
Why Bronco must remain as HC for at least 10 years

Posted by allcoug - 2008/01/16 11:55

I would guess that nearly 100% of Cougar fans are supportive of Bronco as our HC. I know that all of us on this forum are very happy with not only the success of the program but, more importantly, the direction of the program.

But everything that Bronco has established is still in its infancy. If he were to leave, for any reason, within the next 2 or 3 years I believe it would devastate BYU football. The reason is that there are no potential successors that can do what Bronco is doing. Even someone from the current coaching would be a cheap imitation of Bronco at this point. I believe the successor to Bronco will need to be someone who has played under him at BYU. But there won't be anyone ready for at least 10 years (but by that time we should have a great pool of former players to choose from). If Bronco can continue to make the program better each year he will have built a real "program" in ten years that will have his fingerprints all over it. And at this point my leading candidate to take over for Bronco is...

Cameron Jensen!

I don't expect Bronco to stay as long as LaVell, but here's hoping for at least 10 more years.

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Posted by stuckinbig10country - 2008/01/16 13:59

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Posted by raidingtombs - 2008/01/16 18:09

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Sorry, but I don't think any of them would be able to out-Mendenhall Coach Mendenhall. I hope we don't have to worry about this subject for many years.

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Posted by Ball4 - 2008/01/16 19:29

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It won't be Holmgren...I know he coached with Lavell in the mid 80's, but I don't think he is LDS, I could be wrong about that, but nonetheless...a requirement for the BYU HC.

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Re:Why Bronco must remain as HC for at least 10 ye

Posted by cougman - 2008/01/16 21:24

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Re:Why Bronco must remain as HC for at least 10 ye

Posted by Songaike - 2008/01/16 22:00

So easy to judge people when they are constantly under mike. I would hate to have everyone here what I say all the time. I guess I could talk like many do on this sit: frick, flip, etc., but really if it's just a substitute word, use it.

Holmgren would be great for BYU, but he is great at Seattle. I don't know why he would go to BYU IF invited, and based on this type of comment, I don't know why Bronco would stay.

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Re:Why Bronco must remain as HC for at least 10 ye

Posted by gmj81 - 2008/01/16 22:09

No, I think you guys have got it wrong. Holmgren was a coach at BYU (and is LDS), Andy Reid was a player and a coaching assistant I believe, Billick was a BYU TE (though not LDS), and Belichick also spent time roaming the BYU sidelines as I recall.

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Re:Why Bronco must remain as HC for at least 10 ye

Posted by etyotx - 2008/01/16 22:16

Holmgren's nephew served in my mission (was trained by my favorite companion). I'm certain Mike Holmgren is LDS.

BTW, those of you worried about swearing should probably note that most of our players and coaches let 4-letter words fly all the time. I've never heard Bronco swear-I think he just chews his lip (coach could use some serious chapstick).

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P.S. Wear earplugs to intramural football and basketball.

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Posted by nuk13 - 2008/01/16 22:37

Brian Billic was a 6'5" 235lb. tight end somewhere around the late 70s early 80s. I don't know about his religion.

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Re:Why Bronco must remain as HC for at least 10 years

Posted by stuckinbig10country - 2008/01/17 07:57

I didn't think that Holmgren was LDS, but it seems pretty clear that he is. I don't know how active (kind of hard to be active when your job is on Sunday), he is. That's an interesting little tidbit.

Bellick is/was LDS. He is not active, and I'm pretty sure he married outside of the church. I heard him on a national talk radio show, and he said something about being Mormon. I know that's hearsay, and could lead to some mormon myths, but I actually heard it. This was also discussed on local radio around the time that LaVell retired. Bellick and Mike Leach (Texas Tech) were thrown into the same boat as being LDS with BYU ties, but no longer active in the church, and thus would not be considered for the position in all likelihood.

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Re:Why Bronco must remain as HC for at least 10 years

Posted by cszjr - 2008/01/17 08:09

Billick transferred from AFA to BYU and was a TE from 74-76 where he was all-WAC and honorable All-American. He is not LDS.

Holmgren played at USC. He is not LDS either (or he is not active). But he did coach QB's at BYU from 82-85.

Belichick never played or coached at BYU.

Re:Why Bronco must remain as HC for at least 10 years

Posted by frodo56 - 2008/01/17 08:58

Miss-information abounds.

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Re:Why Bronco must remain as HC for at least 10 ye

Posted by Hawkwing - 2008/01/17 09:00

Holmgren is definitely not LDS, although he is a Christian. In fact, he shares his testimony here.

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Posted by ND/BYU - 2008/01/17 09:38

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What have you heard? I have not heard that they would be interested. Just curious.

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Re:Why Bronco must remain as HC for at least 10 years

Posted by jaga97 - 2008/01/17 10:07

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Posted by Phillycougar - 2008/01/17 10:25

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Posted by WinnemuccaCougar - 2008/01/17 11:48

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I know that football is over and that we don't have a lot of sports to discuss but guys this is stupid!!!! Bronco has not mentioned going anywhere or even the desire to. He is very successful here at BYU. Until we have word that he is thinking about leaving let's talk about something else worth while. For example why our basketball team is now playing poorly VS. earlier in the season.

Thank you Phillycougar for saying a few words of logic on this incredibly stupid topic.

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Holmgren is not a member of the church and wouldn't get a look (even though I would love to have him) Andy Reid on the other hand would be awesome.

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Posted by Copper Cable - 2008/01/17 12:09

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Thank you for clarifying for me and for others. I had a suspicion that he wasn't and this confirmed it for me. Karma to you for doing the research.

Thus, my previous post...he would not be the HC (unless he converts)because that is a position that requires a temple recommend holding individual. All the other coaching positions do not require this.

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