

2025 Phillips 66 Big 12 Baseball Championship CINCINNATI POSTGAME QUOTES - Game 2 Globe Life Field: May 21, 2025

No. 8 Cincinnati 6, No. 9 Texas Tech 5

Cincinnati Head Coach - Jordan Bischel

Opening Statement...

"Just really proud of how our guys competed. Obviously, you get to the postseason, everybody's good, everybody's dying to get a win. We knew it was gonna be difficult. I cannot express enough how much respect I've got for Coach Tadlock, Texas Tech, and what they've done, incredible program. So to get a win over them in a single-elimination tournament is big for us. Excited these guys get to play another game tomorrow. That's the biggest thing. It's a great group of kids, and now they get to play another game together."

On making a strong case for the tournament

"I think more than trying to get through to a committee was I trust these guys to go out and compete with some of the better teams out there, and I think they can get it done. And I think we've showed that all year."

Derrick Pitts, Fr., OF

On the Big League Ballpark Experience...

"It's definitely an amazing experience. As a freshman, I've never really experienced playing in a ballpark like this before, so just being able to do that play. Actually, starting the game is an amazing opportunity. I just take advantage of it and do everything I can to just keep it going and stack wins with the team."

On the energy and excitement the team has...

"I love playing the game, playing it hard, playing it loud. Energy, enthusiasm, and excitement are something we live by, and I think that it plays a part in getting in our opponents' heads and really going out there and laying it all on the field."

Nathan Taylor, So., RHP

On his performance today...

"Yeah, it's a big priority for me, at least, trying to get the ball moved, trusting in my defense because I know they are going to make their plays, and make sure they try not to get behind the counts. The third inning kinda got away from me a little bit, I was falling out of my delivery, but I'm just trying to get the ball moved, because I know I have a good defense behind me."

On Kerrington [Cross] winning the Big 12 POY...

"He's a leader for sure. He's the guy that brings the team together when you have a bad game, and he's just the leader getting on everyone when you're not doing well and picking you up."