

USD COYOTES GAME DAY 1-1 (0-0 MVFC) 3-0 (0-0 Big Ten)

2:30 p.m., Ryan Field (47,130), Evanston, Ill. • Radio: 106.3 FM, 91.1 FM • TV: Big Ten Network



SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	USD	Opp
Sept. 1	at Montana	24	35
Sept. 8	vs. Colgate	31	21
Sept. 22	at Northwestern (2:30 p.m.)		
Sept. 29	vs. Illinois State (2 p.m.)		
Oct. 6	vs. Western Illinois (2 p.m.)		
Oct. 13	at Missouri State (1 p.m.)		
Oct. 20	vs. North Dakota State (Sioux Falls, 6 p.m.)		
Oct. 27	at Indiana State (1:05 p.m.)		
Nov. 3	at Youngstown State (1 p.m.)		
Nov. 10	vs. Northern Iowa (noon)		
Nov. 17	at South Dakota State (2 p.m.)		

STAT LEADERS

RUSHING

	Att	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Marcus Sims	22	165	7.5	37	1
Josh Vander Maten	24	103	4.3	20	2
Jasper Sanders	17	36	2.1	7	1
COYOTES	66	296	4.5	37	4
Opponents	113	552	4.9	31	4

PASSING

	Com	Att	Yds	Int	TD
Josh Vander Maten	24	34	274	2	2
COYOTES	37	54	274	2	2
Opponents	24	54	349	2	4

RECEIVING

	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Terrance Terry	10	146	14.6	80	2
Will Powell	8	74	9.2	19	0
Quintin McMartin	3	33	11.0	23	0
COYOTES	24	274	11.4	80	2
Opponents	37	349	9.4	39	4

PLACE KICKING

	EPm	EPa	FGm	FGa	Long
Kevin Robb	7	7	2	2	34

PUNTING

	No	Avg	Long	In20
Cole Zwiefelhofer	10	40.2	51	2

DEFENSIVE LEADERS

	Tack	TFL	Sack	INT	FR
Ryan Hillier	20	—	—	—	—
Tim Marlette	19	1.5	1	—	—
Darius Hogans	19	0.5	0.5	—	—
Kyle Guziec	17	—	—	—	1
Devin Taverna	15	—	—	—	—
D'Angelo Butler	15	0.5	0.5	—	—
COYOTES	230	9	5	2	3
Opponents	125	10	3	2	1

PROBABLE STARTERS

COYOTE OFFENSE

Pos	No	Name	Ht	Wt	Yr
QB	16	Josh Vander Maten	6-2	205	Sr.
RB	32	Marcus Sims	5-10	200	Sr.
FB	87	Quintin McMartin	6-1	240	Sr.
WR	17	Will Powell	6-1	205	Sr.
WR	83	Austin Koch	6-1	180	Jr.
WR	8	Terrance Terry	5-9	185	So.
TE	84	Jay Burns	6-4	230	Sr.
RT	77	Marc Murtha	6-6	300	Jr.
RG	72	Andrew Schofield	6-5	285	So.
C	69	Tim Ross	6-2	285	Sr.
LG	67	Cody O'Neill	6-2	310	Jr.
LT	70	Matt Huffer	6-7	290	So.

COYOTE DEFENSE

Pos	No	Name	Ht	Wt	Yr
DE	52	Jordan Eaton	6-5	255	Sr.
DE	56	Nick Jacobs	6-5	285	RFr.
DE	91	David Glesse	6-3	280	Sr.
OLB	11	Tyler Starr	6-5	230	Jr.
MLB	25	Tim Marlette	6-0	225	Sr.
MLB	43	Darius Hogans	6-1	215	Sr.
OLB	4	Ryan Hillier	6-1	215	RFr.
FS	9	Aaron Smith	5-8	170	Jr.
SS	2	Devin Taverna	6-1	210	Jr.
CB	24	Chris Lundy	5-9	160	So.
CB	7	Chris Frierson	6-1	180	Jr.

Series: Northwestern leads 4-0; Last Meeting: Northwestern 47, USD 2 (1927)



Wisconsin fans party during the second half of action against South Dakota at Camp Randall Stadium in Madison, Wis., on Saturday, September 24, 2011. USD will look for a better showing than that 59-10 loss as the Coyotes face a Big Ten foe for a third straight season, today (Saturday) at Northwestern.

