



## Illinois State Postgame Notes

FINAL – #12 Illinois State 34, South Dakota 31  
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### PLAYER NOTES:

- With his 58-yard completion to **Tyrone Walker** of the first play from scrimmage, **Matt Brown** became Illinois State's all-time leader in career passing yards as he moved past **Kevin Glenn** (8,251). He finished the game with 336 and now has 8,856 in his four-year career at ISU.
- Brown's 336 yards passing mark his second game this season with 300 or more yards passing and it was his 10th career 300-plus yard passing effort of his career.
- Brown also finished the game with 31 pass attempts, which makes him the all-time leader in that category (1,186) as well, as he passed Glenn (1,164).
- Brown's 79-yard TD pass to Harden in the fourth quarter tied the ISU all-time record of 62 set by Glenn.
- **Darrellynn Dunn** rushed for two touchdowns against the Coyotes, giving him nine for the year. It also marked his fourth multiple-touchdown performance in five games this season.
- Dunn also rushed for 107 yards, marking his fourth game this season with over 100 yards rushing.
- **Dontae McCoy** blocked a pair of punts in the second quarter, the second of which resulted in a touchdown run by Brown to give the Redbirds a 24-10 lead. McCoy now has three punt blocks on the season, with this other resulting in a **Pat Meehan** 10-yard TD return.
- **Ben Ericksen** set a new career high with two TFLs against South Dakota to go along with four tackles
- With his 110 yards receiving, Tyrone Walker recorded his second 100-plus yard receiving performance of the season and the 11th of his career.
- Walker also had five receptions in the game, giving him 191 in his career, just one short of tying **Laurent Robinson** for the all-time ISU record (192).
- **Donovan Harden** also set a career high with 139 yards, marking his first 100-plus receiving yard game of his career and the fourth by a Redbird receiver this year.
- **Mike Zimmer** recorded his third-straight double-digit tackling effort, with 13 overall including a half of a sack.
- **Matt Goldsmith** intercepted his first career pass and secured the eighth for the Redbirds this season, after the team posted just three all last season.

### TEAM NOTES:

- ISU improved to 5-0 to start the season for the first time since 1967, when the Redbirds finished 8-2 under head coach **Larry Bitcon**.
- ISU head coach **Brock Spack** improved to 24-14 in his career at ISU and is now 2-0 against the Coyotes.
- With his 24th victory, Spack ties Todd Berry for eighth on the all-time ISU coaching wins list.
- The Redbirds are now 2-0 in Missouri Valley Football Conference play for the second time in three seasons (last in 2010).

