

# 49



**KANSAS  
JAYHAWKS**  
8-4, 5-4 Big 12

vs



**CINCINNATI  
BEARCATS**  
3-9, 1-8 Big 12

# 16

## POSTGAME NOTES

**Series History:** Kansas leads 2-1 all-time; Series tied 1-1 all-time in Cincinnati.

**Kansas Captains:** Jalon Daniels, Mason Fairchild, Rich Miller, Mike Novitsky

**Coin Toss:** Kansas won the toss and deferred. Cincinnati received the opening kickoff.

### Team Notes

- Kansas is now 605-679-58 all-time, including 16-21 in the Lance Leipold era.
- This is the first win by Kansas in a regular season finale since 2008.
- Kansas secures an 8-win season for the 15th time in program history, third time since the formation of the Big 12 Conference in 1996, and first since 2008.
- At 8-4, Kansas finishes with its best regular season record since going 11-1 in 2008.
- Kansas finishes the regular season with a 3-2 record on the road, its most regular season road wins since the 2007 season (4-0).
- The Jayhawks finish their Big 12 schedule with a 5-4 record, its best Big 12 Conference record since 2007. It is also just Kansas ninth season with five or more conference wins in a season.
- Kansas held Cincinnati to just 16 points, the fewest points allowed in a road Big 12 Conference win since 2007 at Texas A&M (W, 19-11).
- Kansas' 33-point victory over Cincinnati is the largest Big 12 Conference road win since Nov. 15, 1980, when Kansas defeated Colorado, 42-3.
- Kansas has qualified for a bowl game in back-to-back seasons for only the second time in school history, first time since 2007-08

### Offensive Notes

- Devin Neal rushed for 106 yards and 2 touchdowns on 10 carries, marking his 3rd consecutive 100-yard rushing game, 6th of the season and 12th of his career. He has now rushed for 1,209 yards this season, which ranks 4th on KU's single-season rushing list. Neal has rushed for 15 touchdowns this season, which is third-most in Kansas history, and his 16 total touchdowns this season is tied for second in school history with Brandon McAnderson in 2007.
- For his career, Neal has now surpassed 3,000 career rushing yards and sits 5th in school history with 3,006 yards and third with 32 career rushing touchdowns. He moved up to eighth in school history for career all-purpose yards with 3,460, surpassing Laverne Smith, who had 3,402 yards. Neal now has nine career games with multiple rushing touchdowns.
- Jason Bean started the game going 10-for-10 for 190 yards and two touchdowns in the first half. The 10 consecutive completions to open the game are the most by a Kansas quarterback since at least 2003, with the previous best being nine straight completions by both Kerry Meier and Todd Reesing against Iowa State on Nov. 17, 2007. Bean finished 13-of-17 for 250 yards and 2 touchdowns, passing teammate Jalon Daniels for 4th in school history with 32 passing touchdowns, while surpassing Bill Whittemore for 9th in career passing yards with 4,213.
- Bean added two rushing touchdowns in the fourth quarter, first a 43-yard touchdown followed by a 50-yard touchdown run. It was the second time in his career at Kansas with two rushing touchdowns, first since at Coastal Carolina in 2021. Bean finished with 90 yards on four attempts, and he's now rushed for three touchdowns this season and nine in his career.
- Jared Casey hauled in a 15-yard touchdown from Bean in the second quarter for his second receiving touchdown of the season and seventh of the season. Casey has caught at least one pass in six games this season and now has two touchdowns, with his other coming against Illinois on Sept. 8.
- Mason Fairchild caught his third touchdown of the season, catching a 26-yard scoring strike from Bean just before halftime. It was the 80th career reception for Fairchild, who ranks 4th in Kansas football history for receptions by a tight end. Fairchild now has 80 receptions for 1,082 yards and 10 touchdowns during his career at Kansas.
- Luke Grimm totaled 56 yards on three receptions. He now has 122 career receptions, which ties him with Clark Green for 9th in Kansas football history. Grimm also surpassed Marcus Henry for 11th in career receiving yards with 1,622.
- Lawrence Arnold had three receptions for 74 yards in the contest, giving him 115 career receptions. Arnold ranks 12th in career receptions and 9th in receiving yards with 1,727.
- Dylan McDuffie carried the ball eight times for 47 yards and a touchdown, his fourth score of the season and first since scoring twice against UCF on Oct. 7. McDuffie also had a touchdown run in KU's season opener against Missouri State.

### Defensive Notes

- Cobee Bryant recorded his third interception of the season and eighth of his career when he picked off Cincinnati quarterback Brady Lichtenberg in the second quarter. With eight career interceptions, Bryant moves into a tie for 10th in career interceptions at Kansas, matching the mark of Darrell Stuckey, Justin Thornton and Richard Bertuzzi.
- Kenny Logan Jr. reached double figures in tackles for the second time this season and 13th time in his career, finishing with 10 stops. Logan leads the Jayhawks with 86 tackles for the season and ranks 6th in school history with 377 career tackles, the most by a defensive back in school history.