

# COLORADO BUFFALOES

## ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS



## Postgame Notes: Colorado 27, Arizona State 24

**Leaders:** QB Shedeur Sanders, DL Shane Cokes // Dawgs: PK Jace Feely

**Attendance:** 54,086. This is the sixth-straight game CU has played in front of a sellout crowd, believed to be the longest stretch of games in program history. The 1996 season saw the Buffs play in front of five straight sellouts to open the season including road games at Colorado State and Texas A&M before a game at Kansas was not sold out in Week 6.

**Temperature:** 99 degrees officially at kickoff. It's tied for third-hottest game in program history. The only two games warmer were both 102 degrees, here at Arizona State in 2007 and at Fresno State in 2012. The other 99-degree game came at UCLA at the Rose Bowl in 2002. It is the hottest October kickoff in school history, topping 94 degrees at Kansas State on Oct. 5, 1963.

### With the win ...

- CU improved to 4-2 on the season and 1-2 in Pac-12 play.
- CU broke a two-game losing streak to the Sun Devils but have won four of the last seven dating back to 2016.
- CU is now 723-538-36 in 1,297 games played.
- CU has matched its win total of both 2020 (4-2) and 2021 (4-8) after finishing 1-11 last season.

### QB Shedeur Sanders

- Sanders was 26-of-42 passing for 239 yards with one touchdown and no interceptions. Taking out his five sacks, he ran the ball six times for 34 yards and another score.
- He orchestrated his third fourth-quarter comeback of the season, already matching the ninth-best in a CU career and one away from team season-highs of four by John Hessler (1995) and Joel Klatt (2004). CU was down 17-14 entering the fourth quarter.
- Sanders was 6-of-10 passing for 83 yards and one touchdown in the fourth quarter.
- Sanders converted on a 4<sup>th</sup>-and-8 in the first quarter, hitting Dylan Edwards for 15 yards on CU's first scoring drive of the game. He is now 5-of-5 passing for 99 yards and two touchdowns with five first down conversions on fourth down this season.

### WR/TE Javon Antonio

- Targeted five times and caught all five passes for 81 yards and a touchdown, including a clutch 43-yard catch on the game's final drive to set up the game-winning field goal. All three numbers are new CU highs for him.
- Surpassed the 100 career catch mark, now with 103 catches for 1,328 yards. It was his 11<sup>th</sup> career touchdown reception.

### P Mark Vassett

- Had his best game putting of the season, averaging 49.6 yards on seven punts.
- Five of the seven punts went for 50-plus yards with two inside the 20
- Had his two best punts of the season with kicks of 60 and 59 yards

### WR Xavier Weaver

- First punt return of the season went for 51 yards, setting up a field goal that put CU up 24-17 midway through the fourth quarter
- Had the first rushing touchdown of his career.

### ILB LaVonta Bentley

- Game-high 11 tackles, including two for loss, a sack and one pass breakup.
- It's the second-highest tackle total of his career and most at CU, also hitting double figures against Georgia Tech for Clemson in 2021. That was also the only other game of his career with two tackles for loss.
- He now has 2.5 tackles for loss this season and 25 total tackles

