



## 2019 Phillips 66 Big 12 Baseball Championship

### OKLAHOMA STATE POSTGAME QUOTES – Game 12 Chickasaw Bricktown Ballpark: May 25, 2019

#### No. 6 TCU 13, No. 3 Oklahoma State 6

##### Oklahoma State Head Coach Josh Holliday

###### *Opening statement...*

“Obviously, it was a much different game than the ones we’ve played at this point. Give TCU a lot of credit. The young man that started for them has been one of the best pitchers in the Big 12 for a number of years during his career. He’s fought through some injuries and he pitched a really fine game as well. He was more competitive pitch-to-pitch than we were and we weren’t able to match him. Hats off to Jared Janczak. We weren’t sharp, there were too many mistakes made. That’s on me as a coach. I didn’t have the kids as ready to play as I should have. We’ll work on that. I do appreciate the effort very much. I thought the way that Noah Sifrit came into the game in relief was key to us. He gave us a chance to get back in the game. Cade hits a grand slam and next thing you know, it’s 6 to 6. But, we made a mistake or two here and there and then to their credit, they banged the ball around the yard. We have a good team and we can’t let one game or mistake let self-doubt creep in. Conference tournaments are challenging and sometimes a game like that is part of the conference tournament experience. We just have to move past it quickly and get ready to play those guys again tonight.”

###### *On the possibility of playing at home in the postseason...*

“That would be special. That was something that was thrown out there as a nugget to plant a positive seed and try to grow it in the back of the kids’ minds. All along that is something that we wanted. We don’t want to get too far ahead worrying about things like that because the boys believe that the good teams are the ones who make it the furthest and the ones who focus on the now and not get caught up in things like that. That would be a great reward for this particular group of kids if that happens because there is some really special people on this team. What you’re watching Colin Simpson do...he’s the best power hitter that’s played here in quite some time. He’s a very special kid and we’ll have a really hard time replacing him as a person. Obviously, him the player is pretty awesome, but him the person is equal parts a treat to be around. To see something like that for them to be able to do that at Reynolds Stadium would mean a lot because it would be another chapter in their experience at Oklahoma State. That would be a great deal for them.”

###### *On managing the pitching in the game...*

“I thought Coach Walton managed it well. We got behind and had to try to bridge the gap. We tried to use a couple different kids. Noah did the best job of keeping us in it. Mitchell did a nice job. When we got tied in the eighth inning, we went to our closer hoping to put up a zero so we could come back in the bottom of the eighth hoping to come back for the win. It didn’t happen that way. That’s baseball. From there, you have to get Ben out knowing you’re going to need him again. Then, we went to Nate and John, but that’s the game and we have a number of quality pitchers ready to pitch tonight’s game. We had to manage it that way. You have to be smart about who you use when you’re ahead and who you use when you’re behind.”



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TCU Head Coach Jim Schlossnagle

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“I couldn’t be more excited for Jared Janczak. What an incredible competitor. Nobody deserves this more than he does. He’s overcome so much and I never had any doubt that he was going to step up and compete at the absolute highest level when we needed him the most.”