New York Giants Offensive Coordinator options post-Monken

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While it was expected that former Baltimore Ravens Offensive Coordinator Todd Monken would follow new Giants Head Coach John Harbaugh to New York, that plan will no longer come to fruition. Monken was hired as head coach of the Cleveland Browns on Wednesday, as reported by Adam Schefter.

Having already hired both a defensive and special teams coordinator earlier in the week, Harbaugh will now turn his attention towards finding a new face to take over the development of second-year quarterback Jaxson Dart.

Here are six candidates who could appeal to Harbaugh and the Giants as they look to pivot from Monken.

Davis Webb (Denver Broncos Offensive Passing Game Coordinator and QBs Coach)

Webb seems to be a hot commodity around the league after helping lead the Broncos to a top 10 offense in 2025. The 31-year-old has served as QBs coach for Bo Nix's first two NFL seasons and was promoted to passing game coordinator prior to 2025.

The Giants are seemingly intrigued by that success, as they have requested an interview with him, per Schefter.

Webb and the Giants have a long history with one another. The former quarterback was a third-round pick for New York in 2017, and he finished his career as Daniel Jones' backup on the team's 2022 playoff squad before making the jump to the coaching ranks a year later.

While the Broncos could retain Webb as their new OC after firing Joe Lombardi, Webb may look for a play calling role outside of the organization with the presence of HC Sean Payton in Denver.

Having interviewed with the Buffalo Bills for their head coaching vacancy prior to the promotion of Joe Brady and still in the race for the Las Vegas Raiders post, Webb seems like an easy bet to make a quick rise through the coaching ranks within the next few seasons and the Giants could be the team that bites first.

Robert Prince/Willie Taggart (Atlanta Falcons Wide Receivers Coach/Giants Running Backs Coach)

Both Prince and Taggart have been connected to the Giants this offseason, with Prince interviewing for the role (according to Tom Pelissero) and an interview with Taggart being requested before he was hired as RBs coach (according to Jeremy Fowler).

Taggart is the more experienced candidate out of the two, having Power Five play calling experience with both Oregon and Florida State. He spent last season as assistant head coach and RBs coach in Baltimore.

A former college QB, the 49-year-old was recruited to Western Kentucky by John's father to play under Jim Harbaugh, showing close family ties.

Prince, too, has a long resume that includes college OC positions at Portland State and Boise State, as well as a unique "acting head coach" role with the Lions in 2020 after interim HC Darell Bevell had to quarantine due to Covid-19.

The 60-year-old's work with all of Kenny Golladay (prior to his disappointing Giants stint), CeeDee Lamb and Tyreek Hill/Jaylen Waddle must appeal to Harbaugh, who is inheriting former sixth overall pick and pro bowler Malik Nabers.

Though he was hired this week as a WRs coach with the Falcons, his first potential NFL OC role would surely be enough to change his mind.

Greg Roman

Roman spent the 2025 season as the OC for the Los Angeles Chargers, though he was fired after their Wild Card loss by Harbaugh's brother Jim.

That wasn't the first time that he was forced out by a Harbaugh brother, as Roman resigned from the same gig with the Ravens following the 2022 season after serving on John's staff.

After spending the last half decade between the brothers, Roman still seems like a fair bet to receive some consideration for a reunion with John as it seems unlikely that Jim would have hired Roman without a strong endorsement from John prior to the 2024 campaign.

Despite injuries across the offensive line and in the running backs room this season, the Chargers managed to finish with the 12th best rushing offense in the league by measure of yards.

Based on that sustained success and Roman's experience working with star QBs in Lamar Jackson and Justin Herbert, the 53-year-old may stand as the natural pivot for another job with a Harbaugh brother.

Charlie Weis Jr. (Louisiana State University OC)

The main connection between Weis Jr. and the Giants OC job is the presence of Dart, as Weis Jr. served as OC under Lane Kiffin during Dart's time at Ole Miss.

Under the 32-year-old, Ole Miss gained the most offensive yards and scored the third most points across all FBS division one programs in 2025. The second-generation coach followed Kiffin to LSU after Ole Miss' 2025 semifinals run.

Though Weis Jr. rebuffed interest from the Philadelphia Eagles for their OC role, according to Dianna Russini, a chance to reunite with Dart may be enough to change his mind and bring him back to the NFL ranks for the first time since he served as an offensive assistant for the Falcons in 2017.

Kliff Kingsbury

After helping Jayden Daniels to an Offensive Rookie of the Year campaign in 2024, Kingsbury and the Washington Commanders mutually parted ways following a disappointing regression in 2025.

The 46-year-old has a long track record of developing young quarterbacks, both as an OC and HC. Best known for his work with Patrick Mahomes as HC at Texas Tech, his work with Kyler Murray as Arizona Cardinals HC spawned the best years of the Oklahoma product's career.

Couple that with Daniels' success when healthy and throwing in Johnny Manziel's electric college career at Texas with Kingsbury as OC, it becomes clear why Kingsbury would be an attractive candidate for a team with a young QB such as Dart in place.

LATO'S LENS:

A WAY-TOO-EARLY TOP 10 FOR THE 2026 COLLEGE FOOTBALL SEASON

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Last Friday, the college football transfer portal officially closed, providing some of the most entertaining, action-packed two weeks for fans amid the offseason.

The rising importance of NIL compensation has turned the portal into something synonymous with the Wild West. Players are jumping all over the nation in search of more money, and coaches being accused of tampering has seemingly become a yearly occurrence.

