

**Herman Edwards**  
Former NFL Head Coach, Current ESPN Analyst

Whether it is his faith, his family or his football team, Herman Edwards exudes passion in all areas of his life. That energetic and enthusiastic approach best defines how he approaches his new role as in-studio NFL analyst for ESPN.

Edwards uses his diverse background in pro football to be one of the most informed and educated analysts on television today. Most recently, Edwards spoke at the NFL Rookie Symposium and was also featured on ESPN's 'Back to School' segment in which he returned to his high school alma mater to coach for a day.

The Fort Monmouth, New Jersey native enjoyed a 10-year professional playing career from '77-'86, spending the first nine of those seasons with the Philadelphia Eagles. He earned second-team All-NFC honors in '80 and played an instrumental role on a hard-hitting Philadelphia defense that helped boost the Eagles to a berth in Super Bowl XV that season. He totaled 33 interceptions for 98 yards with one TD during his tenure with that franchise. His 33 career INTs rank as the third-best in Eagles history, just one from the team record of 34.

Edwards concluded his NFL playing career in 1986 and secured his first job with the Kansas City Chiefs in '89 as the recipient of the club's Minority Coaching Fellowship. Edwards is the first graduate of the fellowship to become the head coach of the franchise for which he served his fellowship.

Beginning his coaching career as defensive backs coach at San Jose State ('87-'89), Edwards later returned to Kansas City as the defensive backs coach from '92-'94. After a one-year stint as a pro personnel scout with Kansas City in '95, Edwards moved with Tony Dungy to Tampa Bay in '96.

In 2001 Edwards departed Tampa Bay to become head coach of the New York Jets. In five seasons as the Jets head coach, Edwards compiled a 39-41 record. Edwards was on the sideline for five postseason contests with the Jets, the best total of any coach in team annals. He registered 35 victories with the Jets from '01-'04, tying Joe Walton ('83-'86) for the most regular season wins by any coach in his initial four years with the team. Edwards also led the N.Y. Jets to the postseason in his first campaign with the squad.

Edwards rejoined the Chiefs in 2006, becoming the first head coach in franchise history to guide Kansas City to the playoffs in his initial season with the club. In his debut campaign, Edwards posted a 9-7 overall record, tying the mark of most victories by a first-year coach in franchise history.

Throughout his career, Edwards has used his position in the league to serve as a positive role model. He and his wife Lia are involved in numerous charitable efforts and philanthropic endeavors. In 2002, Edwards was named the Big Brother of the Year by the Catholic Big Brothers For Boys and Girls in New York. Edwards was appointed as a charter member of the Fritz Pollard Alliance in 2003, which serves as a conduit between NFL minority coaches and

league executives. He was also named to the Positive Coaching Alliance's National Advisory Committee that year. Since returning to Kansas City and establishing a home base, Edwards has reconnected with the local Boys & Girls Clubs. He has also been an active participant in the All Pro Dad initiative, a parenting program that has received national recognition. The Edwards' are also active supporters of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation in Kansas City.

Edwards began his hands-on participation in supporting charitable causes as a player, founding the Herm Edwards Youth Foundation in '85. For 11 years, the Youth Foundation hosted the Herm Edwards Charity Golf Classic and raised funds for the Boys & Girls Club in Seaside, California. Wanting to make an even more direct impact on the lives of underprivileged children on the Monterey Peninsula in California through his foundation, Edwards solicited the support of his friends and family, as well as players and coaches throughout the league, to conduct The Herm Edwards Youth Football Camp. In June of this year, Edwards brought his camp to Seaside, CA.