

KANSAS FOOTBALL POSTGAME QUOTES



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Kansas
JAYHAWKS
1-8, 0-6 Big 12

VS

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Kansas State
WILDCATS
6-3, 3-3 Big 12



KANSAS HEAD COACH LANCE LEIPOLD

On how the offense performed ...

"Subpar. I thought we had a little rhythm there and there when Locklin got hurt and Jason got shaken up and tried to go back and Miles got hurt. Those injuries and having them carted them off the field took a little bit of wind out of us. I don't want to take anything away from Coach Klieman and his program. We lost some intensity. They generated some big plays. Offensively, it sputtered. There were glimpses at times. When you only rush for 88 yards, it's not the type of day we are going to need to be a winning football program."

On the issues defensively ...

"They have some explosive players playing with confidence and playing fast all the time when there's time to be places. It's not a matter of willing or wanting. It's a matter of confidence to go make it happen. That happens from time to time. There's a couple plays, maybe there's some miscommunication. I think again about our inability to get to the quarterback. Everyone who watches can see that. He's covering and then it's like he pulled off the throttle a little bit because the coverage at the beginning wasn't bad. We have to continue to rotate and find depth and find ways for young men to get better and gain confidence."

On the team's discipline and the penalty on Gavin Potter ...

"It was on the far sideline, so I can't see it yet. Obviously, it's something I'm not pleased with. He thinks he's playing hard. You guys probably see it a lot more. It's not surprising to see where it was heading because it was a quarterback hit out of bounds. I don't know how blatant it was. It's not acceptable that we want in our program or the one that followed after. When things don't go right, the next thing everyone can start poking at is our composure and our discipline and we aren't going to accept that. Myself and Chris Simpson have talked about it and tried to catch it that way. I told Coach Klieman after the game that's not the way we are going to play and I think he knows that's not how we coach it. I think it's frustration. I think it's a lot of things we have to do to be better than that. I have to do a better job than that."

On Jalen Daniels' performance ...

"Competed hard. His numbers aren't bad. Score may dictate some of that. Considering the amount of reps he had, and to come in there. As we said about a month ago, our mindset when you say to stay ready, you don't think that two guys will become unavailable. So for him, he didn't flinch. He got ready. He battled. His first throw I think bounces or whatever it's his first game rep that was live and in a long time, and there were things there that were rusty. I thought he did a fine job given the circumstances."

On his biggest takeaways ...

"We've got to keep working. Got to keep working. That's the biggest thing I've said for a long time. Our margin of error is small and we have to find a way to overcome things that don't go our way and respond better than we have and become a little bit more consistent."

KANSAS STATE HEAD COACH CHRIS KLIEMAN

On the game overall...

"This one means an awful lot to those guys and the state, and a ton to the almost 60 kids we have on our team from the state of Kansas. Couldn't be more happy with the way the guys started in the first half and the second half. Obviously wasn't perfect, we've got to clean some things up, but in the same respect when you play a rivalry and have won as many times in a row as K-State has there is some anxiety to that, and the guys had great focus throughout the week and our preparation was really good. We have won three games in a row, and it tells you an awful lot about the character and resolve and of our guys the way we started it off with confidence. It was always continued belief in that locker room and continued belief in those leaders. We are doing some things really well and you can tell we are playing with confidence and playing with a little edge and a little bit of swagger. We are playing faster overall, I think the guy's bodies are pretty fresh which is something that we focused on cause last year was so odd, this is a new year we are retraining guys to play a twelve-game season."

On what he is happiest about the game ...

"That these Kansas kids were able to get another win over Kansas, to be a KStater this game means everything. For those kids in that locker room so many of them took a chance on KState."

On what he thinks about the KU football program ...

"Well, I know the man that is leading them, Lance Leipold, I don't know their locker room, I don't know their talent level. I know they got the right guy leading them because Lance Leipold is a class act, he is very similar to me. We worked the FBS and the power five, we worked our way to get to this level and Lance is the right guy for the job."