

# USD COYOTES GAME DAY 2-8 VS ILLINOIS STATE REDBIRDS 8-1

(0-6 MVFC) (5-1 MVFC)

1 p.m., DakotaDome (10,000)  
Vermillion  
Radio: 106.3 FM



## SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	USD	Opp
Aug. 30	at Oregon	13	62
Sept. 6	vs. William Penn	41	16
Sept. 13	at Montana	20	28
Sept. 20	vs. Northern Arizona	28	21
Oct. 4	at Southern Illinois	10	41
Oct. 11	vs. Northern Iowa	16	27
Oct. 18	at Missouri State	12	31
Oct. 25	vs. North Dakota State	7	47
Nov. 1	at Youngstown State	17	28
Nov. 8	vs. Western Illinois	29	44
Nov. 15	vs. Illinois State (1 p.m.)		
Nov. 22	at South Dakota State (2 p.m.)		

## STAT LEADERS

RUSHING					
	Att	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Jasper Sanders	128	697	5.4	45	5
Trevor Bourina	106	508	4.8	32	3
Jordan Roberts	41	245	6.0	26	0
Ryan Saeger	43	195	4.5	36	4
<b>COYOTES</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>1,775</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>2,401</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>22</b>

  

PASSING					
	Com	Att	Yds	Int	TD
Kevin Earl	100	190	1,067	5	5
Ryan Saeger	48	88	632	3	2
<b>COYOTES</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>1,717</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>2,133</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>22</b>

  

RECEIVING					
	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Eric Shufford	41	484	12.0	31	3
Riley Donovan	25	305	12.2	37	1
Josh Vander Maten	19	146	7.7	23	0
<b>COYOTES</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>1,717</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>2,133</b>	<b>15.1</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>22</b>

  

PLACE KICKING					
	EPm	EPa	FGm	FGa	Long
Miles Bergner	17	19	16	16	50

  

PUNTING					
	No	Avg.	Long	In20	15
Miles Bergner	58	41.1	69	15	

  

DEFENSIVE LEADERS					
	Tack	TFL	Sack	INT	FR
Tyson Graham	85	0.5	—	1	—
John Wessel	76	2.5	1.5	1	—
Keyen Lage	56	4.5	—	—	—
Jacob Warner	51	4.0	—	1	—
Colin Buscarini	50	3.5	1.0	—	—
Drew Iddings	33	7.5	2.0	—	1
<b>COYOTES</b>	<b>740</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>

## PROBABLE STARTERS

COYOTE OFFENSE						
Pos	No	Name	Ht	Wt	Yr	
QB	14	Kevin Earl	6-3	215	Jr.	
HB	3	Jasper Sanders	5-10	200	Sr.	
FB	41	Drew Potter	6-2	250	So.	
WR	1	Riley Donovan	6-1	185	So.	
WR	7	Josh Vander Maten	6-1	215	Sr.	
WR	11	Eric Shufford	5-11	185	Jr.	
TE	89	Kayl Barkley	6-3	250	Jr.	
LT	70	Matt Huffar	6-7	300	Sr.	
LG	62	Nile Banks	6-5	295	So.	
C	79	Nick Olson	6-3	285	Jr.	
RG	72	Andrew Schofield	6-5	295	Sr.	
RT	64	Stetson Dagal	6-4	275	Rfr.	

  

COYOTE DEFENSE						
Pos	No	Name	Ht	Wt	Yr	
DE	55	Sean Bredl	6-4	260	So.	
DT	56	Nick Jacobs	6-2	280	Jr.	
DE	94	Drew Iddings	6-6	290	Jr.	
OLB	4	Ryan Hillier	6-1	230	Jr.	
ILB	28	John Wessel	6-2	230	So.	
ILB	37	Colin Buscarini	6-1	220	Jr.	
OLB	33	Keyen Lage	6-3	240	Jr.	
CB	17	Steve Tellefsen	6-1	190	Sr.	
FS	8	Tyson Graham	6-2	200	So.	
SS	24	Jacob Warner	6-0	195	Jr.	
CB	2	Mike Lilly	5-9	160	Jr.	



