

WEEK NINE
OKLAHOMA ST at IOWA ST

Oklahoma State upsets No. 23 Iowa State 34-27

AMES, Iowa -- Iowa State surged back into the Top 25 by making big plays on offense and limiting them on defense.

Oklahoma State stole the Cyclones' recipe, took care of the ball and escaped Ames with a potential season-changing upset. Freshman Spencer Sanders threw for 249 yards and two TDs, and Oklahoma State beat 23rd-ranked Iowa State 34-27 on Saturday to snap the Cyclones' three-game winning streak.

Chuba Hubbard had 116 yards rushing for the Cowboys (5-3, 2/3 Big 12), who used four big plays to snap their own two-game skid. The Pokes also forced three turnovers in the fourth quarter after entering play ranked 123rd nationally in turnover margin.

"This is a great life lesson for the boys from the standpoint of, just keep playing," Oklahoma State coach Mike Gundy said.

Malcolm Rodriguez gave Oklahoma State a 34-27 lead with 6:47 to go on an interception he returned 26 yards for the eventual game-winning touchdown.

Iowa State (5-3, 3-2) then stuffed Hubbard on a 4th-and-1 near midfield with just under 3 minutes left. But quarterback Brock Purdy threw another ill-advised pass that was picked off shortly thereafter -- then another interception in the final seconds that sealed the Cyclones' fate.

Iowa State was also just 5 of 16 on third downs, and Purdy gave it away three times in the fourth after throwing just four interceptions all season entering the day.

"We really didn't play Iowa State football," Iowa State coach Matt Campbell said. "The big plays obviously, the turnovers, the third downs. I think it's really hard to beat anybody, especially a good team, that way. I put that on us (as coaches)."

Oklahoma State jumped ahead 21-13 at halftime behind a 71-yard catch and run touchdown from Tylan Wallace, a 50-yard touchdown pass from Sanders to Braydon Johnson and a 65-yard scoring run from Hubbard.

Iowa State's defense stiffened in the second half, and touchdown runs of 9 and 4 yards by freshman Breece Hall pulled the Cyclones even at 27-all with 9:06 left.

Purdy, whose brilliant play has been a major reason why Iowa State has been so strong since he took over last season, fell to 9-3 against Big 12 opponents. He finished 39 of 62 passing for 382 yards.

"Interestingly, they beat themselves with a quarterback that's really, really good," Gundy said.

Tylan Wallace had eight catches for 131 yards for Oklahoma State, which racked up 34 points despite not reaching Iowa State's red zone.

Hall had 76 yards on 18 carries after posting back-to-back 100-yard games.

THE TAKEAWAY

Iowa State: The longest play the Cyclones had allowed entering the day was 46 yards, so those breakdowns were very uncharacteristic of one of the Big 12's best defenses. The league remains wide open, especially after Oklahoma and Texas lost, but Iowa State squandered a golden opportunity to move up the standings.

It's not all on Purdy though, as Iowa State ran the ball just 25 times in 88 plays.

"It's hard to be the best version of us if we're going to be that unbalanced," Campbell said.

Oklahoma State: After turning it over eight times in the past two weeks, Sanders took much better care of the ball -- though his third-quarter interception set up Hall's first touchdown run, which cut the Pokes' lead to 21-20. Still, Oklahoma State is just one win away from bowl eligibility with at least three winnable games to go. "If we open up the passing game, we open up the running game. It keeps defenses on their toes," Johnson said.

POLL IMPLICATIONS

This loss should knock Iowa State out of the Top 25.

HE SAID IT

"It just comes down to executing," Purdy said. "The fourth quarter came rolling around and we just didn't execute. I didn't play to the best of my ability when it mattered."

