

# BAYLOR

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## 2017 POSTGAME NOTES

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RV/NR **DUKE (3-0, 0-0) 34**, NR/NR **BAYLOR (0-3, 0-0) 20**

WALLACE WADE STADIUM • DURHAM, N.C.

SEPT. 16, 2017 • ATTENDANCE: 26,714

### MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

- In last 59 games BU has just 16 losses, seven to top 15-ranked teams (and eight away from home).
- Baylor has won 20 of its last 30 games played outside of Waco.
- Baylor and Duke have met only one other time, which was a 12-7 win for Duke in Durham on Oct. 11, 1958.
- Baylor played its first Power-Five non-conference regular season game since Sept. 19, 2009 vs. UCONN (L, 30-22).
- Baylor faced its first Power-Five non-conference road opponent since Sept. 5, 2009 at Wake Forest (W, 24-21).
- Baylor had won four straight non-conference road games, dating back to 2011 -- last loss was on Sept. 18, 2010 at TCU (45-10).
- Baylor is now 19-19 all-time against members of the ACC.
- Baylor is in its 116th football season and first under **Matt Rhule** -- the Bears are 588-560-44 all-time and **Rhule** is 28-26 in his career (0-3 at BU).
- Baylor has scored in a school-record 128 straight games -- the previous school record was 89 games from Dec. 31, 1979 - Oct. 23, 1987.
- **Blake Blackmar**, **Davion Hall**, **Zach Smith** and **Taylor Young** served as team captains vs. Duke.

### TEAM NOTES

- Nine of Baylor's 10 touchdown-scoring drives this season have lasted two minutes or less. BU has scored in 48 seconds or less on six of those drives and averages 1:04 on TD drives this season.
- Baylor's defense on third down in last six quarters has held opponents to 4-for-24 after allowing foes to go 22-of-34 in first six quarters.
- Baylor held Duke to 4-of-18 on third-down conversions. Duke entered the game ranked 8th nationally going 21-of-36 on third-down conversions.
- Baylor held Duke to 439 total yards after Duke had tallied 500 or more yards in each of its first two games.
- Baylor forced its first turnover under **Rhule** on a fumble recovery by **Deonte Williams** in the first quarter.
- **Matt Rhule**-coached teams have forced two or more turnovers in 24 of 54 games and his teams own a 17-7 record in those games, including wins in 12 of the last 15 and seven of the last nine.
- **Matt Rhule**-coached teams are 22-10 when scoring first.
- **Matt Rhule**-coached teams are 10-2 when scoring on their first drive.
- Baylor had a season-high 5 sacks after entering the game with 4 sacks in its first two games.
- Baylor had a season-high 12 tackles-for-loss after entering the game with 16 tackles-for-loss in its first two games.
- Underclassmen have accounted for 64% (157 of 245) of Baylor's tackles through three games. Underclassmen had 63 of 89 tackles (71%) at Duke.
- Baylor has seven passes of 40 or more yards through three games. It's total of four 40-yard passes prior to the game ranked fifth in FBS.

### INDIVIDUAL NOTES

- QB **Zach Smith**, who started for the first time this season, made his fifth career start and has thrown for at least 200 yards and 2 TDs in every start.
- **Smith** tied a career high with three TD passes.
- **Smith's** 14 TD passes in his first five career starts are second-best among Baylor QBs in their first five starts, trailing only Seth Russell (24).
- **Smith** tossed a career-long 73-yard pass, resulting in a TD, and then topped it with a 79-yard TD strike.
- **Smith** posted a career-long 17-yard rush.
- WR **Chris Platt** has a reception in nine straight games and 15 of the last 16 games.
- WR **Platt** had a career-high 148 receiving yards for his second career 100-yard receiving game.
- WR **Platt** caught a 73-yard TD pass and 79-yard TD pass for his third and fourth TD catches of the season and second and third TD catches of 70 or more yards. He has nine career TD catches and four TDs of more than 70 yards.
- WR **Denzel Mims** has had at least one TD catch in each of the first three games this season (KD Cannon had one or more in each of the first three games in 2016 and Corey Coleman had one or more in the first eight games in 2015).
- WR **Mims** caught a 44-yard TD on Baylor's second play of the game for his third TD of the season and his career.
- WR **Tony Nicholson** caught a career-long 19-yard pass.
- DT **Ira Lewis** had one sack to up his season total to 2.5 and career total to 5.5.
- RB **Drew Dixon** rushed nine times for 28 yards after entering the game with 1 rushing yard on 1 attempt.
- P **Drew Galitz** booted career-long punts of 68 yards and 70 yards.
- DE **Deonte Williams** recovered his first career fumble.
- LB **Clay Johnston** made his first career sack, tied his career-high with 3.0 TFLs, set his career-high with 13 tackles and had his second straight game with 10 or more tackles.
- S **Henry Black** picked off his first career pass.
- LB **Eric Ogor** tallied his second career sack and second in as many games.
- DE **Brian Nance** had his first two sacks and TFLs of the season and fourth of his career and first sack resulted in his first forced fumble of the season and third of his career.
- CB **Blake Lynch** made his first career start on the defensive side of the ball.
- OL **Ish Wilson** made his 12th career start, and first since Dec. 3, 2016 at West Virginia. He has played in a team-high 42 career games.
- OL **Patrick Lawrence** and **Blake Blackmar** made their 16th and 15th consecutive starts, respectively.