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### San Diego State vs. Iowa Postgame Quotes Orleans Arena | Las Vegas, Nevada November 29, 2019

#### San Diego State Head Coach Brian Dutcher

**On what he takes away from the tournament about the team:**

"We have a grit about us. When we got down, we were able to fight back. Obviously, it's easier to play with a lead, but we were down by as many as 16 and found a way to hang in there and came out with a hard-fought win."

**On what he talked about at halftime:**

"We talked about having 12 turnovers; that is not in our nature, especially against a zone. I thought we were careless against the press. We used two timeouts in the first half to try to get things corrected. We got to the locker room and just told them to show us what we see in practice. We are a good team and we are capable of playing much better. We did that in the second half."

**On if these two wins are a statement that SDSU should be getting more respect nationally:**

"San Diego State has had a great program, starting from when Steve Fisher took it over. We have a lot of pride in the program and were glad the nation got to see Aztec basketball first-hand."

#### Junior guard Malachi Flynn

**On what his mindset was coming into the second half after not scoring in the first:**

"I had two fouls in the first half and had to sit a lot. I just wanted to come out in the second half and be aggressive. We were down nine going into the half and I just wanted to be as aggressive as I could."

**On what it means to get two big "resume builder" wins in the tournament:**

"It's huge. We knew the non-conference season was going to be important to us to potentially get an at-large bid if we need it."

**On what it's like to play with a center like Yanni Wetzel, who you can throw it in to and know you will get a good look:**

"We have a lot of options on this team and one of them is Yanni. We can throw it in to him and if we space it out and they don't double, it is usually a bucket. So, it's nice to have a lot of options on our team."

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