Does Matt Corral Have a Future with The Panthers?

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Panther's Quarterback Matt Corral said he doesn't want to be traded during a media session Monday. Corral also addressed his comments on social media after the 2023 NFL Draft. Corral said, "You're in the wrong place if you're not appreciated."

Corral said the post wasn't about the Panthers drafting Bryce Young.

Young was the first pick in the 2023 Draft. Carolina's selecting Young didn't faze Corral. Corral is ready to compete for the starting job.

Corral isn't standing down and wants to stay with the Panthers. Corral said, "Me personally if it was up to me, I don't want to be traded."

Corral was selected in the third round of the 2022 NFL Draft. Corral played college football at Mississippi. At Mississippi, Corral completed 67 percent of his passes and passed for 8,287 yards. Corral threw 57 touchdowns and 23 interceptions.

Corral finished seventh in the 2021 Heisman Trophy voting. Some sports analysts believed Corral was the best quarterback in his draft class.

Corral's NFL career started on a rough note. Corral suffered a <u>Lisfranc injury</u> against the New England Patriots in the 2022 Preseason.

Corral's Future

With Carolina selecting Young, one could only think about Corral's future. Corral is waiting for his opportunity to lead the Panther's offense. Rookie quarterback Bryce Young is set up to start during the 2023 season.

Carolina signed Andy Dalton to a two-year \$10 million contract, per <u>Spotrac</u>. Dalton received \$8 million guaranteed. Dalton has succeeded as a backup and a starter.

Corral must fight for his chance to start for the Panthers. The big question is will he ever start?

Frank Reich has no ties with Corral and Carolina moved up to get Young. Corral is the odd man out.

I think Corral has a future in the NFL. However, it won't be with the Carolina Panthers. If Young succeeds and establishes himself as a starter there's no room for Corral.

The Reality for Quarterbacks

Being a quarterback in the NFL is challenging. Quarterbacks aren't guaranteed a starting spot, especially when management changes. Free-agent Quarterback Josh Rosen was traded to Miami Dolphins after his rookie season with the Arizona Cardinals. Kyler Murray stepped in, and the rest is history.

First-round quarterbacks always start. Lamar Jackson, Patrick Mahomes, Joe Burrow, Justin Herbert and Tua Tagovailoa are starters. These quarterbacks were selected in the first round.

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