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**KANSAS
JAYHAWKS**
1-0, 0-0 Big 12

**TENNESSEE TECH
GOLDEN EAGLES**
0-1, 0-0 Ohio Valley

POSTGAME QUOTES

Head Coach Lance Leipold

On what he saw on the field tonight...

"Well there's a lot of consistency. Our ability to create explosive plays, short drives and scoring. Even when things weren't good, we turned the ball over, or something happened I thought our defense responded really well, one turnover that led to a field goal and then the other one was a missed field goal. So, some of those things there. Played a lot of guys, a lot of guys in the first half and you can see there's been lots of talk about the depth and competition acquisitions, I think you can see where we're rolling those guys in on both sides of the ball if there's not a drop off, and that's encouraging. Our players are on a schedule, and you go from there and you evaluate but if it's a game where we should win by this margin then I think we went out and we've done that. But we'll continue to look at everything we've done and how we've executed."

On Jalon's two-minute drive before half...

"Yea you know we talked about it, you saw the clock and you kind of know okay, we can get on well, I got one timeout left so we may have to burn it and all those things are being talked about. And, again, I think just the time with our guys, walk-throughs in camp and some things we've continually done to improve. I think he's more comfortable in the situation. He's more comfortable on the field, all the things that you could kind of see and something that you really want to see transpire in the game like this as well to get a chance to work on."

On his fourth down call and if he would have gone for it no matter what...

"Well the score, location and you get all this data, but you know we lost a yard on the play before and I think at that time and you know, you're playing pretty good defense and I wouldn't change it."

Tennessee Tech Head Coach Dewayne Alexander

"Congrats to the Kansas Jayhawks, and Coach Leipold. He is doing a tremendous job, they got the right guy here for the University of Kansas, he's a class act. You look at their team, they didn't get a spring practice last year. Had to start the season, really the first time he met the players was preseason camp, you watch their film from last season, they got better and better and better and they finished the season strong with a big win over Texas in overtime at Texas and played West Virginia and TCU very, very tough and you could tell they brought in some new players. Transfer players and we knew they were going to be a physical offense line, defense line and not beat themselves and I thought especially the first half of the game I don't think they had a penalty, they played very physical upfront on both sides of the ball so they did a nice job. I did not think we made them earn most of the stuff they got. We gave up a field goal. We had a chance in the red-zone to kick a field goal and they blocked it and ran it in for a touchdown. We had a couple special teams errors that gave them a short field defensively. We were out there at the start of the first part of the game, they played on our end of the field a lot. Once we settled down, halftime we wanted to come out, win the third quarter and win the second half of the game. We started the second half with a 4th down stop. I was very pleased with our defense there, they held them at fourth down. Then they picked off a pass defensively, Jacquez McGowan, picked off the pass. We get the ball inside the red zone, we miss a field goal, short field goal, you know being more consistent, you know I think in the with our team. Overall, I thought the effort was there, our team was never gonna quit, we played down the stretch. We got a score there late, recovered a fumble late, so you know we finished the game strong but bottom line we just did not play well enough in the first half, really the game at that point was kinda out of reach for us."