STANDINGS

Team	Conf	All
Illinois State	0-0	3-0
Youngstown State	0-0	3-0
North Dakota State	0-0	2-0
Indiana State	0-0	2-1
South Dakota State	0-0	2-1
Western Illinois	0-0	2-0
South Dakota	0-0	1-1
Northern Iowa	0-0	1-2
Southern Illinois	0-0	1-2
Missouri State	0-0	0-3

MATCHUPS

COYOTE OFFENSE VS. WILDCATS DEFENSE

USD is committed to the run. Northwestern is geared to stop the run. Who wins? The Coyotes don't figure to find much success on the ground, but look for them to expose Northwestern's subpar pass defense. Still, the Big Ten hosts should be OK.

COYOTE DEFENSE VS. WILDCATS OFFENSE

The key for USD will be slowing down RB Venric Mark, both on rushing plays and on punt returns. The Wildcats' 1-2 punch of Mark and QB Kain Colter might be too much for the Coyotes' defense, which has allowed 552 rush yards.

SPECIAL TEAMS

Both teams have quality punters and kickers (each side has a kicker perfect this season on field goals). The key, in our eyes, will be on returns. Should Northwestern be forced to punt much, the Coyotes will have to capitalize.

INTANGIBLES

Unlike the Minnesota game in 2010, the Coyotes don't figure to be overlooked by this Big Ten team. Northwestern, though, might look to bring in some back-ups.

PREDICTION

Northwestern isn't Wisconsin, but it shouldn't matter much against USD, playing its third Big Ten opponent in as many seasons. Look for the Wildcats to pound the ground against the Coyote defense.

NORTHWESTERN 38, COYOTES 17



SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	NW	Opp
Sept. 1	at Syracuse	42	41
Sept. 8	vs. Vanderbilt	23	13
Sept. 15	vs. Boston College	22	13
Sept. 22	vs. South Dakota (2:30 p.m.)		
Sept. 29	vs. Indiana (11 a.m.)		
Oct. 6	at Penn State (11 a.m.)		
Oct. 13	at Minnesota (11 a.m.)		
Oct. 20	vs. Nebraska (TBA)		
Oct. 27	vs. Iowa (11 a.m.)		
Nov. 10	at Michigan (TBA)		
Nov. 17	at Michigan State (TBA)		
Nov. 24	vs. Illinois (TBA)		

STAT LEADERS

RUSHING

	Att	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Venric Mark	56	282	5.0	32	2
Kain Colter	42	172	4.1	29	2
Mike Trumpy	24	111	4.6	27	1
WILDCATS	146	608	4.2	32	4
Opponents	84	240	2.9	25	1

PASSING

	Com	Att	Yds	Int	TD
Kain Colter	37	56	321	0	2
Trevor Siemian	32	47	292	0	1
WILDCATS	69	103	613	0	3
Opponents	86	143	990	1	6

RECEIVING

	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Demetrius Fields	19	164	8.6	25	1
Venric Mark	10	72	7.2	21	1
Christian Jones	9	87	9.7	19	1
WILDCATS	69	613	8.9	41	3
Opponents	86	990	11.5	55	6

PLACE KICKING

	EPm	EPa	FGm	FGa	Long
Jeff Budzien	9	9	8	8	42

PUNTING

	No	Avg	Long	In20
Brandon Williams	13	38.8	53	6

DEFENSIVE LEADERS

	Tack	TFL	Sack	INT	FR
Chi Chi Anzueto	27	4.5	1	1	2
David Nwabuisi	20	2.5	—	—	2
Ibraheem Campbell	20	—	—	—	—
Damien Proby	17	—	—	—	—
Tyler Scott	14	4	3	—	—
WILDCATS	205	16	5	1	5
Opponents	264	21	8	—	3

PROBABLE STARTERS

WILDCATS OFFENSE

Pos	No	Name	Ht	Wt	Yr
TE	40	Dan Vitale	6-2	220	Fr.
LT	70	Patrick Ward	6-2	310	Sr.
LG	72	Brian Mulroe	6-7	310	Sr.
C	66	Brandon Vitabile	6-3	310	So.
RG	74	Chuck Porcelli	6-7	315	Sr.
RT	75	Jack Konopa	6-5	290	So.
WR	6	Tony Jones	6-0	185	So.
WR	8	Demetrius Fields	6-0	210	Sr.
QB	2	Kain Colter	6-0	190	Jr.
TB	5	Venric Mark	5-8	180	Jr.
WR	17	Rashad Lawrence	6-2	195	Jr.

