

## FOOTBALL

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## WEST VIRGINIA VS. BAYLOR / POSTGAME NOTES McLane Stadium // October 21, 2017

- There were no first-time starters for West Virginia. The Mountaineers have a total of 29 players with at least one game of starting experience. Senior offensive lineman Kyle Bosch made his team-leading 36th career start.
- ▶ WVU's 493 yards of total offense helped set a school record for most average yards through seven games (539.4).
- ▶ Following his career-high 375-yard passing performance, Will Grier now has the longest active streak of consecutive 300-yard passing games in the country with seven.
- Grier became the first player in school history to record five touchdown passes in back-to-back games.
- Grier is just the third player in school history to throw for five touchdowns in three different games in one season.
- Grier moved to No. 9 in single-season passing yards with 2,467, passing Marc Bulger (1997).
- Following his third-quarter touchdown pass to Ka'Raun White, Grier moved into a tie for No. 4 in single-season touchdown passes with 26 (Skyler Howard, 2015, 2016).
- Grier has thrown at least three touchdown passes in six of seven games this season.
- David Sills V's 53-yard touchdown reception in the third quarter was his 15th of the season and 17th of his career. With the score, Sills V became just the third Big 12 player to record 15 receiving touchdowns in the last five seasons.
- Sills V has caught three touchdowns in a game three times this season, becoming just the second player in school history to do so (Stedman Bailey, 2012).
- Sills V has scored multiple touchdowns in six out of seven games this season.
- Sills V's 16-yard touchdown reception in the second quarter was his 14th of the season and 16th of his career.
- Sills V's 35-yard touchdown reception in the first quarter was his 13th of the season and 15th of his career.
- Sills V's first-quarter score moved him to No. 2 in single-season touchdown receptions, passing Tavon Austin (2012), Stedman Bailey (2011), Darius Reynaud (2007) and Chris Henry (2004).
- Sills V finished with 136 receiving yards while Gary Jennings registered 116 yards, marking the second time this season WVU has featured double 100-yard receivers.
- ▶ WVU now has nine players who've tallied 100 or more receiving yards in a game this season.
- ▶ WVU has had at least one 100-yard receiver in 16 of the last 22 games, including all seven this season.

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- Marcus Simms' 40-yard touchdown reception in the third quarter was his fourth of the season and fifth of his career.
- Tevin Bush's 16-yard rush in the third quarter was the longest of his career.
- Ka'Raun White's 6-yard touchdown reception in the third quarter was his sixth of the season and 11th of his career.
- WVU scored 21 points in the third quarter, becoming the eighth time the Mountaineers have scored 20 or more points in a quarter this season.
- The Mountaineers recorded a season-high six sacks and 12 tackles for loss as a team.
- Following its 493-yard offensive performance, WVU has had 400 yards of total offense in 26 of last 32 games; 450 yards in 15 of last 21 games.
- Mike Molina's 27-yard field goal in the first quarter was his fifth of the season and 20th of his career.
- ➤ The Mountaineer defense limited Baylor to just 3 of 15 on third-downs conversions (20%) and has now held opponents to under 50 percent on third-down attempts in 15 straight games and 41 of the last 43 games.
- ▶ WVU scored three touchdowns of 20 or more yards and now has 15 on the season.
- ▶ WVU registered three drives of 70 or more yards and now has 24 on the season. The team also has tallied 11 drives of 80 or more yards in 2017.
- WVU's win over Baylor was its first-ever victory in Waco. The Mountaineers lead the all-time series against the Bears, 4-2.