Nevertheless, you can now start to feel how certain teams are shaping up ahead of the season, which kicks off in August. Here's my way-too-early top 10 rankings for the 2026 college football season.

1. Ohio State

Despite landing the fifth-best class in the portal according to 247sports.com, the Buckeyes' strength this offseason was retention.

They return Heisman Trophy finalist Julian Sayin at signal-caller, as well as top wide receiver Jeremiah Smith. Smith will be joined by Chris Henry Jr., the top-ranked wide receiver in the class of 2026 from perennial high school powerhouse Mater Dei (Santa Ana, Calif.). Henry looks to provide the Buckeyes with more offensive firepower to overcome the woes they had in the Big Ten Championship against Indiana and in the CFP Quarterfinals against Miami.

2. Indiana

While the reigning national champions are losing a tremendous portion of their roster to the NFL Draft, head coach Curt Cignetti still reeled in yet another impressive transfer portal class to build off the previous year's championship-winning class.

TCU transfer Josh Hoover looks to take over the reins from Heisman Trophy winner and projected No. 1 overall draft pick Fernando Mendoza at quarterback. Though massive shoes to fill, Hoover is fresh off an impressive season with the Horned Frogs, throwing for 3,472 yards and 29 touchdowns. Not to mention, electric wide receiver Charlie Becker will return for his junior campaign, emerging as one of Hoover's top targets.

3. Oregon

Oregon quarterback Dante Moore made waves in the college football world on Jan. 14 after announcing his return to Eugene for the 2026 season, with the caption reading, "Heisman Year."

Moore's return is joined by wide receivers Dakorien Moore and Jeremiah McClellan, who both had major impacts on Oregon's offensive success in 2025. Combined with running backs Jordon Davison and Dierre Hill Jr., the Ducks look downright scary on offense.

Defensively, the Ducks have NFL talent all over the field. Defensive linemen Bear Alexander and A'Mauri Washington are back, as well as linebackers Teitum Tuioti and Matayo Uiagalelei. Running the ball against Oregon will be extremely hard for opposing Big Ten offenses.

4. Texas

Will 2026 be "The Year of Arch Manning" and the Texas Longhorns? Many seem to think so after the commitment of top wide receiver and Auburn transfer Cam Coleman from the portal. His addition to a wide receiving corps consisting of veterans Ryan Wingo and Emmett Mosley V is crucial, and with transfer running backs Raleek Brown (Arizona State) and Hollywood Smothers (NC State), depth is no issue for the Longhorns.

Even better, edge rusher Colin Simmons is back on the defensive line. Projected to be a first-round pick in the 2027 NFL Draft, Simmons posted 12 sacks and 15 tackles for loss in 2025 and is already being compared to NFL star Von Miller.

5. Georgia

What's a top 10 without Georgia?

Head coach Kirby Smart and the Bulldogs have been an earmark of consistent success in recent years, producing NFL talent year in and year out. Once again, the Bulldogs are loaded with that talent.

It's crucial to have a quarterback with experience on the field, and the Bulldogs have that in Gunner Stockton. Alongside returners Nate Frazier (RB), Isiah Canion (WR), Lawson Luckie (TE) and a crushing offensive line, Stockton has plenty of offensive weapons to support their highly touted defense.

6. LSU

Head coach Lane Kiffin took over the reins of the program in December after the firing of Brian Kelly, and he's since completed almost a full 180 of the roster with strategic use of LSU's plentiful NIL resources. He's brought over several coaches from Ole Miss and landed three of the portal's top 10 prospects, including quarterback Sam Leavitt (1), offensive lineman Jordan Seaton (4) and edge rusher Princewill Umanmielen (5). A combination of the two makes LSU a clear-cut favorite to make the playoffs.

7. Miami

Head coach Mario Cristobal and the Miami Hurricanes turned heads this season after making a run to the CFP National Championship Game before losing to champion Indiana.

Recently landing Duke's Darian Mensah (QB) and Cooper Barkate (WR) from the portal, the Hurricanes look like they have a national championship–caliber roster once again. Offensively, wide receiver Malachi Toney and Mark Fletcher Jr. return after stellar 2025 campaigns. Combined with a defense pending the return of highly ranked defensive tackle Ahmad Moten, and you have a recipe for success brewing in Coral Gables.

8. Notre Dame

The talent is there in South Bend for Marcus Freeman's Fighting Irish; however, the question is simple: can they get over the hump and avoid careless early-season losses? Notre Dame has developed a reputation as one of the best late-season performers in the country, but always seems due for a bad loss at the beginning of the season. Should they avoid that loss and sneak into the playoffs, the Irish are a clear-cut contender to make a deep postseason run.

9. Ole Miss

Without Kiffin, I was a little skeptical to put Ole Miss on this list, even after their performance with now head coach Pete Golding at the helm for last season's playoff run. But looking at their returners and performance with the portal, I quickly changed my mind.

Golding landed the second-ranked class of the 2026 transfer portal and has since retained star running back Kewan Lacy and quarterback Trinidad Chambliss, pending the results of a legal battle regarding a final year of eligibility. If all pans out well for Chambliss, the Rebel's upside is sky-high.

10. Oklahoma

Oklahoma's John Mateer looked like a Heisman-caliber quarterback before injuring his thumb and needing midseason surgery before returning to play. Still, he helped muscle the Sooners to the playoffs before losing to Alabama in the first round.

With a healthy Mateer coming back for 2026, as well as offensive coordinator Ben Arbuckle, the Sooners have the means for an explosive offense, nicely complementing an experienced defense that returns almost its entire secondary.