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Rocco Adrian remains Wando's head football coach

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Mount Pleasant, SC – Wando High School is excited to announce Rocco Adrian will remain the Warriors head football coach; he served as the program's interim head coach this past fall.

"After interviewing a number of candidates for the Wando head football coach position, we realized that we had the best man for the job already doing the job," said Wando's principal, Dr. Sherry Eppelsheimer. "He has an abundance of knowledge of football, but most importantly, Coach Adrian knows our student-athletes, our coaches, and our community. I have no doubt that he will continue to work hard to give our football program recognition while also instilling dedication, integrity, and life skills in our athletes."

Adrian is going into his fourth year overall at Wando. He spent two seasons coaching the Warriors' defensive backs before becoming the interim head coach in 2020.

"I would like to thank Dr. Eppelsheimer, Mark Buchman, the Wando administration, and the entire Wando football family for allowing me the opportunity to continue leading the football program," Adrian said. "I am excited about the direction the program is moving and look forward to seeing where it can go."

Before joining the Wando family, Adrian worked on the coaching staffs of Furman University (cornerbacks), North Greenville University (co-defensive coordinator), and Gardner-Webb University (defensive secondary). He also has eight years of coaching experience at the high school level when he served on the Christ Church School coaching staff and was the Cavaliers' defensive coordinator from 2005 to 2007.

Adrian earned four varsity letters at Furman University, where he racked up 114 career tackles, four pass break-ups, and an interception as a safety. He helped the Paladins reach the NCAA playoffs in 1996, and earned two team awards his senior year: the Robert B. King Award (which goes to the individual who sets the best example of being a team player) and the Purple Heart Award (he came back from a serious injury the year before).

Adrian was a standout at Deltona High School in Florida, and his father, Pete, has four decades of coaching experience at the college level.

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