

SOUTH CAROLINA (2-0) vs. SC STATE (1-1)

Saturday, SEPTEMBER 6, 2025 | Williams-Brice Stadium | Columbia, S.C.

>>> SC STATE HEAD COACH CHENNIS BERRY

Opening Statement:

“Man, I get the opportunity to sit here after my team played extremely well tonight. I was so proud of the South Carolina State Bulldog football team as they went out. They played for 60 minutes. We came a little short, obviously, but against a very good football team at the University of South Carolina.”

“I told our young men, they have nothing to hold their heads down for because they played really, really hard. All in all, I thought our team and coaching staff did a really good job putting plays together against a really good, top 10 in the country, the University of South Carolina team.”

Despite the loss, there were some positive takeaways tonight. What are you taking into next game (against B-CU)?

“At the end of the day, these young men saw how talented we can be as we go throughout this season. The best thing about this game is we got out of here healthy. I’m very proud of their efforts. They fought to the end, and they showed Bulldog tenacity through the entire game.”

Looking at film post game, what stands out about your team’s performance?

“What I want to look at more than anything is how there’s one or two plays in the ball game that can change a game. We have to eliminate those big plays that hurt us. All in all, it was those couple special teams blunders on the punt returns, that really changed the game.”

Talk about how your team (SC State) kept the offense (USC) out of the end zone for the first half.

“There was a lot of momentum that they (USC) got off that punt return, and kudos to South Carolina - they did a great job. Coach Beamer has done a great job of recruiting. He’s got a really talented football team. We got out there, and all in all, they made a few more plays than we made. Congratulations to University of South Carolina Gamecocks on their victory.”