Ohio State Adds Former Seattle Seahawks, Michigan State Pass Rush Specialist Brandon Jordan To Support Staff

Ohio State on Thursday added former Seattle Seahawks and Michigan State pass rush specialist Brandon Jordan to their support staff as a defensive program assistant.

Jordan, 35, spent last season on recently retired head coach Pete Caroll's staff in Seattle, where he helped guide a Seahawks defense that ranked 11th in the NFL with 47 sacks, but finished second-to-last in total rushing yards allowed at 2,352. Prior to his time in Seattle, Johnson was a pass rush specialist for former head coach Mel Tucker at Michigan State. The Spartans' defense, led by Aaron Dunn and Jacoby Windmon in the interior, ranked 43rd in the nation that season in total sacks at 29.

Jordan, who began his coaching career in 2012 — a career that also included coaching stints at Missouri S&T (2012), Austin Peay (2013) and the Arizona Cardinals (2021), among others — has also thrived as a skill trainer. He is the CEO of Brandon Jordan Trench Performance, a football training program that has welcomed more than 200 NFL players, including Jadeveon Clowney, former Buckeye Cameron Hayward, Chandler Jones, Von Miller and T.J. Watt, among others.

At Ohio State, Jordan will join a defensive line staff that will be led by the previously mentioned Larry Johnson and defensive line graduate assistant LaAllan Clark, who is entering his second season with the program.