

**November 27, 2021**  
**Virginia vs. Virginia Tech**  
**Charlottesville, Va. (Scott Stadium)**

**Virginia Player Quotes**

**QB Brennan Armstrong**

***On the offense in the second half:***

"I don't think they did anything different, maybe a little bit more man [coverage]. They ran a lot of zone, we were eating them up in the zone. Then they started going a little bit more man and they were making plays in man coverage. Not to make an excuse; but twisting my ankle. I feel like in the first half I was able to get out and make some plays, shake and bake a little bit, start putting pressure on them down the field when we extended the play. Even if they're in a man or zone, I thought that was what we did well in the first half when we moved the ball pretty well. I just feel that my ankle hindered me a little bit, I was trying to be a bit more decisive because I knew I was gonna be in the pocket a little bit more."

***On adjusting to Virginia Tech's defense:***

"They were rolling safeties, trying to you know, bailing boundary, rolling the boundary safety over, trying to protect the field, protect the shots. They did a good job, I still thought we had some good, big plays. Just hitting small things, we were able to get guys shaking tackles and getting down the field. We didn't have as many long shots down the field or catches; but that's going to be a thing, defenses are going to try to try to stop you on one thing, so you have to do another thing that will move the ball well. We had a lot of longer drives than normal, I guess in a sense, we normally have some big shots down but I thought the offense moved the ball well."

***On how the team looks to bounce back in a potential bowl game:***

"It's a sour taste. This was an important one to us. We got a little bit more time on our hands to bounce back, which can be handled different ways; with a game such as this right after Pitt, you have to bounce back. We have a little bit more time on our hands. I think we just try to forget about it, we have time, people have to deal with it, but we have a lot of time for that. Once we get back practicing, I think we're just going to be excited to play at a new venue against a different team. We've got to get this last one we have to at this point. We've got to end the season on a good note."

**OLB Elliot Brown**

***On the forced turnover late in the game:***

"I think we were all extremely confident [in the offense]. We have extreme faith in the offense, extreme faith in Brennan, extreme faith in this team. Our job is to give the offense more opportunities. So when we did that, the whole defensive sideline was up trying to get the offense excited."

***On how the defense adjusted to Virginia Tech's offensive game plan:***

"I think we just had to adjust to their QB runs. I know that was a big thing for them, number three [Braxton Burmeister] and number four [Connor Blumrick] are both very mobile quarterbacks. I think they used those two to get the yards they needed and we missed a couple shots on big plays, that's what hurt us."

***On the team's recent performances:***

"I don't find things that disappointing. I think it's more of what we talk about a lot, complementary football. Some of those games that we lost, we weren't flying on all cylinders as a team, whether that be the defense, special teams, or offense on how many drives they get. I think that's more of what it accounts for and accounts to."