



2017 Phillips 66 Big 12 Baseball Championship

OKLAHOMA STATE POSTGAME QUOTES - Game 2 Chickasaw Bricktown Ballpark: May 24, 2017

No. 8 Oklahoma State 3, No. 1 Texas Tech 0

Oklahoma State Head Coach Josh Holliday

Opening statement...

"It was a great game for our kids. We had a wonderfully pitched game by our bullpen with Blake [Battenfield] and our bullpen with [Carson] Teel and Trey Cobb were excellent, which is important in this ballpark to not give a team like Texas Tech extra outs because they're a very deep lineup one through nine. They're very difficult to pitch to. We did enough on offense to get a little bit of a lead there, and it proved to be enough. It was a well played game by our kids, and I'm proud of them."

On the team's renewed confidence...

"I think the fact that it was this setting a week ago that we spent so much time in waiting for it to stop raining, getting comfortable and playing here and having some success here. A lot of those things create a good memory in you brain and imagery of what you're doing here is important. To come back here and be in the same dugout, which we'll get to be in the entire tournament because the lower seeded team is the visiting team. So as the eight seed we know our space, we know our place and off we go. I think there's a good carry over for our team right now."

Blake Battenfield, Jr., RHP

On his recent outing at Texas Tech and getting out of an early jam...

"Feeding out of the outing in Lubbock, I was definitely confident coming in knowing that I had seen these guys before and had some success against them. It's kind of funny, earlier in the year I had gotten in some similar situations in jams where I wasn't able to convert and execute pitches. I think I really learned from those experiences and was able to grow from that. I was really confident going in. It was fun to go against those guys. Tank (Colin Simpson) caught a good game behind me and made it easy for me."

On getting out of the early jam...

"(Pitching coach) Rob [Walton] preaches one pitch at a time. Just execute one pitch at a time regardless of the situation. That's all I was thinking was making sure I made my pitch. Because if I make my pitch I'll get the results I want more often than not. More than anything, it was just executing the pitch at hand."

Colin Simpson, So., C

On what was working for Blake Battenfield today...

"Just about every pitch was working for him. He was painting his slider on the edges, painting his change-up. He was working the fastball in and out. He just had really good command of all his pitches today."



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TTU Head Coach Tim Tadlock

Opening statement...

“Congratulations to Oklahoma State. I thought Battenfield, Teal and Cobb did exactly what we’ve seen them do before. Man, those guys can really execute pitches and they we’re on top of their game today. We’ve seen that before. We’ve seen it in Lubbock, we’ve seen it in Omaha, we’ve seen it in Stillwater. No big surprise that those guys we’re that good today. “

On Davis’ pitching today...

“We wanted to go to 60 but you catch a routine ground ball at second he probably gets to 60 pretty easy. I mean obviously we didn’t play the game too well today. We didn’t play the right way. You’d like to be able to do that and get him to 60 but at the same time all of our guys really need to pitch this week. I think there weren’t a whole lot of innings going around last week and you try to keep them sharp. So that was a good spot in the game to get Patterson in there and as you can see he needs work. I mean I think we threw eight straight balls. So obviously if we get another chance to get him back out there that would be good for him going into next weekend.”

On the strength of the Big 12...

“They (OSU) are a typical eight seed in this league. It’s the easiest way to say that and I think if you made up a regional bracket right now and you put them in as a three or four seed, I don’t think whoever got them would be real happy. You could ask anybody hosting a regional in the country if they want to face Battenfield or Buffett, Cobb, Teal and rest of the bullpen and they’re going to say no. Those guys have been there for four years and they can pitch a little bit.”

Tanner Gardner, Jr., INF/OF

On the beginning of the game when the bases we’re loaded...

“It’s always important when the bases are loaded, no matter how many outs there were. You know we had second and third with one out and that was a pretty big out that he got there with the strikeout. Yeah I think that was really important, definitely a confidence booster on his part. He was just throwing the ball well. If he get’s his confidence going on something like that it’s going to be hard to hit.