

## Virginia Postgame Notes – Boston College (10/5/24)

### Virginia Team Notes

- Virginia is 4-1 for the first time since 2019 and the sixth time since 1999 – 2019 (4-1), 2017 (4-1), 2007 (4-1), 2004 (5-0), 2003 (4-1).
- UVA is 2-0 to start ACC play for the first time since 2019.
- Virginia has back-to-back ACC games for the first time since 2021 (vs. Duke 48-0 & vs. Georgia Tech 48-40).
- Virginia improved to 2-7 in the all-time series against BC and is now 2-2 against the Eagles at Scott Stadium.
- The Cavaliers erased a 14-point deficit, the second time this season (at Wake Forest) UVA has overcome a 14-point lead to win. It marked the first 14+ point comeback at Scott Stadium since 2019 when they trailed 17-0 against ODU after two quarters.
- UVA is now 2-0 this season when trailing after the first quarter and 2-0 when trailing at the half.
- UVA held BC scoreless over the last 43:07 of the game and scored 24 unanswered points.
- Virginia scored 18 points in the fourth quarter, the most since Louisville in 2021. Coming into the game, Boston College had not allowed a fourth quarter offensive touchdown.
- The Cavaliers scored 18 points in the fourth quarter, the most in the final stanza since 2021 at Louisville.
- UVA has not turned the ball over in back-to-back games for the first time since 2019.
- Virginia recognized members of its 1989 co-ACC championship team in between the first and second quarters. The '89 team finished with an overall record of 10-3 and its 10 wins are still a school single-season record.

### Virginia Individual Player Notes

- Malachi Fields led the Cavaliers with four receptions for 63 yards and scored his third touchdown of the season. All three scores have come in the last two games. Fields has a reception in 20-straight games.
- Fields completed a 29-yard pass to Kobe Pace in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. It was UVA's first completion for a first down by a non-quarterback since 2021 at Illinois (Dontayvion Wicks to Brennan Armstrong for 18 yards). Fields' completion was the longest by a non-quarterback since Perry Jones' 36-yard completion in 2012 to Tim Smith against Louisiana Tech.
- Chico Bennett recorded his first career interception. Today marked his 41<sup>st</sup> career collegiate football game (25 at UVA, 16 at GT). The pick was the first by a UVA defensive lineman since David Dean against Virginia Tech in 2014.
- Jonas Sanker scored his first career touchdown on a 40-yard fumble return in the fourth quarter. It was UVA's first fumble recovery for a touchdown since Eli Hanback recovered a fumble in the end zone to seal UVA's victory over Virginia Tech in 2019.
- In the first quarter, Terrell Jones (0.5) and Anthony Britton (0.5) teamed up to record their first career tackle-for-loss. It was Britton's first career start.
- Kendren Smith logged his third career interception and his first as a Cavalier. He added five tackles (2 solo) and one pass break-up.

- Daniel Sparks' 62-yard punt in the first quarter is his season long and his eighth career punt of at least 60 yards.