

Stanford Postgame Notes

October 27, 2012 – Stanford Stadium

No. 19 Stanford (6-2, 4-1) 24 Washington State (2-6, 0-5) 17

- Stanford improved to 6-2 overall and 4-1 in Pac-12 play with its second straight win on the season.
- The Cardinal is now 5-0 at Stanford Stadium in 2012 while extending its home winning streak to seven games.
- Stanford has posted 18 victories in its last 19 affairs at Stanford Stadium.
- Stanford now has won five straight over the Cougars.
- Four of Stanford's six victories this season have come by seven points or fewer.
 - In 2011, only one of its 11 wins came by seven points or less.
- The Cardinal brought the Pac-12's top-ranked rushing defense – and fourth in the NCAA (77.0 yards/game) – in today's contest against the conference's last-place rushing offense (40.6) of Washington State.
 - The Cougars were limited to minus-16 yards rushing on the day, third-fewest allowed by a Cardinal defense in program history.
- Stanford recorded a school-record 10 sacks against the Cougars.
 - The previous high of nine sacks came against Cal (1998) and San Jose State (2008).
- Stanford recorded a season-best 15.0 tackles for loss, receiving 2.5 each from four players (Amanam, Gardner, Murphy, Anderson).
- Junior FS Ed Reynolds' fourth-quarter interception returned for a touchdown was his fourth interception on the season and the second returned for a score.
 - The pick-six was the fourth defensive score for the Cardinal this season.
- Last week, Stanford out-rushed Cal, 252-3. Today, the Cardinal out-rushed the Cougars, 120-(-16).
- Senior RB Stepfan Taylor rushed for a career-high 189 yards on 28 carries at Cal but was held to 58 yards on 21 carries today against Washington State.
- Stanford's senior tight ends have led the Cardinal in receiving in each of the last six games heading into today's matchup with Washington State.
 - Stanford was led today by senior WR Jamal-Rashad Patterson's 70 receiving yards.
- Stanford's two-play, 75-yard scoring drive midway through the second quarter consumed 0:47 on the game clock.
 - It was the second-fastest scoring drive over 50 yards on the season behind a two-play, 70-yard scoring drive against Arizona capped off by Kelsey Young's 55-yard run that spanned 0:36.
- Senior QB Josh Nunes' 70-yard touchdown completion to senior WR Jamal-Rashad Patterson in the second quarter was the longest passing play on the season for Stanford.
- Stanford's defense had forced 31 three-and-outs on the season heading into today's game but waited until the first offensive possession of the second half until recording its first three-and-out against the Cougars.
- Stanford finished the first half with 19 offensive plays while possessing the ball for only 8:57. On its scoring drive to open the second half, the Cardinal used 13 plays to march 78 yards in 6:50 for the score.

Senior FB Ryan Hewitt

- Scored from one yard out to cap off a 78-yard scoring drive to open the second half and give Stanford a 17-10 lead.
- The touchdown was his first career rushing score in 16 attempts.
- Hewitt entered the contest with five career touchdown receptions.

Junior FS Ed Reynolds

- Returned a fourth-quarter interception for a touchdown, his fourth interception on the season and the second returned for a score.
- Moved his season total to 169 interception return yards while entering the game as the NCAA's leader in that category.

Senior QB Josh Nunes

- Hooked up with Jamal-Rashad Patterson for a 70-yard touchdown pass to boost Stanford to a 10-7 lead at the 7:26 mark in the second quarter.

Senior WR Jamal-Rashad Patterson

- Caught a career-long 70-yard touchdown pass at the 7:26 mark in the second quarter.
- Led Stanford in yards receiving with a career-best 70 yards.

Junior K Jordan Williamson

- Connected on a 42-yard field goal at the 8:23 mark in the first quarter to give Stanford a 3-0 lead.
 - It was his first successful attempt after missing two tries last week at California.

Freshman WR Kodi Whitfield

- First career catch – a six-yard reception – came in the first quarter.

Junior RB Anthony Wilkerson

- Season-long rush of 17 yards in the first quarter.

Freshman RG Joshua Garnett

- Recorded first career start at right guard, the first freshman offensive lineman to do so on the season.
 - The last freshman offensive lineman to start for the Cardinal was Kirk Chambers, who did so in 2000.

Sophomore WR Kelsey Young

- Returned the opening kickoff of the second half 22 yards, the first kickoff return of his career.