

# Planning to **WIN** Foundation

PRESENTS...

**STEVE WILKS**

Carolina Panthers Defensive Coordinator

*"Understanding the person to develop the professional"*

*July 18th, 2017*

*7:45am - 10:00am*

*Carmel Country Club*

We are pleased to kick off our inaugural Breakfast Speaking Series bringing together lessons from the sporting community to the business world. The Planning to Win Foundation is focused on providing the professional athletic field with the ability to create and develop charitable organizations that will benefit local youth.

Our first guest speaker will be the Carolina Panthers defensive coordinator, Steve Wilks. Proceeds from the inaugural Breakfast Speaking Series will benefit Steve Wilk's foundation and his Elite Defensive Back Academy allowing children to master the specific skills necessary to succeed at the position.

\*\*\$600/Table - \$75/Person. For ticket or sponsorship information, please contact [info@planningtowinfoundation.com](mailto:info@planningtowinfoundation.com).

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## Elite Defensive Back Academy

The Defensive Back Academy is an advanced camp for high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors. The Academy will help you master the specific skills necessary to succeed at the position. This Academy is about building a winning attitude for success on and off the field.



7:45am Check-In

8:15am Event Kick Off

9:45am Networking

10:00am Game Over



# STEVE WILKS

Steve Wilks, a Charlotte native, returned home to Carolina from the San Diego Chargers, where he oversaw the secondary from 2009-11. Wilks brings continuity and familiarity in his first year as the Panthers' defensive coordinator in 2017 after being promoted following the 2016 season. Wilks transitioned to his new role from secondary coach, a position he held for five seasons from 2012-16, and assistant head coach, where he helped head coach Ron Rivera with day-to-day operations from 2015-16.

*"I believe in building a foundation using the right TOOLS. Integrity, discipline and hard work!"*

~ Steve Wilks | Carolina Panthers Defensive Coordinator

In 2010, Wilks and then San Diego defensive coordinator Ron Rivera formed a formidable duo when the Chargers led the NFL in total defense and pass defense. San Diego limited opponents to a 76.2 passer rating, the fourth lowest in the league, and allowed 18 touchdown passes, the fifth fewest in the NFL. The Chargers' pass defense vastly improved under Wilks' guidance. Prior to his arrival, San Diego was ranked 31st in the NFL against the pass but jumped to 11th in 2009, first in 2010 and 13th in 2011.

He came to San Diego following three seasons as defensive backs coach for the Chicago Bears. One of Wilks' strengths while with the Bears was his emphasis on creating turnovers.

From 2006-08, cornerbacks and safeties accounted for 42 of the team's 62 interceptions, including 16 in 2006 when Chicago - with Rivera as defensive coordinator - led the NFL with 44 takeaways, won the NFC Championship and advanced to Super Bowl XLI. The Bears' defensive backs also forced 20 fumbles during Wilks' tenure, the most in the NFL in that span.

All profits go to support Steve Wilk's foundation and his Elite Defensive Back Academy.  
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