**South Dakota's Josh Vander Maten (7) tries to escape the William Penn defense during the Coyotes' home opener on Sept. 6. The quarterback-turned-receiver is one of nine seniors who will play their final game in the DakotaDome today (Saturday).**

## STANDINGS

Team	Conf	All
North Dakota State	.5-1	9-1
Illinois State	.5-1	8-1
Youngstown State	.4-2	7-3
Northern Iowa	.4-2	6-4
South Dakota State	.3-3	6-4
Southern Illinois	.3-3	6-4
Indiana State	.3-3	6-4
Western Illinois	.2-4	4-6
Missouri State	.2-4	4-6
South Dakota	0-6	2-8

## CONDITIONS

Indoors. FieldTurf. Only the heartiest of individuals will be tailgating today, as temps will hover in the low 20s all morning, with snow possible around gametime.

## ONLINE

The Press & Dakotan's Jeremy Hoeck posts updates to his Twitter page during every South Dakota home game. Find it at [twitter.com/jhoeck](http://twitter.com/jhoeck). Complete coverage will be available online at [www.yankton.net](http://www.yankton.net).

## PREDICTION

With some of the nation's top offensive weapons at running back and quarterback, Illinois State has rolled its way into the top-10. The Coyotes, meanwhile, are trying to avoid a 12th straight league loss.

**REDBIRDS 42, COYOTES 21**

## MATCHUPS

### COYOTE OFFENSE VS. ISU DEFENSE

After breaking through for 23 points in the first half last week, the Coyotes stalled after halftime. They'll find it tough against a Redbirds defense that boasts 19 sacks from its front four. Significant edge to ISU.

### COYOTE DEFENSE VS. ISU OFFENSE

This will be an even bigger challenge for USD, facing an Illinois State offense that averages 37 points and 231 rushing yards. The big play hurt the Coyotes a week ago, so look for the Redbirds to try some deep routes. Edge to ISU.

## SPECIAL TEAMS

The lone highlight for USD this season has been kicker Miles Bergner, who is a perfect 16-for-16 with 18 straight dating back to last season. He's been able to at least get the Coyotes points on drives that stall. Edge to USD.

## INTANGIBLES

Illinois State is fighting for a playoff seed, while the Coyotes are simply looking for anything positive at this point — whether it be points, defensive turnovers or big plays. Don't expect a big crowd today. We'll give the edge to ISU.



## SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	ISU	Opp
Sept. 6	vs. Mississippi Valley State	62	0
Sept. 13	vs. Eastern Illinois	34	15
Sept. 27	vs. Austin Peay	55	6
Oct. 4	vs. South Dakota State	45	10
Oct. 11	at Indiana State	20	18
Oct. 18	at Western Illinois	37	34
Oct. 25	vs. Missouri State	21	7
Nov. 1	at Northern Iowa	28	42
Nov. 8	vs. Youngstown State	35	21
Nov. 15	at South Dakota (1 p.m. ET)		
Nov. 22	vs. Southern Illinois (1 p.m. ET)		

## STAT LEADERS

RUSHING					
	Att	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Marshaun Coprich	210	1,302	6.2	76	17
Tre Roberson	99	509	5.1	37	5
James Traham	26	127	4.9	17	0
<b>REDBIRDS</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>2,077</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>1,184</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>7</b>

  

PASSING					
	Com	Att	Yds	Int	TD
Tre Roberson	108	196	1,653	9	17
<b>REDBIRDS</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>1,767</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>1,648</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>9</b>

  

RECEIVING					
	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Lechein Neblett	30	590	19.7	66	5
Camron Meredith	30	505	16.8	33	4
James O'Shaughnessy	17	310	18.2	51	5
Anthony Warrum	12	168	14.0	47	2
<b>REDBIRDS</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>1,767</b>	<b>15.4</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>1,648</b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>9</b>

  

PLACE KICKING					
	EPm	EPa	FGm	FGa	Long
Nick Aussieker	33	35	8	9	41

  

PUNTING					
	No	Avg.	Long	In20	12
C.J. Laros	45	41.9	72	12	

  

DEFENSIVE LEADERS					
	Tack	TFL	Sack	INT	FR
Pat Meehan	70	5.0	2.0	1	—
Teddy Corwin	63	10.0	5.5	2	—
Alex Donnelly	54	2.0	1.0	2	—
Oshay Dummore	47	7.5	3.0	2	2
Bradon Prate	40	6.0	4.0	—	—
David Perkins	39	7.0	5.0	1	1
<b>REDBIRDS</b>	<b>655</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>608</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>

