



Cary High School  
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For Immediate Release:

After an extensive search, Cary High School has selected one of its own, Coach Coleman Tyrance, to be the new head football coach.

Tyrance has served as defensive coordinator and defensive line coach at Cary High since 2018 and is uniquely prepared to take over the reins from Coach Jason Wilkes, who stepped down in April to serve as the first head football coach at Willow Spring High School.

Cary athletic director Ryan Rodgers stated: "We are extremely pleased that Coach Tyrance will be able to immediately assume his new role as Cary High head football coach, in addition to serving within the Cary High School faculty as a teacher in the CTE department. With his deep roots in the Cary community and extensive experience with our football program and other student activities, we are confident he will work tirelessly to expand the program on the field, while bringing out the best from our athletes, student body, parents, and the community as a whole. But there is more to it than that – recommendations for his selection have poured in from boosters, staff, teachers, and especially our student athletes. Even in the short time since I was selected as athletic director, I have been overwhelmed by the expressions of love and support for Coach Tyrance that I've heard from the entire Cary High community."

Coach Tyrance knows football and has a storied past and extensive experience as both a player and a coach. He has played for current Carolina Panthers Head Coach Matt Rule and current Georgia Tech Head Coach Geoff Collins. He was a defensive tackle at Western Carolina University, where he graduated in 2003 with a degree in sports management. Prior to his collegiate career, Coach Tyrance was a two-year All-State defensive lineman at Cardinal Gibbons of Raleigh. And prior to joining the staff at Cary three years ago, he served as the defensive line coach at Apex High School and Hargrave Military Academy, and as an assistant coach at Cardinal Gibbons from 2006-2009.

"His lifelong experience and passion for the game will serve us well," Rodgers said.

Coach Tyrance is thrilled about his new position and feels right at home. He stated, "I am thankful for the opportunity to continue the success here at Cary High School. Thank you to our administration and our new athletic director, Ryan Rodgers. We have an amazing, diverse school, a great administration, and remarkable teachers. Most importantly, our alumni and community need to know that at Cary High School, we have talented students that will become long-lasting leaders in our society."

Last season, Cary finished with a .500 record, posting a 3-3 mark. The Imps have steadily improved in conference play under Coach Wilkes' leadership over the past three seasons, and are expected to return several of last seasons' starters and make a strong run in the 2021 season.

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