udoka Azubuike (48/8)

SERIES INFO: KU leads, 1-0

ATTENDANCE: 16,300 (282nd-consecutive sellout)

KANSAS' WIN...

- Made Kansas 11-1 heading into Big 12 play
- Made KU 86-11 following a loss in the Bill Self era
- Gave KU a 1-0 series edge against Eastern Michigan
- Made Kansas 6-1 in the month of December
- Gave Kansas its 11th-straight win in Allen Fieldhouse
- Made KU 779-113 all-time in Allen Fieldhouse, including 241-13 under head coach Bill Self
- Made Self 458-97 while at Kansas and 665-202 overall
- Made Kansas 2,259-850 all-time.

TEAM NOTES

- Kansas recorded season highs in field goal percentage (55.4), defensive rebounds (33), assists (25) and turnovers (17).
- The Jayhawks' 25 assists were their most since also dishing 25 dimes against Omaha on Dec. 18, 2017.
- Kansas' 46-25 advantage at halftime marked its largest lead at an intermission this season. It also marked KU's largest halftime edge since holding a 55-29 lead over Omaha on Dec. 18, 2017.
- The Jayhawks hit 65.4 percent (17-26) from the field in the first half, their highest field goal percentage in a half this season and the best since KU shot 65.7 percent (23-35) in the second half against Omaha last season.
- Kansas did not have a field goal for the first 4:28 of the second half.
- Despite a negative 10 margin in offensive rebounds (9-19), the Jayhawks managed to outscore the Eagles in second chance points, 12-7.

OPPONENT NOTES

- Forward James Thompson pulled down 14 boards, the most rebounds by a Kansas opponent this season.
- The Eagles 19 offensive rebounds tied the most by a Kansas opponent this season.
- Eastern Michigan's 18.8 percent from 3-point range was the lowest 3-point field goal percentage by a Kansas opponent this season.
- The Eagle bench scored 30 points, marking the third-straight game an opponent bench has tallied 26 or more points. This in the three games after KU held Villanova's bench scoreless on Dec. 15.
- EMU's James Thompson IV and Ty Groce both pulled down double figure rebounds at 14 and 10, respectively. The last team to do this against the Jayhawks was Iowa State on January 9, 2018.

INDIVIDUAL NOTES

Junior center Udoka Azubuike

- Saw first action since exiting KU's game vs. Wofford on Dec. 4 with an ankle sprain.
- His 23 points tied a season-high.
- His 10-of-13 clip from the field marked the sixth time in his 55-career outings that he has posted 10 or more field goals in a game.
- Tallied two blocks to hit the 90 for his career. He is eight rejections from tallying Paul Pierce at 20th on KU's all-time blocks list.

RS-Junior forward Dedric Lawson

- With his 4-for-4 shooting from the free throw line, has now connected on 14-straight charities dating back to the closing moments of KU's win over Villanova (12/15).
- His third game with five or more assists.

Freshman guard Quentin Grimes

- Tallied 16 points, his highest scoring output since turning in 21 points in the season-opener against Michigan State (11/6).
- His 6-for-6 from the charity stripe was a season-best and marked the second perfect night for a Jayhawk from the free throw line with a minimum of five attempts (D. Lawson, 5-for-5 vs. Arizona State).

Freshman guard Devon Dotson

- His 15 points marked the eighth time he has hit double figures this season, a figure that ties him for second on the team.
- Tallied a block for the second-consecutive game.

RS-Sophomore guard Charlie Moore

- With his 2-for-4 shooting from 3-point range, is now 9-for-16 (56.3 percent) over his last three games from beyond the arc.