## PROBABLE STARTERS

REDBIRDS OFFENSE						
Pos	No	Name	Ht	Wt	Yr	
LT	59	Mike Liedtke	6-3	305	Jr.	
LG	77	Kyle Avaloy	6-5	330	So.	
C	54	Mark Spelman	6-3	280	So.	
RG	71	Rocco Ammons	6-5	330	Sr.	
RT	70	Jermaine Barton	6-7	315	Sr.	
TE	80	James O'Shaughnessy	6-4	245	Sr.	
WR	38	Jamal Towns	5-6	175	So.	
WR	19	Camron Meredith	6-3	200	Sr.	
WR	85	Lechein Neblett	6-0	185	Sr.	
QB	5	Tre Roberson	6-0	205	Jr.	
RB	25	Marshaun Coprich	5-9	205	Jr.	
FB	30	Brady Tibbitts	5-10	240	So.	

  

REDBIRDS DEFENSE						
Pos	No	Name	Ht	Wt	Yr	
DE	67	Teddy Corwin	6-5	250	Jr.	
DT	69	Bradon Prate	6-4	285	Sr.	
DT	23	Collin Keeshian	6-3	260	Sr.	
DE	4	David Perkins	6-2	225	Jr.	
SLB	28	Oshay Dummore	6-2	215	So.	
MLB	33	Pat Meehan	6-1	225	Jr.	
WLB	40	Alex Donnelly	6-0	225	Jr.	
CB	24	Mike Banks	5-7	165	Sr.	
FS	1	Tevin Allen	5-9	175	Sr.	
SS	3	Dontae McCoy	6-0	210	Sr.	
CB	13	Dion Stames	6-1	185	Rfr.	

# JACKRABBITS GAME DAY 6-4 VS WESTERN ILLINOIS 4-6

(3-3 MVFC) (2-4 MVFC)

2 p.m., Coughlin-Alumni Stadium (15,000), Brookings • Radio: 570 AM  
Series: SDSU leads 7-4; Last Meeting: SDSU 38, WIU 14 (2013)

## Quick Hitters

■ SDSU quarterback Austin Sumner enters three touchdown passes away from tying Ryan Berry's school record of 56 career touchdown passes.  
■ SDSU freshman wide receiver Jake Wieneke leads all FCS freshmen with 982 receiving yards and 11 TD catches.  
■ Western Illinois quarterback Trenton Norvell threw a career-high five touchdown passes at USD last week. He has 2,462 yards and 20 TD's on the season.  
■ Former Leathernecks who played in the NFL include Mike Wagner, who won four Super Bowls with

Pittsburgh, and Rodney Harrison, who won two Super Bowls with New England. San Diego punter Mike Scifres and Carolina linebacker Jason Williams also played for WIU.  
■ SDSU will celebrate "Military Appreciation Day" in conjunction with today's game.  
■ SDSU will open the Sanford-Jackrabbit Athletic Complex to fans from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Activities in the SJAC will include a fun zone with inflatables and Jackrabbit red-shirt freshmen football players running interactive drills and signing autographs. Hot chocolate and coffee will be available while supplies last.

## Key Matchup

**Austin Sumner vs. WIU secondary:** While the SDSU QB has only two starts on the season because of an injury in the opener, he is one of the best to play the position for the Jacks. He threw for 265 yards and three scores against the Leathernecks a year ago, and WIU enters this year's matchup ranked 10th in the MVFC in pass defense.

## From The Coach

■ "I think we played the best game we've played all year," SDSU head coach John Stiegelmeier on the Jackrabbits' 32-17 victory over Indiana State on Nov. 8.

# HUSKERS GAME DAY 8-1 N VS I 7-2

(4-1 B1G) (4-1 B1G)

2:30 p.m., Camp Randall Stadium (80,321), Madison, Wis. • Radio: 93.1 FM • TV: ABC  
Series: Tied 4-4; Last Meeting: Wisconsin 70, Nebraska 31 (2012 Big Ten Championship Game)

## Quick Hitters

■ Wisconsin defense leads country in allowing just 251.1 yards per contest.  
■ Wisconsin's Melvin Gordon leads nation with 166.8 yards per game.  
■ Nebraska's Ameer Abdullah is active major college career leader in all-purpose yards with 6,605.  
■ Winner gets Freedom Trophy, the latest addition to the Big Ten trophy game slate.

## Key Matchup

**Nebraska**