

Postgame Notes Cincinnati vs. Temple Nov. 19, 2022 | Lincoln Financial Field

Team Highlights

- Head coach Luke Fickell is now 57-17 in his sixth season at Cincinnati.
- Cincinnati improved to 9-2, 6-1 in the AAC, giving the Bearcats at least nine wins in five consecutive seasons a feat that has never been accomplished in the 135-history of Cincinnati football.
 - o UC won 11 games in 2018, 11 in 2019, nine in 2020, 13 in 2021 and nine in 2022.
- The Bearcats are now 659-597-50 in their 135th season of college football.
- Cincinnati is now 31-4 since the start of the 2020 season and 53-9 since the start of 2018, both top-five marks nationally.
- Cincinnati won its third straight game against Temple, imrproving to 10-13-1 in the all-time series. It marked the Bearcats' first road win over the Owls since a 14-6 victory on November 14, 2014.
- Cincinnati won the coin toss and elected to defer to the second half.
- Cincinnati is 45-2 when leading at the half under Fickell, including 8-0 this season.
 - o Cincinnati is 31-0 when leading after the first quarter under Luke Fickell.

Offensive Notes

- Senior wide receiver Tre Tucker recorded a 42-yard touchdown reception in the first quarter. He has now recorded three touchdowns this season, eight in his career.
 - o It was the Bearcats' 11th touchdown of 40-plus yards, and fourth straight after all three touchdowns were for over 40 yards against East Carolina.
- Senior quarterback Ben Bryant finished 9-of-18 for 130 yards and one touchdown. He moved into ninth in program history with 21 touchdown passes in a single season.
 - He moved into 10th in program history in passing yards with 2,731 in a single-season.
- Redshirt sophomore Evan Prater entered the game at quarterback for the Bearcats with 5:59
 remaining in the second quarter. He finished 12-of-17 for 127 yards and logged several dazzling
 runs.
 - He had six straight completions in the third quarter.
- Redshirt sophomore tight end Payten Singletary made his first start of the season, second of his career, as the Bearcats opened the game in a two tight-end set.
- Redshirt senior tight end Josh Whyle surpassed 1,000 career receving yards, joining Brent Celek (2003-06) and Josiah Deguara (2015-19) as the only Beacat tight ends to do so. He finished with a season-high 70 receiving yards on seven catches.
 - He is one of four players with 1,000 career receiving yards on the current roster (Tyler Scott, Tre Tucker and Nick Mardner).

• Senior Ryan Montgomery notched his third rushing touchdown of the season, seventh of his career, with a 14-yard touchdown rush up the middle in the second quarter. He finished with a career-best 14 carries for a season-high 58 rushing yards.

Defensive Notes

- The Bearcats held Temple to just 106 yards and six first downs in the first half, while forcing five punts before the break.
- The Blackcats defense held its opponent to a season-low three points and forced four turnovers. It marked the fewest points allowed since Oct. 8, 2021 when the Bearcats defeated Temple, 52-3, in Cincinnati.
- Redshirt freshman Armorion Smith made his first career start at safety and tied his season-high four tackles.
- Redshirt freshman Dontay Corleone forced his second fumble of the season in the first quarter.
- Senior Jacob Dingle had his first career interception in the second quarter.
- Sophomore Bryon Threats notched his second career interception with 5:09 remaining in the thid quarter.
- Junior linebacker Jaheim Thomas tallied six tackles and two TFLs.

Special Team Notes

- Sophomore punter Mason Fletcher had two of his five attempts downed inside the 20-yard line, extending his total to 27 punts downed inside the 20.
 - His first attempt of the game was a 48-yarder downed at the 10 in the first quarter, extending his total to 12 punts downed inside the 10.
- Senior kicker Ryan Coe converted on all three of his attempts on the night, a 28-yarder in the second quarter, a 37-yarder in the third and a 24-yarder in the fourth.
 - He has made 41 consecutive extra points good for seventh in program history and nine consecutive field goals which is the sixth-longest streak in program history.
 - He is 18-for-22 on field goals this season. His career field goal percentage of .818 sits first in program history (min. 20 attempts).