Virginia Postgame Notes – Louisville (10/12/24)

Virginia Team Notes

• Louisville won its third-straight meeting against Virginia and improved to 8-5 all-time against the Cavaliers.

• Four of the last six matchups between UVA and Louisville have been decided by one score.

• Louisville's go-ahead touchdown with 1:55 remaining in the game was the first points by a UVA opponent in the fourth quarter since Coastal Carolina on Sept. 21, a span of 37:10.

• The 24 points scored by Louisville matched a season low. Coming into the game, Louisville ranked 21st in the nation in offensive scoring (38.6 ppg).

• Virginia held Louisville to a season-low 231 yards passing. The Cardinals entered Saturday's contest as the nation's No. 13 team in passing offense (303.4 ypg).

• For the first time since 2019 (North Carolina, Georgia Tech, Liberty), Virginia tallied its third straight game with no turnovers.

• UVA is outscoring opponents 45-27 in the fourth quarter this season.

• Virginia trailed by as many as 10 points and took the lead 20-17 with 10:03 remaining in the game. It marked the third double-digit deficit UVA has overcome this season (14 points vs. Wake Forest & 14 points vs. Boston College).

• UVA's first touchdown (1-yard rush by Grady Brosterhous) with 9:39 left in the first quarter marked its first opening-drive score in ACC play this season. It was also the Cavaliers' first since opening-drive touchdown since their season opener against Richmond.

• The last time UVA recorded a touchdown on its first drive was against Miami in 2023.

• The Hoos have won 2 of their last 3 games when scoring on the opening drive.

• Virginia opened the game with an 11-play, 75-yard touchdown drive that ended with a Grady Brosterhous 1-yard plunge. It was the longest (by time, 5:21) touchdown drive by UVA to open a game since 2018 (vs. North Carolina). It was also the ninth time this season UVA has put together a scoring drive of 75 or more yards.

• Virginia outgained Louisville 449-408 in total offense and 301-231 in passing yards, which marks the second-straight season UVA outgained the Cardinals in total offense and passing.

• The Cavaliers have had more passing yards in each of the last three meetings against Louisville.

Virginia Individual Player Notes

• Wideout Malachi Fields finished with nine catches for 129 receiving yards, his third 100-yard game of the season, and third of his career. Fields surpassed 1,500 receiving yards for his career and has now caught a pass in 21 consecutive games.

• Tight end Tyler Neville eclipsed a career high with seven catches and added 64 receiving yards, three shy of matching a season best.

• Quarterback Anthony Colandrea was 26-for-45 passing with 279 yards and a touchdown. He also ran for 84 yards, only five yards short of his career high, which he set against Louisville in last season.

• Colandrea's 279 yards passing are his third-highest output of the season. He now has 11, 200yard passing games in his career, including four this season.

• Linebacker Kam Robinson has a sack in three of his last four games and leads the team with three on the season. His sack came on third down with 11:47 remaining and forced Louisville to kick a 41-yard field goal which missed wide to right. Robinson finished with eight tackles (six solo) and a career-high two tackles for loss.

• Running back Xavier Brown caught a 46-yard touchdown pass, his first TD reception of his career and longest reception of his career. It was UVA's fourth-longest play from scrimmage this season.

• Kam Butler tallied his 50th career start. He also served as a game captain.

• Quarterback Grady Brosterhous recorded his team-leading fourth rushing touchdown of the season. He has four touchdowns on nine attempts this season.

• True freshman Ethan Minter recorded his first career interception. It marks the second straight season a UVA true freshman recorded a pick (2023: Kam Robinson – 2; Caleb Hardy – 1; Dre Walker – 1).