

BYU COUGAR BASKETBALL



NOTES AND QUOTES | BYU VS. BOISE STATE | SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2023

The following notes and quotes are from BYU women's basketball's 65-50 win over the Boise State Broncos at the Marriott Center on Saturday afternoon.

Series Results: 14-8 (BYU leads)

Attendance: 2,722

TEAM NOTES

THROUGH 10 GAMES

BYU moved to 8-2 on the season with the win over Boise State. The Cougars have now won eight of their first 10 games for the third time in the last 10 seasons.

COUGARS vs. BRONCOS

BYU has now won three-straight over Boise State and six of the last seven in the series. The Cougars average an 18-point margin of victory in those six wins over the Broncos.

COUGAR DEFENSE

BYU held Boise State to its second-lowest scoring output of the season, 17 points below its scoring average. The Broncos entered Saturday shooting 43 percent from the field and 42 percent from distance. The Cougars held them to 30 percent from the field and 17 percent from distance with just three made 3-pointers instead of their average eight makes per game.

LEADING INTO THE FOURTH

BYU is now 7-0 on the season when leading to start the fourth quarter. The Cougars average a 16-point advantage in those seven wins.

HOME COURT

With the win over Boise State, BYU starts the season 5-0 at home. That's the Cougars' third 5-0 start to their home slate in the last four seasons. BYU averages a 14-point halftime lead and 16-point margin of victory at home this season.

LINEUP CHANGE

Junior forward Emma Calvert made her first start of the season and 29th of her career on Saturday. Calvert made an impact with a career-high 14 rebounds to go along with three assists, three blocks and two steals.

KAILEY WOOLSTON

The freshman guard recorded her eighth career game scoring in double figures and eighth with five or more field goals. Woolston's 18 points and four made 3-pointers were both one away from tying a career high. If Woolston continues on her current trajectory of three made triples per game, she can finish the season sixth all-time at BYU for single-season 3-pointers.

GUNNING FOR A RECORD

Saturday marked Gustin's eighth double-double of the season and 64th for her career.

After Saturday's performance, Gustin is 138 rebounds away from surpassing 1980 National Player of the Year Tina Gunn for BYU's career rebounding record of 1,482.

With a current average of 15.5 rebounds per game, Gustin is on track to break the program rebounding record by the Cougars' Jan. 17 matchup at Oklahoma State.

Gustin has now scored eight or more first quarter-points in four consecutive games.

BYU CAREER HIGHS

Rebounds: Calvert (14) Blocks: Davenport (2 - tie)

Field Goals Made: Woolston (7 - tie)

Steals: Calvert (2-tie)

BYU SEASON HIGHS

Rebounds: Bubakar (5)



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Amber Whiting - BYU Head Coach Opening Statement

"All week long we stressed transition play and getting into our flow. That's what we did today. We did a good job of stringing together some kills and shared the ball really well today."

On Kailey Woolston bouncing back from an off game vs. Utah State...

"I have confidence in her. It was really good for her to knock down those shots today."

On the good and bad today...

"We have to cut down on turnovers. Sometime that's going to be the difference in a close, hard game. I was proud of our 19 assists on 24 made field goals. We did a good job in transition. We got some easy shots on the run. It creates a lot of openings when you're on the attack. I feel like we're finally figuring out who we are."

On Emma Calvert...

"Emma's had a hard week as far as school goes with a big project, so for her to come in and get a career-high in rebounds was huge."