



## SAN DIEGO STATE AZTECS MEDIA RELATIONS

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### Postgame Notes: vs. Saint Mary's | San Luis Obispo, Calif. | Tuesday, Dec. 22, 2020

## FINAL EDITION: San Diego State 74, Saint Mary's 49

**Records:** San Diego State 6-1; Saint Mary's 8-2

**Next Game:** Sat., Jan. 2 | at UNLV, TBA | Thomas & Mack Center | TV/Stream: CBS | Radio: 101.5 KGB & XTRA 1360

**Next Media Availability:** TBD

### Big Notes

- **Nathan Mensah** posts his fifth career double-double (second in three games) with a career-high 18 points, 13 rebounds and a career-vest six blocked shots. **This is the first time in his career that he has led San Diego State in scoring. He is the only Aztec player in at least 25 seasons to produce an 18-13-6 stat line in those three categories.**
- **Terrell Gomez** matched his Aztec high with 13 points on 5-of-6 shooting from the floor and 3-of-4 from three-point range.
- San Diego State wins its 16<sup>th</sup> straight regular-season road/neutral game. That is the longest active streak in the nation. During that stretch, the Aztecs have wins over Iowa, Creighton, Arizona State and Saint Mary's.
- San Diego State has won 11 straight games against teams from California.
- San Diego State has now gone 43 games without suffering consecutive losses. That is the fourth longest streak in the nation.
- San Diego State snaps Saint Mary's eight-game winning streak. That was tied for the eighth-longest active streak in the nation entering the day.
- San Diego State's 6-1 record is even more impressive when considering the Aztecs' five Division I opponents have a combined record of 31-12 (72.1 percent), excluding their 1-5 record against the Aztecs.
- San Diego State evens the all-time Series with Saint Mary's, 6-6.
- San Diego State improves to 7-2 against West Coast Conference teams in the Brian Dutcher era.
- Brian Dutcher coached teams are 13-6 in neutral court teams, that includes a 2-2 mark against AP Top 25 teams.

### Game Trends

- San Diego State is 70-9 in the Dutcher era when leading at the half.
- San Diego State has won 39 straight games when owning a better field goal percentage than its opponent.
- San Diego State led wire-to-wire in picking up its sixth win of the season. It is the first time this season the Aztecs have done that.
- San Diego State shot a season-high 55.8 percent from the field (after shooting a season low 36.8 percent against Brigham Young last Friday). The Aztecs are 31-1 under Brian Dutcher with 19 straight wins when shooting 50 percent or better from the field.
- The Aztecs held Saint Mary's to 31.0 percent from the field. It was their lowest field goal percentage since a 29.0 percent effort on Nov. 19, 2018. The Aztecs have won 30 straight games when holding the opposition to 40 percent or less.
- San Diego State enjoyed first half scoring runs of 11-0 and 7-0. Together, that was an 18-2 run for the Aztecs. In the second half, the Aztecs put together another 11-0 run.
- The 60.9 percent first-half field goal percentage is the highest for the Aztecs in any half this season.

## Player Notes

### **Nathan Mensah – career-high, game-high 18 points, 13 rebounds, career-high 6 blocks, 8-9 FGs**

Led San Diego State in scoring for the first time in his career... Scored a career-high 18 points and swatted a career-best six blocked shots en route to his fifth career double-double... Has two double-doubles in his last three games and five career double-doubles (SDSU is 5-0 in those games)... Connected on 8-of-9 field goals in the game... He has 12 blocked shots in his last three games... Scored 43 points (14.3 ppg) in his last three games (had 308 career points in his previous 51 games, 6.0 ppg)... The Aztecs improve to 11-1 when he reaches double figures in scoring... He is the only Aztec player in the last 25 seasons to produce a 18-13-6 game... Now has 76 career blocked shots to put him in 11<sup>th</sup> place on the school's all time list.

### **Terrell Gomez – 13 points, 5-6 FGs, 3-4 3FGs, 4 assists**

Tied a season-high with 13 points... It was his third double-digit scoring game this season and the 84<sup>th</sup> time in his career... Gomez now has 305 career treys... The four assists also tied a season high.

### **Jordan Schakel – 12 points, 6-6 FTs, 2 rebounds**

Returned to double figures in this game for the fifth time this season and the 35<sup>th</sup> time in his career (32-3)... Made all six of his free throw attempts tonight and is now 21-of-22 (95.5 percent)... Played in his 100<sup>th</sup> game at San Diego State (34<sup>th</sup> player in the Division I era to do that).

### **Matt Mitchell – 10 points, 7-10 FTs, 4 rebounds, 2 assists**

Mitchell has scored in double figures in all seven games this season... The senior made seven free throws tonight and has 35 makes through seven games this season... Started his 91<sup>st</sup> career game this evening, tying him with Xavier Thames and Marcello Correa for 15<sup>th</sup> place in recorded history... Has 1,193 career points and is now in 19<sup>th</sup> place in school history... Moved into 13<sup>th</sup> place on the school's free throw list with 277.

## Entering Today

- San Diego State was 23<sup>rd</sup> in Strength of Record
- San Diego State was 55<sup>th</sup> in RPI
- San Diego State was 23<sup>rd</sup> in the Sagarin Ratings
- San Diego State was 30<sup>th</sup> in BPI
- San Diego State was 39<sup>th</sup> in KenPom

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