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San Diego State vs. UNLV Postgame Notes Thomas & Mack Center | Las Vegas, Nev. March 5, 2024

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Next Game: Friday, March 8 | 7 p.m. PT | vs. Boise State | Steve Fisher Court at Viejas Arena | San Diego, Calif. | TV: FS1 | Radio: San

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### **Big Notes**

- San Diego State is now to 13-2 in its last 15 games against UNLV at Thomas & Mack Center while the rest of the nation is 52-110 in the facility during that time frame.
- San Diego State's 18 wins at Thomas & Mack against UNLV since the start of the 2008-09 season, are the
  most by any Division I road team against a single opponent. Saint Mary's, at Loyola Marymount, and
  Gonzaga, at Pepperdine, rank second with 15 wins.
- San Diego State's 45 wins at Thomas & Mack Center, since the start of the 2008-09 campaign (27 neutral and 18 road wins) are the most by an y team in team in any building in which it has not played at least one home game. Villanova is second with 36 victories at Madison Square Garden.
- San Diego State loses its first non-Quad 1 game of the season.
- F Jaedon LeDee records his 29th double digit scoring game of the season and now has 48 career double-figure scoring games, 40 of which have come in the 68 games he has played as an Aztec.
- San Diego State loses for just the seventh time in 54 games under Brian Dutcher when it makes 10 or more 3-pointers.

#### **Team Notes**

- San Diego State stands at 100-101 (.496) all-time in Mountain West road games, which is the best record
  and win percentage among any member in the league.
- The Aztecs are now 7-4 this season, 31-13 under Brian Dutcher, and 63-20 in their last 83 games which have been contested on a Tuesday.

- As a ranked team, San Diego State is 10-4 against UNLV, including a 5-2 mark at Thomas & Mack.
- SDSU is now 22-23 overall in Las Vegas against the Runnin Rebels, including 21-17 at Thomas & Mack.
- Head coach Brian Dutcher's career record is 173-55 (.759), which is the sixth-best active winning percentage in the nation since he took the helm of the Aztecs program prior to the 2017-18 season.
- San Diego State stands at 2-8 this season, and 54-77 since the start of the 2010-11 season when trailing going into the half.
- SDSU's bench outscores its opponent's bench for the 21st time in the last 22 games after achieving it in just three of its first eight contests.
- SDSU is 118-29 (.803) under Brian Dutcher and 244-54 (.819) in its last 298 games when outscoring the opponent's bench.
- Under Brian Dutcher, the Aztecs are 25-9 (.735) in games in March and as a program has won 70 of its last 94 (70-24) games in the third month of the year.
- As a program, SDSU is now 260-145 (.642) all-time in Mountain West games.
- The Aztecs are 16-4 this season, 126-16 (.887) under Brian Dutcher and 267-42 (.864) in its last 309 games in which they outrebound their opponent.
- SDSU matches its season-high with 20 offensive rebounds (also: vs. Nevada, 1-17-24).
- San Diego State's 58 points are a season low and its 18 made field goals matches the least made in a game this year (also: vs. UC Irvine, 12-9-23).
- The Aztecs fail to sweep the regular-season series against UNLV for just the third time in the last 10 years in which the teams have played a home-and-home series.
- SDSU outscores UNLV in the following situations:
  - 20-9 off the bench
  - 6-4 in fast-break chances
  - 16-11 in second-chance opportunities
  - 16-8 off turnovers

#### **Series Notes**

- San Diego State stands at 43-38 against UNLV and has won six of its last seven against the Runnin Rebels, regardless of location.
- SDSU sees its 6-game win streak against UNLV its fifth longest active streak against a Mountain West opponent snapped.
- Head coach Brian Dutcher is now 11-3 against UNLV, including 6-2 at Thomas & Mack Center.
- San Diego State is now 22-23 all-time against UNLV in Mountain West road games.
- The Aztecs have won 13 of the last 15 (13-2) in the series at Thomas & Mack.

#### **Game Flow**

- San Diego State won the tip (Jaedon LeDee to Lamont Butler).
- UNLV's Dedan Thomas scored the first basket of the game, a 3-pointer at 17:25.
- Jeadon LeDee scored the Aztecs first points on a pair of free throws with 15:03 to play in the first half.
- Reese Waters scored the first bucket of the game for San Diego State, after a 0-13 start from the field, on a 3-pointer at 12:08.

- San Diego State trailed 27-10 with 8:13 to play in the first half, but San Diego State went on a 15-3 run over the next 4:02, to pull the game back to a 30-25 deficit.
- SDSU trailed 40-30 with 14:34 to play in the game and used an 11-2 run over 2:45 to close the game to one point, 42-41.
- San Diego State trailed 60-58 with 18 seconds to play, but Micah Parrish's potential go-ahead 3-pointer was blocked,
- The Aztecs assisted on 14 of their 28 made field goals.
- Scores at each media timeout:

First Half, 15:21: UNLV 6, San Diego State 0 (-6)

First Half, 11:44: UNLV 15, San Diego State5 (-10)

First Half, 7:58: UNLV 27, San Diego State 10 (-17)

First Half, 3:53: UNLV 30, San Diego State 25 (-5)

Halftime: UNLV 33, San Diego State 28 (-5)

Second Half, 15:30: UNLV 35, San Diego State 30 (-5)

Second Half, 11:49: UNLV 42, San Diego State 41 (-1)

Second Half, 8:45: UNLV 44, San Diego State 41 (-3)

Second Half, 7:35: UNLV 47, San Diego State 41 (-6)

Second Half, 3:33: UNLV 56, San Diego State 49 (-7)

Final: UNLV 62, San Diego State 58 (-4)

### **Player Notes**

## Elijah Saunders — 14 points, 5-10 FG, 4-9 3FG, 6 rebounds, 2 blocks, 1 steal

Had his second straight double-digit scoring game, sixth of the season and sixth of his career... Four 3-pointers are a career-high... Led the team in scoring for the first time in his career.

# Jaedon LeDee – 12 points, 7 rebounds (6 offensive)

Scored in double figures for the 29th time this season in 29 appearances... Now has 48 career double-figure scoring games, 40 of which have come in the 68 games he has played as an Aztec... 12 points are a season low and snaps a six-game stretch where he was averaging 23.7 points and 7.3 rebounds...Led the team in rebounds for the 22<sup>nd</sup> time this season.

# Micah Parrish - 11 points, 5 rebounds, 2 assists, 1 steal

Attained double figure scoring for the 15th time this season and 57th of his career.

## Darrion Trammell – 5 points, 7 assists, 4 steals

Has 15 assists in the last two games and 21 in his last three... Led the team in assists for the 13th time this season and 80th time of his career... Four steals are a season high.

## **Entering Today**

- San Diego State was one of five teams in the nation without a Quad 2, 3 or 4 loss.
- San Diego State was 19th in NET.

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   San Diego State was 19<sup>th</sup> in KPI.
- San Diego State was 24th in T-Rank.
   San Diego State was 32nd in BPI.