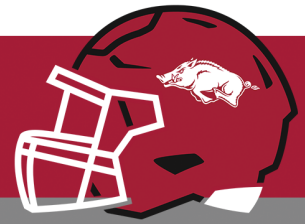




ARKANSAS

FOOTBALL



POSTGAME NOTES: WESTERN KENTUCKY 45, ARKANSAS 19

PREGAME NOTES

- The Razorbacks wore cardinal helmets, cardinal jerseys and white pants, a uniform from Nike that dates back to the 2006-07 seasons. Arkansas has worn it every home game this year.
- Western Kentucky won the coin toss and deferred to the second half. Arkansas received the ball to begin the game. Western Kentucky defended the north end zone.
- Arkansas' captains were seniors McTelvin Agim, De'Jon Harris, T.J. Smith and Mike Woods. Agim, Harris & Smith were named permanent captains by head coach Chad Morris and donned a "C" on their left shoulder. It is the second time this season Woods has been named a captain for a game (Ole Miss).
- Weather - 53 degrees, sunny, winds SW 12 mph.

GENERAL NOTES

- Saturday marked the first meeting between Arkansas and Western Kentucky.
- The Razorbacks are now 55-31-3 all-time against current Conference USA members.
- The announced attendance for the game: 42,985
- Today's starters: **Offense** - John Stephen Jones (QB), Myron Cunningham (LT), Austin Capps (LG), Ty Clary (C), Ricky Stromberg (RG), Dalton Wagner (RT), Rakeem Boyd (RB), Michael Woods (WR), Hayden Johnson (TE), Trey Knox (WR), Chase Harrell (TE). **Defense** - Mataio Soli (DE), McTelvin Agim (DT), T.J. Smith (DT), Gabe Richardson (DE), De'Jon Harris (MIKE), Bumper Pool (WILL), Greg Brooks Jr. (NICK), Montaric Brown (CB), Kamren Curl (SS), Joe Foucha (FS), LaDarrius Bishop (CB).
- De'Jon Harris made his 34th consecutive start, the most on the either side of the ball.
- McTelvin Agim started in his 37th game of his collegiate career, the most by a current Razorback.
- It was the first career start for John Stephen Jones.
- Five freshmen, four true, started today's game for the Razorbacks. A total of 24 freshmen/redshirt played against Western Kentucky.

OFFENSIVE NOTES

- Rakeem Boyd took his second carry of the day 76 yards for a touchdown with 8:02 left in the first quarter. It was his fourth TD run of 50+ yards this season and was a career-long, breaking his previous long of 74 at Kentucky on Oct. 12.
- It was the longest rushing play for the Razorbacks since T.J. Hammonds' 88-yard rushing TD against Coastal Carolina in 2017.
- Boyd now has eight (with rushing TD) plays of 20+ yards this year, seven rushing.
- It was Boyd's seventh rushing TD of the season and second in as many games.
- KJ Jefferson entered the game for John Stephen Jones with 5:55 remaining in the second quarter. Jones was 3-of-7 for 27 yards passing, with two carries for five yards in the first half.
- Jones returned for the second half for one drive after an injury to Jefferson.
- Arkansas gained 119 yards in the first half, 92 on the ground.
- Boyd broke his own career-long with an 86-yard touchdown score with 12:21 left in the fourth quarter. The fifth TD run of the year of 5+ yards.
- It was Boyd's third multi-touchdown game this season, also scoring twice against Colorado State and Kentucky.
- His 185 yards are a personal-best while wearing an Arkansas uniform and most by a Razorback since Rawleigh Williams' 205 against Mississippi State on Nov. 19, 2016.
- Boyd has rushed for 100+ yards in five games this season and eight as a Razorback, making him one of 16 to accomplish the feat eight times at Arkansas.
- His rush in the fourth quarter put him over 1,000 for the season, making him the first Arkansas running back to run for over 1,000 yards in a season since Rawleigh Williams in 2016.

DEFENSIVE NOTES

- Kamren Curl was the first player to reach double-digit tackles (11) against Western Kentucky. It marked the sixth-straight game an Arkansas defender has recorded 10 or more tackles in a game.

PLAYER NOTES

RB Rakeem Boyd

- Had eight rushes for a career-high 185 yards and two touchdowns. Both of his scores were 76 yards or more.
- Now has 1,005 yards rushing this season becoming the first Razorback running back to log a 1,000-yard season since Rawleigh Williams III (1,360) in 2016.
- Took his second rush of the game to the house for 76 yards in the first quarter, tying the game at 7-7. At the time, it was a career-long rush.
- Scored from 86-yards out early in the fourth quarter, setting a career-long rush for the fourth time this year.
- It was his eighth rushing touchdown of the season and fifth of 50+ yards.
- He's the first Hog running back to have two rushing touchdowns of 76+ yards in the same game since at least 1997.
- He's the first Arkansas RB since Felix Jones to have two touchdown runs of 76+ yards in the same season since 2006 (85-yard TD vs. SEMO; 76-yard TD vs. Wisconsin).
- The eight rushing touchdowns are the most by a Hog in one season since David Williams scored eight times in the 2017 season.

QB KJ Jefferson

- Entered the game in the second quarter and completed 6-of-15 passing for 60 yards. Also rushed a season high 16 times for 32 yards and one touchdown (2 yards).
- Both of his touchdowns this year have been rushing touchdowns.

SS Kamren Curl

- Finished the game as the team leader with 11 tackles (5 solo), including 1.5 tackles for loss. It was one tackle shy of a career high.
- The 1.5 tackles for loss was his second most in a game this year.
- Recorded his first full tackle for loss since the season opener against Portland St. (8/31/19). Now has 3.5 TFL this year, tying for sixth on the team.

LB De'Jon Harris

- Pulled in seven tackles (three solo) in the game, his seventh game with seven or more this season.
- The seven tackles were third-most on the team in the game.
- Now has 82 tackles this season, which still leads the team.

LB Bumper Pool

- Logged nine tackles (three solo), including 0.5 tackles for loss and one pass breakup.
- Has at least nine tackles in four of his last five games.
- Totaled at least 0.5 TFL in five of the last six weeks; 5.5 TFL in 2019 (3rd on team).

WR Treyton Burks

- Had five catches for 59 yards. The catch total was a career high and the yardage total was his third-highest of the season.
- Now has 24 catches this year, which is still among the top-three among all SEC freshmen.
- Has at least one catch in every game (9) he's played in.

LB Grant Morgan

- Finished the game with a season-high seven tackles (two solo), one shy of his career high.
- Was his most tackles in a game since recording eight against Missouri (11/24/17).

DB Jalen Catalon

- Saw extended playing time for the first time this season, totaling six tackles in the game (three solo) and also forced his first career fumble and first career pass break up.

CB LaDarrius Bishop

- Totaled two tackles in the game, both solo, and had his first career tackle for loss in the second quarter.