

Urban Meyer Will Retire After The Rose Bowl 2019

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Ohio State Buckeyes Head Coach, Urban Meyer, is planning on retiring after the Buckeyes play in the Rose Bowl against Washington. The new Buckeye coach will be the current offensive coordinator and quarterback coach, Ryan Day. Urban Meyer, age 54, has decided to retire due to health reasons, primarily a cyst on his brain. In 2014 he underwent surgery because of this reason but still takes some medicine to deal with issues that still stand. Although the surgery has helped him for the past few years, these last couple of games have caused a lot of stress on Urban Meyer and these issues have started to recur.

Urban Meyer was born in Toledo, Ohio, on July 10th, 1964. Urban graduated from the University of Cincinnati and the Ohio State University. Urban Meyer played as defensive back at Cincinnati until he graduated in 1986. After he graduated from Cincinnati he was hired by Ohio State Coach Earle Bruce as a graduate assistant. He spent two years working as a graduate assistant for Earle Bruce before he spent 1988 and 1989 as an assistant coach at Illinois State. Urban Meyer's first opportunity came as the wide receiver coach at Colorado State. Meyer spent six seasons in that position with the Rams.

After Urban Meyer was with the Rams, he was hired at Notre Dame under Lou Holtz. Meyer ended up getting his job because of Lou's son, Skip, who knew Urban Meyer from his years at Colorado. Meyer remained on the Fighting Irish staff when Holtz was replaced in 1997 by Bob Davie, and he continued working for him until 2000. Meyer was later hired by a Bowling Green program just coming off of a two win season in 2000. Shortly after being hired Meyer turned the Falcons into a Mid-American Conference contender. Because of Urban, Bowling

Green won 8 games his first year and 9 games the following year ,which made Urban's winning percentage 73.9%, the second best in program history.

Subsequently, Urban moved to Utah and became a member of the Mountain West Conference and also turned them into a conference and national contender. After Urban went 10-2 and secured a spot in the Top 25 in 2003, he ended up earning a spot on the Bowl Championship Series.

Ryan Day is thirty-nine years old and will be the new Buckeyes head coach. Ryan was born in Manchester, New Hampshire on March 12th, 1979. Ryan began his coaching career in 2002, and has coached ever since then. Urban Meyer said he had no trouble figuring out who the new coach would be because Ryan has worked with Urban Meyer and Meyer knows that he can trust Ryan. Ryan is very close to the team and has been a substitute coach for the Buckeyes before with a 3-0 record for the first three games of the season.