



**Postgame Notes**  
**Cincinnati at Houston**  
**Nov. 11, 2023 | TDECU Stadium**

**Highlights**

- Cincinnati improved to 3-7 overall and 1-6 in the Big 12 in 2023.
- Cincinnati earned its first Big 12 win since joining the conference on July 1, 2023
- The Bearcats improved to 14-15 all-time against the Cougars and 6-9 in TDECU Stadium.
- Cincinnati is 662-606-50 all-time in its 136th football season in 2023 (since 1885, one of 10 oldest in FBS).
- The captains for today's game were fifth-year defensive end Jowon Briggs, redshirt sophomore Dontay Corleone, redshirt junior center Gavin Gerhardt and sixth-year quarterback Emory Jones.

**Availability Report**

- Notable players out for Cincinnati were CB Sammy Anderson (out for season)

**Offense Notes**

- Sixth-year senior Trevor Radosevich (No. 58) donned No. 87 and played as a sixth offensive lineman/tight end for several plays.
- Cincinnati began the game with an 11-play 75-yard drive that was capped off by running back Ryan Montgomery hauling in a seven-yard touchdown from Emory Jones.
  - The 11-play touchdown drive was the seventh 10+ play touchdown drive Cincinnati has recorded this season.
  - Montgomery scored his first receiving touchdown of the year (second overall). It was also his second career receiving touchdown and his first since 2021.
- Running back Corey Kiner broke free for a 62-yard run, the second-longest of his career, in the second quarter. He finished that same drive by punching in a 1-yard rushing touchdown, his fourth of the season and the 11th of his career.
- Kiner ran in his second touchdown of the game on a five-yard rush in the fourth quarter. It marked his first career multi-touchdown game.
  - Kiner ran for 129 yards on the ground on a career-high 23 carries and added two touchdowns.
  - His 129-yard performance was his sixth career 100-yard rushing game. It is the fifth time this season, he rushed for over 100 yards. He is the first running back with four 100-yard rushing games in a season since Jerome Ford had five in 2021.
  - His five 100-yard rushing games ranks 12th in school history for most 100-yard rushing games in a single season.

- ❑ Quarterback Emory Jones went 13-16 through the air and added one touchdown in the game.
- ❑ Wide receiver Braden Smith led the UC receiving core tallying five catches for 69 yards
- ❑ Quarterback Brady Lichtenberg entered the game on Cincinnati's third drive of the game (Played two drives)
- ❑ Tight end Michael McCalmont recorded his first career reception (a six-yard pass from Lichtenberg).
  - He would enter back into the game in the third quarter for one drive.

### **Defense Notes**

- Cincinnati held Houston to 32 passing yards in the first half – the third-fewest in the FBS this season.
- Freshman cornerback Rayquan Adkins recorded his first career start. He is the first true freshman to start at cornerback since Sauce Gardner did 2019.
- Safety DJ Taylor recorded his first start of the season.
- Defensive tackle Dontay Corleone tied his single-season career high (3) after bringing down Houston's Donovan Smith on their first drive.
- Deshaun Pace recorded UC's first interception of the game in the second quarter. It marked his first interception of the season and the sixth of his career.
  - Pace would end the game with a team-high five tackles and one TFL and one interception.
- On the first play of the second half, linebacker Dorian Jones picked off Smith for his first career interception.
- Defensive back Ken Wills recorded UC's third interception of the game on Houston's final drive of the game.

### **Special Team Notes**

- ❑ Kicker Carter Brown converted on his lone field goal attempt, a 31-yard field goal in the third quarter he is now 14-17 on FGA's this season.
- ❑ Punter Mason Fletcher downed a 45-yard punt at the Houston 17 on his first punt of the game.
- ❑ He downed a crucial 36-yard punt at the Houston 5 late in the fourth that would be UC's third interception of the game.
  - Fletcher averaged 43 yards on three punts, including two inside the 20. He has put 19 of his 33 punts inside the 20 in 2023.