## MARCUS WEST NAMED DEFENSIVE LINE COACH

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MARCUS WEST has been named the Bills defensive line coach. West originally joined the Bills in 2022 as the team's assistant defensive line coach.

Prior to joining the Bills, West was the assistant head coach/codefensive coordinator/defensive line coach at UNC Charlotte.

In his second season in Buffalo, West helped the Bills defense finish third in the AFC with 18.3 points allowed and fourth in the NFL in sacks with 54. Ed Oliver had a career high in tackles with 51 (34 solo), 14 TFLs, 16 QB hits, 1 INT and tied a career high in passes defensed (3). His 9.5 sacks on the season were the most by a Bills DT since Jordan Phillips in 2019 (9.5). Helped AJ Epenesa tie his career highs in sacks (6.5) and TFLs (7), and recorded new career highs in tackles (20), passes defensed and INTs (2) in 2023. Epenesa became the third defensive lineman with multiple INTs in a season, joining Ron McDole (2 in 1968) and Sean Moran (2 in 1997). Leonard Floyd led the Bills with 10.5 sacks in 2023 and became the first Bill with 10+ sacks in a season since Lorenzo Alexander (12.5) in 2016.

## SHOUTOUTS