Final	1	2	3	4	T
OKST	7	14	3	10	34
ISU	0	13	7	7	27

Scoring Summary -----

	OKST	ISU
FIRST QUARTER		
OKST TD 6:26 Tylan Wallace 71 Yd pass from Spencer Sanders (Matt Ammendola Kick)		
4 plays, 90 yards, 1:59	7	0
SECOND QUARTER		
ISU TD 14:19 Charlie Kolar 18 Yd pass from Brock Purdy (Connor Assalley Kick)		
7 plays, 83 yards, 3:21	7	7
OKST TD 12:36 Braydon Johnson 50 Yd pass from Spencer Sanders (Matt Ammendola Kick)		
4 plays, 82 yards, 1:36	14	7
ISU FG 7:31 Connor Assalley 32 Yd Field Goal		
12 plays, 60 yards, 5:05	14	10
OKST TD 6:04 Chuba Hubbard 65 Yd Run (Matt Ammendola Kick)		
4 plays, 89 yards, 1:23	21	10
ISU FG 0:04 Connor Assalley 29 Yd Field Goal		
11 plays, 60 yards, 1:30	21	13
THIRD QUARTER		
ISU TD 10:18 Breece Hall 9 Yd Run (Connor Assalley Kick)		
2 plays, 31 yards, 0:46	21	20
OKST FG 5:46 Matt Ammendola 49 Yd Field Goal		
8 plays, 36 yards, 4:26	24	20
FOURTH QUARTER		
OKST FG 14:56 Matt Ammendola 40 Yd Field Goal		
8 plays, 58 yards, 4:02	27	20
ISU TD 9:06 Breece Hall 4 Yd Run (Connor Assalley Kick)		
11 plays, 76 yards, 5:45	27	27
OKST TD 6:47 Malcolm Rodriguez 26 Yd Interception Return (Matt Ammendola Kick)		
3 plays, 6 yards, 0:45	34	27

Team Stats	OKST	ISU
First Downs	14	30
Passes for First	6	22
Rushes for First	7	7
Penalties for First	1	1
Third Down Efficiency	2-12	5-16
Fourth Down Efficiency	0-1	1-1
Total Yards	402	468
Total Plays	55	88
Avg Gain Per Play	7.3	5.3
Net Yards Rushing	153	86
Rushes	31	25
Yards Per Rush	4.9	3.4
Net Yards Passing	249	382
Comp-Att	16-24	39-63
Yards Per Pass	10.4	6.1
Times Sacked	0	2
Yds Lost To Sacks	0	-12
Interceptions	1	3
Punts	6	6
Punt Average	41.0	43.3
Penalties	2	2
Penalty Yards	23	20
Fumbles	0	0
Fumbles Lost	0	0
Time of Poss	25:41	34:19

Individual Stats

RUSHING							
OKLAHOMA ST	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG		
Chuba Hubbard	22	116	5.3	1	65		
Spencer Sanders	8	43	5.4	0	20		
Team	1	-6	-6.0	0	0		
IOWA ST	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG		
Breece Hall	18	76	4.2	2	21		
Johnnie Lang	2	9	4.5	0	5		
Brock Purdy	5	1	0.2	0	6		
PASSING							
OKLAHOMA ST	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Spencer Sanders	16	24	249	10.4	2	1	65.6
IOWA ST	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Brock Purdy	39	62	382	6.2	1	3	42.0
Team	0	1	0	0.0	0	0	--
RECEIVING							
OKLAHOMA ST	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG		
Tylan Wallace	8	131	16.4	1	71		
Braydon Johnson	3	66	22.0	1	50		
Jelani Woods	2	33	16.5	0	30		
Chuba Hubbard	2	11	5.5	0	6		
Dillon Stoner	1	8	8.0	0	8		
IOWA ST	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG		
Deshaunte Jones	8	91	11.4	0	27		
Charlie Kolar	8	88	11.0	1	18		
La'Michael Pettway	7	63	9.0	0	18		
Breece Hall	6	42	7.0	0	23		
Landen Akers	4	39	9.8	0	15		
Chase Allen	2	22	11.0	0	22		
Tarique Milton	1	14	14.0	0	14		
Dylan Soehner	1	13	13.0	0	13		
Sean Shaw Jr.	1	7	7.0	0	7		
Johnnie Lang	1	3	3.0	0	3		