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San Diego State Postgame Notes vs. (6) No. 21/19 Houston NCAA First Round – March 15, 2018

Final Score: (6) [21/19] Houston 67, (11) [rv/rv] San Diego State 65

Records: San Diego State: 22-11; Houston: 27-7

NCAA Tournament Notes

- SDSU has its streak of consecutive trips it has participated in of advancing to NCAA Round of 32 snapped at three (had made Round of 32 in 2013, 2014 and 2015).
- San Diego State drops to 6-12 all-time in the NCAA tournament, but 6-6 in its last 12 appearances.
- The Aztecs drop to 4-3 since 2011 in the West Region of the NCAA tournament.

Team Notes

- The Aztecs saw their nine-game winning streak snapped.
- San Diego State rallied from a 13-point deficit (47-34 with 15:29 remaining) to tie the game (62-62 with 1:06 remaining).
- SDSU had its streak of at least one win in an NCAA-sponsored event snapped at four tournaments (2013 NCAA, 2014 NCAA, 2015 NCAA, 2016 NIT).
- The Aztecs drop to 12-9 in postseason play since 2009.
- SDSU has its seven-game win streak snapped when outrebounding its opponent (17-6 this year).
- San Diego State outscored Houston, 28-18, in the paint and held an 11-4 advantage in the paint.
- The Aztecs' bench outscored Houston's bench, 12-5.
- The game featured 11 lead changes and three ties.

Series Notes

- San Diego State fell to 2-1 all-time against Houston.

Player Notes

Jalen McDaniels – 18 points, 9 rebounds, 1 blocked shot, 1 assist

Reached double-figures in scoring for the 18th time this season (18th career)... Led the team in scoring for the ninth time this season (ninth career)... His 18 points were one off a career high... Had 13 of his 18 points in the second half... His nine made free-throws were also one off a career best... Made his fourth 3-pointer of the season (and career)... San Diego State outscored Houston by eight points when he was on the floor (28 minutes), the highest mark on the team.

Trey Kell – 12 points, 8 rebounds, 4 assists

Scored in double figures for the 15th time of the season (73rd career)... SDSU dropped to 11-4 this year when he reaches double-figures and 54-19 over his career when reaching double figures... Had five straight double-digit scoring games for the first time since a six-game stretch from Nov. 14-26... Finished his career with 1,403 points, passing Winston Shepard for the sixth most in school history (fifth most in SDSU's DI history)... Had four assists and just two turnovers, and over the team's final 10 games (team was 9-1) he had 54 assists and just 13 turnovers in 313 minutes.

Malik Pope – 11 points, 11 rebounds, 3 blocked shots, 2 assists

Recorded his third double-double of the season and 10th of his career... Scored in double figures for the 24th time this season (53rd career) and ninth straight game he has seen action in (longest streak of his career)... SDSU dropped to 36-17 over his career when reaching double figures in scoring... Finished with 1,111 points for his career, which ranks 22nd in school history and 18th in SDSU's DI history... Led the team in rebounding for the 12th time this year (34th of career)... Finished his career with 636 rebounds, the 14th most in school history (11th in SDSU's DI history)... His three blocked shots were one off a career high... Became the first Aztec since at least the 1996-97 season to record at least 11 points, 11 rebounds and three blocked shots in a NCAA tournament game.

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