WILDCATS DEFENSE

Pos	No	Name	Ht	Wt	Yr
DE	97	Tyler Scott	6-4	265	Jr.
DT	92	Will Hampton	6-3	290	Jr.
DT	91	Brian Arnett	6-5	300	Sr.
DE	88	Quentin Williams	6-4	255	Sr.
OLB	44	Chi Chi Anzueto	6-3	235	So.
MLB	46	Damien Proby	6-0	245	Jr.
OLB	33	David Nwabuisi	6-1	240	Sr.
CB	23	Nick VanHoose	6-0	165	RFr.
SS	24	Ibraheem Campbell	5-11	210	So.
FS	27	Jared Carpenter	6-0	205	Sr.
CB	22	Demetrius Dugar	5-11	180	Sr.

JACKRABBITS GAME DAY 2-1 (0-0 MVFC) 2-1 (0-0 MVFC)

1:05 p.m., Memorial Stadium (12,764), Terre Haute, Ind. • Radio: 570 AM
Series: Tied 2-2; Last Meeting: ISU 38, SDSU 28 (2011)

Quick Hitters

■ Today's game will feature the top two running backs in the FCS. The Jacks' Zach Zenner ranks first with 658 yards, while ISU's Shakir Bell has 610 yards.

■ Last week against non-scholarship Drake (Iowa), Bell rushed for a league-record 349 yards on 33 carries. He needs 71 yards today to reach 3,000 for his career.

■ SDSU has won five consecutive FCS games, dating back to last season. The Jacks' last FCS loss was on Oct. 22, 2011 to North Dakota State.

■ In its six-plus seasons at the FCS level, SDSU has played 37 games against ranked FCS opponents and has an 11-26 record. Indiana State enters today's game at No. 25 in this week's coaches poll.

■ SDSU's defense has been especially stingy the last two weeks. The Jacks, who beat Southeastern Louisiana 31-14 the previous week, had seven sacks last week against UC Davis.

■ SDSU senior receiver Tyrel Kool, a Yankton native, leads the team with 11 receptions for 110 yards, with one touchdown.

■ Indiana State's defense is led by Buck Buchanan Award nominee Ben Obaseki, who has 11 tackles this season.

■ The Sycamores' defense has allowed just one offensive touchdown to the

opposition over the last nine quarters of action. Indiana State blanked Quincy 44-0 on Sept. 8 and beat Drake 27-10 last week.

Key Matchup

SDSU d-line vs. Shakir Bell.

In a battle of the nation's top two running backs, the Jackrabbits are obviously focused on slowing down Bell. The junior ran for 199 yards against SDSU last season, but the Jacks have stepped up that front this season. With a new quarterback in Mike Perish, the Sycamores have been especially reliant on Bell in 2012. He averages 8.0 yards per carry and has carried 76 of Indiana State's 91 rushes. How the Jacks handle Bell will no doubt be the key to the game. Can they force the Sycamores to throw?

From The Coach

■ "Coach (Trent) Miles has done a remarkable job in a short amount of time. He stayed the course. A couple years ago when we beat them, he said they would build up the program." SDSU head coach **John Stiegelmeier**, on facing Indiana State which is nationally-ranked and 2-1 this season. The Sycamores were 0-12 in 2008 and 1-10 the following season. Last year they improved to 6-5.

HUSKERS GAME DAY 2-0 (0-0 BIG 10) 1-1 (0-0 Big Sky)

2:30 p.m., Memorial Stadium (81,091), Lincoln, Neb. • Radio: 93.1 FM • TV: BTN
Series: First meeting

Quick Hitters

■ This is the third straight year Nebraska has played an opponent from the Football Championship Subdivision.

■ Nebraska QB Taylor Martinez, who said his goal for the season is to complete 70 percent of his passes, is hitting 71 percent through three games. He's completing 81.3 percent in home games.

■ Nebraska RB Rex Burhead, the 2011 All-Big Ten back, has been out since the first half of the opener because of a strained knee ligament. He comes back just in time to work out the kinks before Big Ten play begins.

■ Idaho State gets \$600,000 for three hours of work, and its players get a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to play in one of the great college football venues.

■ Idaho State is playing an FBS opponent for the second time this season. The Bengals lost their opener 49-21 at Air Force.

■ The Bengals have lost 33 straight road games since 2006 and 17 games in a row against FBS teams since beating Utah State in 2000.

■ Idaho State senior WR Derek Graves caught