



## 39<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL TOSTITOS FIESTA BOWL

# BOISE STATE vs. TCU

**Date:** Monday, January 4, 2010  
**Site:** University of Phoenix Stadium (73,000)  
**Kickoff:** 6:00 p.m. MST (8:00 p.m. EST)  
**Television:** FOX Sports (Sam Rosen, Tim Ryan, Chris Meyers)  
**Radio:** ESPN Radio (Brad Nessler, Todd Blackledge, Erin Andrews)  
Boise State Radio (Bob Behler, Pete Cavender)  
TCU Radio (Brian Estridge, John Denton, Sean Stilley)  
**Series:** 1-1

### Team Information

Boise State will be the visiting team and will use the west bench. The Broncos will wear white jerseys. TCU will be the home team and will use the east bench. TCU will wear dark jerseys.

### BSU-TCU All-Time Series

Boise State and TCU have met only twice; both meetings occurred in bowl games. They collided last season (December 23, 2008) in the San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl. The Horned Frogs won a thrilling 17-16 decision. Boise State prevailed 34-31 in the first meeting on December 23, 2003 in the PlainsCapital Fort Worth Bowl on TCU's home turf.

### This Season

Boise State and TCU both finished the regular season with unblemished records and conference championships. The 13-0 Broncos won the Western Athletic Conference title; the 12-0 Horned Frogs were champions of the Mountain West Conference.

## Game-By-Game

| <u>Boise State (13-0, 8-0 WAC)</u> |                  |   |       | <u>TCU (12-0, 8-0 MWC)</u> |                   |   |       |
|------------------------------------|------------------|---|-------|----------------------------|-------------------|---|-------|
| 09/03                              | Oregon           | W | 19-8  | 09/12                      | @ Virginia        | W | 30-14 |
| 09/12                              | Miami (OH)       | W | 48-0  | 09/19                      | Texas State       | W | 56-21 |
| 09/18                              | @ Fresno State   | W | 51-34 | 09/26                      | @ Clemson         | W | 14-10 |
| 09/26                              | @ Bowling Green  | W | 49-14 | 10/03                      | SMU               | W | 39-14 |
| 10/03                              | UC-Davis         | W | 34-16 | 10/14                      | @ Air Force       | W | 20-17 |
| 10/14                              | @ Tulsa          | W | 28-21 | 10/17                      | Colorado State    | W | 44-6  |
| 10/24                              | @ Hawaii         | W | 54-9  | 10/24                      | BYU               | W | 38-7  |
| 10/31                              | San Jose State   | W | 45-7  | 10/31                      | UNLV              | W | 41-0  |
| 11/06                              | @ Louisiana Tech | W | 45-35 | 11/07                      | @ San Diego State | W | 55-12 |
| 11/14                              | Idaho            | W | 63-25 | 11/14                      | Utah              | W | 55-28 |
| 11/20                              | @ Utah State     | W | 52-21 | 11/21                      | @ Wyoming         | W | 45-10 |
| 11/27                              | Nevada           | W | 44-33 | 11/28                      | New Mexico        | W | 51-10 |
| 12/05                              | New Mexico State | W | 42-7  |                            |                   |   |       |

### Boise State Thumbnail

During their “Decade of Dominance” since 1999, the Broncos boast a 121-20 composite record for a .858 winning percentage that leads the nation over the span. The Tostitos Fiesta Bowl will be Boise State’s 10<sup>th</sup> bowl appearance and second BCS appearance in the past four seasons. The Broncos ride into the Valley of the Sun after posting their 12<sup>th</sup> consecutive winning season, ninth conference championship, ninth season of 10 or more victories, eighth consecutive season ranked in the Top 25, seventh Western Athletic Conference championship, sixth season with 11 or more wins, fourth Top 10 BCS ranking, and fourth undefeated regular season. The Broncos finished sixth in the final 2009 BCS standings.

### TCU Thumbnail

The Horned Frogs are enjoying their highest ranking since they were fourth in 1956. TCU’s fourth-place position in the final 2009 BCS standings is the highest by a school from a conference without an automatic BCS bid. TCU has been ranked in the polls for 25 consecutive weeks. TCU claimed its first Mountain West Conference championship in 2005. Its 2009 title is the school’s 15<sup>th</sup> conference championship. The Horned Frogs are 12-0 for the first time in school history. TCU has won 11 or more games in five of the past seven campaigns. The Frogs boast a 14-game winning streak, second longest in the nation behind Texas (17). TCU is one of five undefeated teams, joining Alabama, Boise State, Cincinnati and Texas. TCU is one of 19 schools to win multiple national championships (1935, ’38) and produce a Heisman Trophy winner (Davey O’Brien, 1938).

