

Free Picks – November 18th Weekend

We easily cashed our pro football pick last weekend and opened the NBA season with a bang, riding the red-hot Dallas Mavs all the way to the bank. Hop on board as we pick up a tasty NBA dog, an emotional NCAA football win, and crafty NHL and NFL picks as well.

Kansas State coach Bill Snyder is calling it quits after nearly two decades, and we're predicting the team rallies to give him an emotional send-off party. They picked up an ATS victory as the road dog last week, keeping the game close against a Nebraska team many (including us) picked to blow them away. They have showed that they can handle pumped-up opponents; now let's see what having their own emotional edge can do. Missouri is going to a bowl, but only because they've been feasting on weak teams. We have yet to be convinced that they can beat a fired-up team when it counts. Brad Smith is a stud for Missouri, but our prediction is that Bill Snyder and his staff find a way to limit Smith's productivity.

At the current price, we'd be silly not to jump on the Kansas State train and reason that Snyder's emotional send-off can pad our bankroll. Lots of key edges here, **take Kansas State ATS.**

Things are looking grim for the Philadelphia Eagles. T.O. provides a continuing soap opera, Donovan McNabb is gimpy, and the team is reeling. With inexperience all over the field, will they be able to stay within a TD of New York? Our research says no. Eli Manning had a rough time against Minnesota last week, but we predict he'll recover and go to work against the Eagles. The NYG running game looked sharp, and after losing the way they did last week to Dallas, we'll be surprised if the Eagles play with the confidence in third-stringer Mike McMahon that they'd need to keep this one close. **Play New York.**

In NHL action, the New York Islanders play the second game of a back-to-back tonight and we're expecting them to show signs of fatigue after erupting for seven goals against the team-formerly-known-as-the-Atlanta-Thrashers. The Tampa Bay Lightning have been on a bit of a streak themselves, going "over" in their last two games, and pasting 5 goals against the Flyers on Monday. Look for these two tired teams to show some offensive pep but lack the defensive focus to control the other team. **Play Over 6.5.**

Finally, we present one of the tastiest dogs we could find in NBA action. Also a Thursday game this week, Washington (5-2) heads to Minnesota (3-4) somehow as a 4.5 point underdog. KG is averaging less than 10 boards a game for the first time since 1998, the Wolves are dead last in rebounding, and the Wizards are finally playing some D, ranking third in the league in scoring differential. Both teams are coming off losses, but the Wizards played tough against a Cavs team many expect to make noise in the playoffs, and the T'Wolves got embarrassed by the Rockets, a far inferior team. Go with the road dogs, and **Play Washington.**

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