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### San Diego State Postgame Notes at Colorado State

Moby Arena | Fort Collins, Colo.

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## FINAL EDITION: San Diego State 79, Colorado State 57

**Next Game:** Sunday, Dec. 8 | vs. San José State, noon PT | San Diego, Calif. | TV/Stream: FS San Diego | Radio: 101.5 KGB & XTRA 1360

**Next Media Availability:** Friday, Dec. 6 | details will be sent to the media over the weekend

### Big Notes

- This is San Diego State's largest margin of victory in Fort Collins in the 40 all-time series meetings at Colorado State.
- San Diego State improves to 9-0, marking just the second 9-0 start in the history of the program (99 seasons). Last season the Aztecs were 5-4 after nine games.
- The Aztec nine-game win streak is tied for the seventh longest in school history and matches the longest in the Brian Dutcher era.
- San Diego State wins its conference opening game for the first time in four seasons (since 2015-16 campaign).
- Junior forward **Matt Mitchell** (18 points, 8 rebounds) scored in double figures for the third straight game (first time since the opening three games of last season). He tied as a season-high for points and had a season-best for rebounds.
- Senior guard **Malachi Flynn** led the Aztecs in scoring for the sixth time this season (23 points, 7 assists, 6 rebounds).
- **Brian Dutcher** improves to 4-0 lifetime against Colorado State and is 3-0 against the Rams in Moby Arena.
- The Aztecs improve to 14-26 all-time at Colorado State but 11-4 in its last 15 visits to the venue.
- Since Feb. 26, 2005, San Diego State is 11-4 at Moby Arena while the rest of the country is a combined 67-150 (30.9 percent).
- Dutcher led Aztecs teams have handed Colorado State three of their last 19 home defeats.
- The last two times Colorado State has lost by double-digits at home, San Diego State has been the opponent.
- SDSU improves to 5-0 in road/neutral games this season, including 3-0 in true road contests. Last season, the Aztecs were 6-10 away from home.
- San Diego State improves to 8-0 this season and has won 15 straight games when leading at intermission.
- Regardless of any other outcome tonight, San Diego State's five road/neutral wins this season are tied for the national lead.
- In seven of San Diego State's nine victories, the Aztecs did not trail in the second half.
- San Diego State outrebounded Colorado State, 40-27. The Aztecs are 7-0 this season when owning an edge on the glass.
- The Aztecs committed just seven turnovers and were a +1 in TO Margin. The Aztecs are 34-6 in the Dutcher era when owning an advantage in the category.
- The Aztecs held CSU to 38.5 percent from the field and won for the 14<sup>th</sup> straight time when holding the opposition to 40 percent or less from the floor. SDSU is 36-3 under Dutcher when owning an advantage.
- San Diego State has won 29 straight contests when holding the opposition to less than 60 points.
- The Aztecs are 66-34 in its last 100 road games against unranked teams.
- San Diego State is 25-9 in its last 34 games played on Wednesdays.

## **Individual Players**

### **Matt Mitchell – season-high tying 18 points, team-high 8 rebounds,**

Reached double figures for three consecutive times for the first time since the first three games of the 2018-19 campaign... The junior has four double-digit scoring games this season and 41 times in his career... Matched a season-high with 18 points and posted a season-high and team-high eight rebounds... This was the first time Mitchell led the Aztecs in rebounding this season but the seventh time he has done it in his career... In his last three games he has 45 points (15.0 ppg), 15 rebounds (5.0 rpg) and has connected on 16-of-26 field goal attempts (61.5 percent).

### **Malachi Flynn – game-high 23 points, game-high 7 assists, 6 rebounds, plus/minus +27**

Posted his ninth straight double-digit game and has 47 games in his career... It was his third 20-point game of the season and the 15<sup>th</sup> of his career... He led the Aztecs in scoring for the sixth time this season... The six rebounds are a season-high for Flynn.

### **Adam Seiko – 8 points, 2-4 3FGs, season-high 3 rebounds, plus/minus +18**

Came off the bench to score eight points (one off his season high) and pull down a season-best three rebounds in 15 minutes of action... The sophomore scored in his fourth consecutive game (22 points) and is 6-of-10 from three-point range (60.0 percent) in his last four games... He committed just his second turnover of the season tonight and now has two turnovers in 73 minutes this season.

## **Game Flow**

- San Diego State made 15-of-25 field goal attempts in the first half. The 60.0 percent mark from the field was the Aztecs highest field goal percentage in any half this season (previous: vs. Grand Canyon, 59.4 percent (2<sup>nd</sup>) on Nov. 13, 2019.
- San Diego State ended the game on a 19-2 run.
- Colorado State ended the game connecting on just one of its final 12 shots from the floor.
- The Aztecs made five straight field goal attempts on two occasions in the first half.
- San Diego State scored seven straight points to take a 13-7 lead with 13:30 to play in the first half.
- The Aztecs bench enjoyed a 31-10 scoring advantage.
- The San Diego State bench combined to play 63 minutes and contributed 31 points, 11 rebounds and four assists.

## **Entering Today**

- Entering the day, San Diego State was one of 18 unbeaten teams in the nation and the only one from either the Pacific Time Zone or the Mountain West Conference.
- San Diego State was 2<sup>nd</sup> in strength of record.
- San Diego State was 11<sup>th</sup> in the Sagarin Ratings.
- San Diego State was 22<sup>nd</sup> in BPI.
- San Diego State was 35<sup>th</sup> in KenPom.