### Boise State Broncos in the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl

The Broncos make their second appearance in the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl. In their first, ninth-ranked Boise State shocked the college football world with a 43-42 overtime victory against seventh-ranked Oklahoma, one of the most celebrated college football games in history.

| <u>Date</u>     | <u>Score</u>                     |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| January 1, 2007 | Boise State 43, Oklahoma 42 (OT) |

### TCU Horned Frogs in the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl

The Frogs make their first appearance in the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl.

### **Boise State Head Coach Chris Petersen**

Chris Petersen completes his fourth season as BSU's head coach, sporting a 48-4 (.923) composite record. In Western Athletic Conference games, Petersen is 31-1 (.969). He has led the Broncos to three conference championships (2006, '08, '09). In his first season as a head coach in 2006, Petersen led the Broncos to their first undefeated season since 1958, their first BCS bowl berth, their fifth consecutive WAC title, and became the first coach in history to win 13 games in his first year as the head coach of an FBS team. He has led Boise State to bowl games (2007 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl, 2007 Sheraton Hawaii Bowl, 2008 San Diego County Poinsettia Bowl) in each of his first four seasons as a head coach.

### **TCU Head Coach Gary Patterson**

Gary Patterson, the dean of Mountain West Conference coaches, completed his ninth season at the Horned Frogs' helm in 2009 with his sixth campaign of 10 or more wins in the past eight years, and his fifth of 11 or more victories in the past seven seasons. He entered 2009 with a 73-27 (.730) composite record, the best mark of any TCU head coach after 100 games, after previously reaching 50 wins faster than any coach in school history. His slate currently stands at 85-27 (.759). Patterson's 85 wins rank second in TCU annals, trailing only Dutch Meyer (109). Also the Frogs' defensive coordinator for three seasons (1998-2000) before his promotion to head coach, TCU has made 11 bowl appearances in Patterson's 12 years on campus. He has led the Horned Frogs to four consecutive bowl victories. TCU is 7-3 in bowl games since Patterson has been on campus and 5-3 since Patterson has been the head coach.

### **Rankings**

|           | <b>Boise State</b> |               |                |           | <b>TCU</b> |               |                |
|-----------|--------------------|---------------|----------------|-----------|------------|---------------|----------------|
|           | <b>BCS</b>         | <b>Harris</b> | <b>Coaches</b> |           | <b>BCS</b> | <b>Harris</b> | <b>Coaches</b> |
| Preseason | -                  | -             | 16             | Preseason | -          | -             | 17             |
| Sept. 6   | -                  | -             | 11             | Sept. 6   | -          | -             | 16             |
| Sept. 13  | -                  | -             | 10             | Sept. 13  | -          | -             | 15             |
| Sept. 20  | -                  | -             | 8              | Sept. 20  | -          | -             | 14             |
| Sept. 27  | -                  | 5             | 5              | Sept. 27  | -          | 11            | 10             |
| Oct. 4    | -                  | 5             | 6              | Oct. 4    | -          | 10            | 9              |
| Oct. 11   | -                  | 5             | 6              | Oct. 11   | -          | 10            | 8              |
| Oct. 18   | 4                  | 5             | 5              | Oct. 18   | 8          | 8             | 7              |
| Oct. 25   | 7                  | 5             | 5              | Oct. 25   | 6          | 7             | 6              |
| Nov. 1    | 7                  | 4             | 5              | Nov. 1    | 6          | 6             | 4              |
| Nov. 8    | 6                  | 6             | 6              | Nov. 8    | 4          | 4             | 4              |
| Nov. 15   | 6                  | 6             | 6              | Nov. 15   | 4          | 4             | 4              |
| Nov. 22   | 6                  | 6             | 6              | Nov. 22   | 4          | 4             | 4              |
| Nov. 29   | 6                  | 6             | 6              | Nov. 29   | 4          | 4             | 4              |
| Dec. 6    | 6                  | 6             | 6              | Dec.6     | 4          | 3             | 3              |

### **The Sponsorship**

Tostitos is in its 15<sup>th</sup> year as the title sponsor of the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl.

### **Payouts**

The five non-automatic qualifying conferences (Conference USA, Mid-American, Mountain West, Sun Belt and Western Athletic Conference) will collectively receive approximately \$23.8 million as a result of the participation of Boise State University and Texas Christian University in the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl.

### **Network Television**

FOX Sports will televise the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl nationally. Sam Rosen (play-by-play), Tim Ryan (color analyst) and Chris Meyers (sideline reporter) describe the action. The telecast can be seen locally on Fox 10.

### **Radio**

ESPN Radio will broadcast the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl nationally with Brad Nessler (play-by-play) and Todd Blackledge (color analysis) calling the action from the booth and Erin Andrews (sideline reporter) offering sideline commentary. The broadcast can be heard locally on Sports 620 KTAR.