



# CINCINNATI BEARCATS

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## POSTGAME NOTES

**CINCINNATI 79, NO. 2 IOWA STATE 70**

**JAN. 17, 2026**

**CINCINNATI, OHIO | FIFTH THIRD ARENA**

**ATTENDANCE: 10,551**

### Team and Series Records

- With the win, Cincinnati improves to 10-8 on the year and 2-3 in Big 12 play, while Iowa State drops to 16-2, 3-2 in conference play.
- The game was the 10th in the all-time series between the two schools, with Cincinnati evening the series at 5-5.

### Team Notes

- The win was the highest ranked win for the Bearcats since a 71-68 victory over No. 2 Syracuse in the Big East Tournament March 9, 2012.
- Cincinnati improved to 35-36 against ranked teams in Fifth Third Arena.
- The Bearcats held a 20-10 advantage in points off turnovers, a 13-2 lead in fast-break points and a 20-5 edge in points off the bench.
- The Cyclones came into the game ranked second in the Big 12 and 14th nationally in assist-to-turnover ratio. The Bearcats limited them to 11 assists while forcing 12 turnovers.

### Player Notes

#### *Jalen Celestine*

- Celestine poured in 12 points for his 33rd-career double-figure scoring game and fourth in a Bearcat uniform this season.
- Celestine was plus-14 in 26 minutes off the bench.
- Celestine was 4-of-10 from deep off the bench. He's connected on multiple threes in four of his last six contests.

#### *Sencire Harris*

- Harris scored 12 points for his fourth double-figure scoring game of the season and ninth of his career.

#### *Jizzle James*

- James notched his fifth double-figure scoring game of the season and 46th of his career with 15 points.

*Baba Miller*

- McKinley was plus-17 in 18 minutes off the bench.

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- Miller pulled down 12 boards for his 10 double-figure rebounding game of the season and 17th of his career.

*Day Day Thomas*

- Thomas scored 19 points for his 10th double-figure scoring game of the season and 39th of his career.
- Thomas was a game-high plus-20 in 26 minutes.

**Cincinnati Head Coach Wes Miller**

- Cincinnati head coach Wes Miller improved his career record to 277-202 and 92-67 while at the helm of the Bearcats.

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