



Bemidji State University

Sports Information

Post-Game Notes: Bemidji State at Concordia-St. Paul

Sept. 24, 2005; Griffin Stadium; St. Paul, Minn.
Concordia-St. Paul 55, Bemidji State 48 (one overtime)

Series Notes

- ▶ Bemidji State falls to 2-5 in seven all-time games against Concordia-St. Paul and leaves BSU winless in road games in the series (0-4).
- ▶ Concordia-St. Paul extended its streak of consecutive wins on its home field to 17.
- ▶ BSU topped the 40-point barrier for the second consecutive meeting with Concordia-St. Paul and for the third time in seven all-time meetings.
- ▶ Concordia-St. Paul's 55 points scored are the most for either team in the series.

BSU Head Coach Jeff Tesch

- ▶ Tesch sees his career record fall to 58-42 in his 10th season at Bemidji State and his 10th season as a collegiate head coach.
- ▶ Falls to 2-5 all-time against Concordia-St. Paul.
- ▶ Loses Game 4 of a season after starting 3-0 for the second time at BSU; also lost Game 4 after starting 3-0 in 1999.

Team Notes

- ▶ Bemidji State sees its all-time record fall to 274-376-24 (.424) in 674 games over 80 seasons of intercollegiate competition.
- ▶ BSU falls to 147-231-12 (.390) in 392 all-time games against Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference opposition.
- ▶ BSU misses its second 4-0 start in the Jeff Tesch era and the sixth in 80 years of football competition.
- ▶ BSU's winning streak ends at five games; that streak is tied for the longest at BSU in the Jeff Tesch era. BSU also won five games under Tesch from Oct. 28, 2000 to Sept. 8, 2001 - the last three games of the 2000 season and the first two of 2001.
- ▶ Bemidji State's road winning streak ends at four.

- ▶ Noting Concordia-St. Paul quarterback James McNear:
 - ...generated 524 yards of total offense - 215 yards rushing on 22 carries, and 309 yards on 22-of-40 passing.
 - ...accounted for six touchdowns - four rushing and two passing.
 - ...first BSU opponent to account for six or more touchdowns in a game since Minn.-Duluth's Ricky Fritz (6 pass) on Oct. 27, 2001.
 - ...first BSU opponent to account for 400 or more yards of total offense since Winona State's Brian Wrobel (362 pass, 65 rush) on Oct. 9, 2004.
 - ...first BSU opponent to score four or more touchdowns in a game since Chadron State's Danny Woodhead (5 rush) on Sept. 11, 2004.
 - ...four rushing touchdowns today give him six in his career against Bemidji State, but today's were his first since he was a freshman in 2002. That year, McNear scored against BSU on runs of 6 and 12 yards.
 - ...McNear's second touchdown run covered 45 yards; it marked the third touchdown run of 45 or more yards surrendered by the BSU defense in the last two games. BSU allowed just three rushing touchdowns of 45 or more yards all last season (all to Chadron State's Danny Woodhead).
- ▶ Bemidji State rallied from a 15-point second-quarter deficit to hold a 19-point lead in the third quarter.
 - ...Concordia-St. Paul rallied to win, marking the largest lead blown by a BSU since at least the beginning of the 2001 season.
 - ...since the start of the 2001 season, the largest lead blown by a BSU team was 11 points, on two occasions. BSU lost 34-31 after leading Northern State, 31-20, on Oct. 23, 2004; and lost 52-25 after leading at Minnesota-Duluth on Nov. 11, 2002.

- ▶ Bemidji State's defense allowed 55 points and 608 yards of total offense on 80 snaps...
 - ...most points allowed since a 58-14 loss at Winona State on Nov. 4, 1995.
 - ...608 yards allowed fell just 25 yards shy of the school record; Michigan Tech had 633 yards on Oct. 5, 1974.
 - ...no note is immediately available on the last time BSU surrendered more than 600 yards of total offense; today marked the first time since the start of the 1999 season BSU allowed an opponent to gain more than 600 yards.
 - ...first team to run 80 or more plays from scrimmage against BSU since Concordia-St. Paul ran 90 plays at BSU on Sept. 25, 2004.
- ▶ Bemidji State put up 458 yards of total offense...
 - ...second consecutive game and third time in four starts BSU has topped 400 yards
 - ...sixth time in the last seven games BSU has topped 400 yards
 - ...BSU falls to 31-8 since 1999 when recording at least 400 yards of offense

- ▶ Bemidji State punted on its first drive; BSU has now failed to score on its game-opening drive in each of its last nine games dating back to Oct. 9, 2004 vs Winona State. BSU's last game-opening score came at Southwest Minnesota State on Oct. 2, 2004.
- ▶ Concordia-St. Paul scored first on a 24-yard touchdown run by quarterback James McNear, to cap a 91-yard scoring drive...
 - ...it marked the third consecutive game BSU had allowed its opponent to score first.
 - ...it marked the longest scoring drive by a BSU opponent, in terms of yardage, since Minnesota State assembled a 95-yard drive on Aug. 28, 2004.
- ▶ Concordia-St. Paul scored two first-quarter touchdowns and led 14-0 at the end of the first quarter...
 - ...first time BSU allowed two first-quarter touchdowns since Nov. 15, 2003 vs Minn.-Crookston.
 - ...BSU's largest deficit at the end of the first quarter since also trailing 14-0 at Northern State on Sept. 25, 1999.
- ▶ McNear's second touchdown run and the ensuing extra point put the Golden Bears up by 15 points, 21-6...
 - ...BSU's largest deficit at any point in a game since trailing Winona State, 17-0, at 7:55 of the second quarter on Oct. 9, 2004.

