

UTEP MINERS FOOTBALL

UTEP at Nebraska | 1:30 p.m. MT | Saturday, Aug. 31, 2024 | Memorial Stadium (82,241) | Lincoln, Neb.

POSTGAME NOTES

GAME NOTES

FINAL: UTEP 7, Nebraska 40

- Announced attendance was 86,072

QUICK HITS

- UTEP opened its 107th season of football on Saturday.
- The Miners opened at a power conference opponent for the first time since the 2017 season.

BLUE BLAZE OFFENSE

- QB **Skyler Locklear** in his first collegiate start. Locklear completed his first five pass attempts for 59 yards and a score.
- For Locklear, it's his second career collegiate touchdown pass after throwing one last year while at Austin Peay.
- Locklear added a collegiate career-best 15 yards rushing, and tallied a career-long 11-yard rush in the third quarter.
- MB **Kam Thomas** scored his first FBS touchdown in the first quarter on a 38-yard reception.

ORANGE SWARM DEFENSE

- Senior LB **Dorian Hopkins**, a transfer from Tulsa, recovered a fumble in the second quarter. It was his first collegiate fumble recovery.
- Hopkins was credited with a collegiate career-high 16 tackles. His previous best was eight tackles in 2023 while at Tulsa.
- NT **Sione Tonga'uiha** recorded his first career full sack in the second quarter. He had .5 a sack versus NM State in 2023.
- Spur **Kory Chapman** tallied 10 tackles in his UTEP debut, making it his fifth double-digit effort in his collegiate career.
- S **Landon Hullaby** tallied his first career forced fumble and added three tackles in his UTEP debut.

WEFENSE

- P **Adam Jacklin** punted six times for 235 yards (39.2 avg.), including a long of 41 yards and one inside the 20.
- PR **Kam Thomas** returned a punt 29 yards.