Iowa State vs. Iowa Iowa Corn Cy-Hawk Series Sept. 10, 2022 Kinnick Stadium Iowa Player Quotes

QB Spencer Petras

Confidence for the team moving forward...

"I think the biggest thing is going to work every day and working to improve because I still feel this is not representative of our offense. I'm sure that is not what people want to hear because that's what we have shown the last two weeks, but the process is kind of a long and winding road. I still have a lot of high hopes for our unit and for our team. This doesn't change any of our goals. The only thing we can't be is undefeated. The rest of our goals are still out in front of us. Sound like a broken record but the key is just improving."

On the issue with the offense...

"Without watching the film, off the top of my head I can think of three or four plays that are on me. I'll have to look at the tape. It's hard to a quick answer. Just consistent execution."

DL Lukas Van Ness

On the blocked punts ...

"Coach Woods dialed that up all week. We noticed that Iowa State had its two guys in a shield to protect the punter, they were offset off the line a little so they had me line up and it gave me a straight shot to run at the shield and block a couple punts. I was able to get there a couple of times, but it wasn't enough."

On the feeling in the locker room...

"We win as a team, we lose as a team. We played our hearts out there today. We obviously came out on the losing side, we are definitely really disappointed. It's a heartbreaker, it hurts a lot. We have to regroup, come in tomorrow, watch some film, and continue to be a work in progress to get ready for this upcoming week."

How does the team move on ...

"We don't ever point fingers in our building. We win together, we lose together. Everything that happens out there is not a result of one specific person... that's just the nature of the game. You win some, you lose some... we'll be coming in on Sunday to watch film and look at where we can improve and get better. Then we will take it from there."

DB Cooper DeJean

On sticking together as a team...

"We win as a team, we lose as a team. It's a team sport. As a defense, we are going to go out there every time no matter when our number is called and we're just going to keep trying to do our job."

On his interception...

"I was just trying to do my job. Playing to my zone and going up to the ball."

Evaluating the defense's performance...

"I think there were some good plays. There were some plays we need to cleanup, but that's what the film is for. Tomorrow, we will watch it. We will learn from the mistakes we made. Everybody played hard. We just didn't do enough to get the win."

On momentum shifts ...

"I think it kind of went back and forth with everything that happened in the game. That's how football is. Momentum shifts during the game. Overall, we didn't do enough. We are going to get better as a whole team and come back and be ready for next week."

On gaining experience through two games ...

"It has been a big learning experience for me just getting out there and understanding the speed of the game and what all goes in different situations, and things like that. It has been a little bit of a change, but I am starting to get used to it."

TE Sam LaPorta

On how the game went ...

"It's really frustrating, especially when we've put in the work since January. We know that we're capable and we know that we put in all this work for the game and we didn't get the win."

On how the offense preformed in the game...

"The synergy of all 11 guys working together and we missed a piece here and there and that's football at the end of the day. It's a very imperfect game and if one guy on offense doesn't execute his job in any given play its usually a bad play."

On the lack of receivers the team has...

"I only see what I see on any particular play out there. But with hindsight I can go back and look exactly how I'm getting played and if I'm getting doubled or getting man to man and what I can do out there. You guys can make an excuse for a lack of receivers, but we are not going to make that excuse."

DB Quinn Schulte

On Iowa State executing on third downs...

"It's just a lack of execution on our part out there on third downs and trying to get off the field. They had too many chunk plays that we gave up."

On the team's effort out there ...

"We are all trying to go out there and do our best that we can, unfortunately on some drives I didn't execute."

On Iowa State's QB...

"He is a very talented quarterback. Obviously, he can really sling it and then he was able to get down and run so you have to keep a good eye on that which can cause problems."

On losing the Cy-Hawk trophy...

"It's not something you ever want to think about, but we are going to have to forget it and move past it. We are going to look over the tape and prepare to win next week."