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- ▶ **Josh Smith** intercepted McNear and returned it 29 yards for a touchdown in the third quarter...
 - ...First defensive touchdown scored by BSU this season.
 - ...First interception return for a touchdown by BSU since Oct. 9, 2004 (Kyle Rambow, 74 yards vs Winona State).
- ▶ Bemidji State's running game continued to struggle...
 - ...rushed for 23 yards on 14 carries in the first half, its fewest rushing yards at halftime since Sept. 20, 2003 at Concordia-St. Paul when it rushed for minus-nine yards on 11 carries.
 - ...finished the afternoon with 81 yards on 27 carries (3.0 yards/rush); second time in four games this year BSU has been held under 100 yards.
- ▶ Bemidji State finished with 48 points on the day...
 - ...most points scored in a game since a 58-14 win over Wis.-River Falls on Sept. 18, 2004.
 - ...24th 40-point scoring game for BSU under Jeff Tesch (since 1996) and the 53rd 40-point game in BSU history.
 - ...BSU falls to 22-2 under Jeff Tesch (since 1996) and 49-3-1 all-time when scoring 40 or more points.
 - ...set a school record for most points scored in a loss. The previous record was 46 points, set in a 47-46 loss to Southwest State on Nov. 17, 1991.
 - ...second game this season scoring 40 or more points (42 at Minor State, 9/3/2005)
 - ...BSU has gone over 40 points in 24 of 100 games under Tesch after doing so just 29 times in 574 games prior to his arrival.
- ▶ Bemidji State played its first overtime game since Oct. 26, 2002 vs Minn. State-Moorhead
 - ...BSU falls to 2-2 in overtime games
 - ...score tied at 48-48, with the 96 combined points marking the highest total through regulation time in BSU history.
 - ...previous record: 93 points, twice (L, 46-47 vs Southwest State, 11/17/1991; L, 43-50 at Chadron State, 9/11/2004).

Individual Notes

- ▶ **RB Alvaro Carvajal (Sr-1L; San Francisco, Calif.)**
 - Scored BSU second touchdown of the game on a one-yard run; it marked just the third rushing touchdown by a BSU running back in four games so far this season.
 - Second rushing touchdown this season; ninth of his career.
- ▶ **WR Chad Christianson (Jr.-2L; Hudson, Wis.)**
 - Recorded his 11th career touchdown reception to move into sole possession of ninth place on the BSU career list. He needs one touchdown to pull even with Brent Jeffers (1983-84) and Jon Jones (1984-87) in a three-way tie for seventh place.
- ▶ **WR Jonathan Hawks (Jr.-TR; Gainesville, Ga.)**
 - Recorded his 11th career touchdown reception to move into sole possession of ninth place on the BSU career list. He needs one touchdown to
- ▶ **WR George Kadlec (Fr.-HS; Lockport, Ill.)**
 - Scored on a two-point conversion pass from Nathan Sannes after Jonathan Hawks' touchdown in the third quarter...
 - ...first career points scored.
 - ...BSU's first successful two-point conversion since Sept. 10 vs Minnesota State (Dan Nagengast from Nathan Sannes).
- ▶ **S Josh Smith (Sr.-3L; Badger, Minn.)**
 - Intercepted CSP quarterback James McNear and returned the oskie 29 yards for a touchdown to give BSU its first lead in the third quarter...
 - ...first career interception; first career touchdown
- ▶ **PK Michael McDonald (So-1L; Muskegon, Mich.)**
 - Hit the upright on the PAT kick attempt following BSU's first touchdown...
 - ...McDonald's second PAT miss in four games this season; McDonald missed just two PATs in 55 attempts over 11 games last year.
- ▶ **RB Tyler Olson (So.-1L; Alvarado, Minn.)**
 - Scored on a 22-yard pass from Nathan Sannes in the third quarter, marking his second career touchdown reception.
 - 18th touchdown scored in his career (16 rush, 2 rec), moving him into a three-way tie for eighth place on the BSU career list with Marty Follis (18 rush; 1989-92) and Michael Nurdyke (5 rush, 13 rec; 2003-04).
- ▶ **WR Danny Rodgers (Jr.-1L; Plymouth, Minn.)**
 - First career touchdown reception in the third quarter.
- ▶ **QB Nathan Sannes (Sr.; Fertile, Minn.)**
 - Extended his own school record by throwing a touchdown pass in his 15th consecutive game. Sannes has thrown at least one touchdown pass in each of his 15 career starts.
 - Completed 22 of 40 passes for 377 yards, four touchdowns and one interception.
 - 377 yards passing...
 - ...second-highest single-game total of his career, trailing only a 500-yard day at Chadron State on Sept. 11, 2004
 - ...fifth-highest single-game passing total in school history.
 - Threw four touchdown passes...
 - ...third game this season with four or more touchdown passes, including his second in as many games.
 - ...fourth career game with four or more touchdown passes.
 - ...first BSU quarterback with three games of four or more touchdown passes in a season since Geoff Martinson also had three in 2001.
 - Now has 15 touchdown passes in four games to open the season and 39 touchdowns in his career.
 - ...15 touchdown passes this year already ranks eighth on BSU's single-season chart. He needs one to tie Tom Peterson (16, 1985) for seventh.
 - ...39 touchdowns moves him into sole possession of third place on BSU's career list. He needs seven to tie Jason Smith (46, 2000-03) for second.