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Coach Chris Cutcliffe is currently the head football coach at Oxford High School (OHS) in Oxford, MS. In four years as the program's leader, his teams have accumulated a total record of 39-13 highlighted by this past season's 6A State Championship, the first in school history, where Chris was also named Mississippi's Coach of the Year. In addition to coaching, he serves the district as a Math and Personal Leadership teacher.

Prior to becoming the head football coach, Cutcliffe served as an offensive assistant under legendary Oxford Chargers coach, Johnny Hill, a recent Mississippi Coaches Hall of Fame inductee. During that time, the Chargers made three appearances in the 5A State Championship game and won three district championships. Chris also helped develop the 2015 Gatorade Player of the Year, Quarterback Jack Abraham, and his U.S. Army All-American Wide Receiver, D.K. Metcalf.

Cutcliffe has also played a vital role in the classroom at OHS. He has spent seven years as part of an Algebra 1 team that produced some of the top scores in the state on the Algebra 1 State Test. He is also part of the faculty that introduced a leadership course into the curriculum at OHS for the first time in school history. During this time, Cutcliffe continued his own education, earning his Ed. S degree from Arkansas State University in 2015.

From 2009-2011, Cutcliffe served under his father, head coach David Cutcliffe, as a member of the Duke Blue Devil football staff while also earning his M.A.T. from the University. These years served as the foundation for the program's eventual unprecedented success of participating in six bowl games in the last seven seasons. Prior to this streak, Duke had participated in only six bowl games in the previous 67 seasons.

A proud Tennessee Volunteer alum, Cutcliffe earned his B.S. in Mathematics in 2009 while also serving as a student manager for the football team. The Vols went to two bowl games during his time with the team. Cutcliffe attended OHS where he was the quarterback and senior class president. There, he met his wife, Molly, who is also a graduate of OHS. The couple currently resides in Oxford with their five sons, Shivers, Bennett, Oliver, Theodore, and Louis.

In January of 2017, Cutcliffe was recognized by the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) as part of its 30 Under 30 program. Through this program, the AFCA aims to identify and train the next generation of leaders in the football coaching profession. The AFCA firmly believes that better-educated coaches are better-educated leaders, and better-educated leaders are the pillars of a successful American society. Cutcliffe has also served as the head coach of the North Team in the 2019 NEMFCA All Star Game and as an assistant coach for the North Team in the 2018 Bernard Blackwell All Star Game. Cutcliffe has also been named an assistant coach for the upcoming 2019 Mississippi Alabama All Star Game.