

## Aduddell named Sterling High School football coach

Coach Troy Aduddell is trading in his red, white and blue Clear Lake gear for the blue and silver of Ross S. Sterling

The Goose Creek CISD Board of Trustees approved the hiring of Coach Aduddell for the position of head football coach for Sterling High School on Monday, Jan. 24.

"After 24 years of coaching — 15 of those being at the helm of the football program at Clear Lake — I felt it was the right time, and Sterling was the right place to come in and build a winning program," Coach Aduddell said.

Coach Aduddell becomes the 12th football coach in Sterling's 44-year history. He replaces Herb Minyard, who led the Rangers for seven years.

Coach Aduddell has been the head football coach at Clear Lake High School since 1996, compiling a record of 83-69-1. As head coach, he took the Falcons to the playoffs in 1999, 2003, 2004 and 2008. In 2004, the Falcons were state semi-finalists in the 5A playoffs.

Coach Aduddell, 48, was named the District 24-5A Coach of the Year in 2003 and 2004. In 2004, he was the Houston Chronicle High School Coach of the Year and the Touchdown Club of Houston Coach of the Year finalist. That year, the Houston Texans also named Coach Aduddell its High School Coach of

He also served as the defensive coordinator for Team Texas in the 2009 Bayou Bowl played at Stallworth Stadium

The Rangers were 2-8 last year and have made the playoffs only once (2008) since 1985. Clear Lake was 4-6 last year.

When Coach Aduddell starts his new post is subject to when he is able to be released by Clear Lake High School

"This is a great fit both for our kids and the athletic department," said Goose Creek CISD Superintendent Dr. Toby York, who received 63 applications for the position.



Coach Troy Aduddell

"It's very apparent that Coach Aduddell has a plan that I believe will move the Ranger football program to the next level," Dr. York said.

"Coach Aduddell's knowledge of X's and O's is unquestioned, but it is in his ability to motivate and teach that he truly excels. I know Coach Aduddell will work hard to make the Rangers successful?

Sterling Principal Don Beck says he is excited to get someone with Coach Aduddell's resume and background. "He's bringing the entire package."

"At Sterling High School, we are excited about having Coach Aduddell come in as our football coach," Beck said. "He's a fantastic leader; he's a proven leader coming from Clear Lake High School where he sustained a successful program.

"We welcome him with open arms to bring his beliefs and his enthusiasm to our program."

Coach Aduddell is a graduate of Jersey Village High School and Stephen F. Austin State University, where he earned a bachelor's degree and master's degree in education.

After two years of coaching in Garland, Coach Aduddell began his career at Clear Lake in 1987, serving as defensive ends and linebackers coach, and later as defensive coordinator for the Falcons becoming the head coach in 1996.

Coach Aduddell and his wife, Deborah Ann, have a daughter and a son: Megan, 17, and Travis, 16.

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