



# BOBBY BABICH DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR

# FIRST-AND-10

BOBBY BABICH was named defensive coordinator of the Bills on January 30, 2024. Babich joined the Bills in 2017 as the team's assistant defensive backs coach before getting promoted to the team's safeties coach in 2018. Prior to the 2022 season, Babich was named the team's linebackers coach.

# **COACHING SHOUTOUTS**

## 2017-present: (Buffalo Bills)

- In his first season as defensive coordinator, helped the Bills to their fifth consecutive AFC East title. The defense finished with a +24 turnover margin, the best in the NFL since the 2012 Patriots (+25).
- Aided the development of first-year starter LB Terrel Bernard. Bernard led the Bills in 2023 with 143 total tackles and finished the year as one of only four players in NFL history to record 6+ sacks, 3+ INTS and 3+ fumble recoveries in a single season.
- In Babich's first season as linebackers coach in 2022, LB Matt Milano earned first team All-Pro recognition. Milano led the Bills with 12.5 tackles for loss while totaling 99 tackles, three interceptions and two fumble recoveries.
- In 2021, the Bills defense ranked first in not only total defense, but six other major defensive categories including passing yards and passing yard per play. S Jordan Poyer was named a first-team All-Pro and S Micah Hyde earned second-team honors.
- The Bills finished third in the NFL in takeaways (25) and seventh in interceptions (15) in 2020. The Bills also won the team's first division title since 1996 and reached the conference championship game.
- S Jordan Poyer finished the 2019 season with a careerhigh 103 tackles.
- In 2017, safety Micah Hyde earned his first Pro Bowl berth. Rookie CB Tre'Davious White had 18 passes defensed, tied for first among all rookies. Jordan Poyer and Hyde were the NFL's only safety duo to each have five interceptions.

## COACHING SHOUTOUTS

#### 2016: (Florida International)

• Spent one season as Florida International's secondary coach and defensive pass game coordinator.

## 2013-15: (Cleveland Browns)

 Served as an assistant defensive backs coach with the Browns for three seasons, working primarily with the safeties.

#### 2011-12: (Carolina Panthers)

• Babich spent a season serving as an administrative assistant for the coaching staff before being promoted to a role as a defensive assistant with the team in 2012.

## 2007-10: (Eastern Illinois)

• Served as the secondary coach for Eastern Illinois. Babich's secondary was instrumental in helping the Panthers rank in the top 20 nationally in takeaways as Rashad Haynes and C.J. James each earned All-Ohio Valley Conference honors.

## 2006: (Kent State)

• Babich began his coaching career in 2006 as a graduate assistant at Kent State.

# **PLAYING SHOUTOUTS**

• Played cornerback for four years at North Dakota State. He was a two-time academic all-conference honoree and led the team in interceptions as a senior.

# **PERSONAL**

- Born in Tulsa, OK. Graduated with a bachelor's degree in business administration from North Dakota State.
- His father, Bob, coached in the NFL from 2003-21 and last served at the linebackers coach for the Bills before retiring after the 2021 season.
- He and his wife Lacey have a daughter, Lainey, and a son, Brav.