## Michigan Officially Reaches Deal With Head Coach Sherrone Moore



Michigan's head coach Sherrone Moore has officially reached an agreement on his deal with the university after he had been coaching the team for the first two games without a formal contract.

"We are excited to announce that the full contract for University of Michigan Football Coach Sherrone Moore has been signed by all parties," Michigan president Santa Ono and athletics director Warde Manuel said in a joint statement. "He is a proven leader and has been a great ambassador during his seven-plus years representing Michigan.

"Our university and athletic department leadership is behind Coach Moore, his coaching staff and the great student-athletes that compete on the field and in the classroom. We are excited to see our team take the field this Saturday against Arkansas State."

Moore had originally signed a five-year, \$30 million memorandum of understanding (MOU) on Jan. 26, 2024, that expired 90 days later. Manuel appeared on the "Conqu'ring Heroes" podcast to say that he was working on finalizing the contract and now an official agreement has been reached.

"Our University of Michigan administration led by president Santa Ono and athletic director Warde Manuel has been tremendous throughout this process, and I am excited to have this full contract completed," Moore said in a statement. "Their support for our team is greatly appreciated and all three of us are aligned in our goals for this football program. We want the attention to be on the players that work so hard to represent this team and university at the highest level. All of my focus is and always will be centered on the mental, physical and spiritual development of the young men that suit up to play for Michigan."

Michigan (1-1) is currently ranked No. 17 in the country after suffering a blowout 31-12 loss to now-No. 2 Texas. The Wolverines play Arkansas State in Week 3, but will be right back to hosting another top team with No. 11 USC set to head to Ann Arbor the week after.

Moore and the Michigan football program are still in the midst of the blowback from their sign-stealing scandal, for which they received a Notice of Allegations in August. Moore is facing a Level 2 violation for deleting a text thread of 52 messages with Connor Stalions – the former Wolverine recruiting analyst who was at the head of the scandal. Moore was also charged with a Level 2 violation for his involvement

in Michigan's impermissible recruiting during a COVID-19 dead period, so he could be considered a repeat violator.