

= Colt McCoy =

Daniel " Colt " McCoy (born September 5 , 1986) is an American football quarterback for the Washington Redskins of the National Football League (NFL) . He was drafted by the Cleveland Browns in the third round of the 2010 NFL Draft , after playing college football for the University of Texas . He has also been a member of the San Francisco 49ers .

McCoy was the starting quarterback for the Texas Longhorns from 2006 ? 2009 and won the 2008 Walter Camp Award , was the 2008 Heisman Trophy runner @-@ up and was a 2009 Heisman finalist . McCoy is second to Boise State 's Kellen Moore in games won by a NCAA Division I quarterback . In his senior year , he won 13 of the top 15 major college player awards including quarterback of the year , offensive player of the year and outstanding football player of the year .

After sitting out the 2005 Longhorn season as a redshirt , McCoy was the starting quarterback for the 2006 Longhorn team . On November 4 , 2006 , McCoy threw his 27th touchdown pass in a win against Oklahoma State , to take sole possession of the Texas school record for most touchdowns ever thrown by a quarterback in a single season . Subsequently , in the 2006 Alamo Bowl on December 30 , McCoy threw two touchdowns against Iowa Hawkeyes football to tie Nevada 's David Neill for second place for freshman touchdowns in a single season . Also during the 2006 season , McCoy was named College Football News Big 12 Player of the Year and was named the quarterback to their " All Freshman Team " . Injuries caused him to miss portions of the final regular season games , but he was able to play for the entire duration of the Longhorns ' bowl game .

Leading the 2007 Longhorns , McCoy was somewhat less consistent . Through the first five games he threw nine interceptions ? two more than he threw in the entire 2006 season . He went on to throw 18 interceptions during the 2007 season .

Leading the 2008 Texas Longhorn football team , McCoy and the Longhorns began the season with eight straight wins , including a win over then # 1 Oklahoma , # 6 Oklahoma State and # 11 Missouri . His performance helped the Longhorns rise at one point to the # 1 ranking in the national polls , although UT lost to Texas Tech University and finished ranked third in the BCS standings . In 2008 McCoy set school records for most career touchdown passes , most touchdown passes in a season , most total touchdowns by a Texas player , most career wins , and most career passing yards . In addition to setting passing records , McCoy led the team with 561 yards rushing and eleven rushing touchdowns , establishing a reputation as a dual threat quarterback . McCoy was named the 2008 AP Big 12 Offensive Player of the Year .

= = Early life = =

McCoy was born in Hobbs , New Mexico . He is the eldest of three children born to Steven Brad McCoy and Debra Kay (Woodruff) McCoy . He attended Jim Ned High School in Tuscola , Texas , population 714 , where he was coached in football by his father , Brad McCoy . He achieved several distinctions as a high school player , including two @-@ time Associated Press 2A Offensive MVP and First @-@ team All @-@ state selection . Over his career , he completed 536 @-@ of @-@ 849 passes (63 @.@ 1 %) for 9 @,@ 344 yards and 116 TDs . He ranks as the all @-@ time leading passer in Texas Division 2A high school history and is fourth overall in Texas high school history . McCoy also served as Jim Ned High School 's punter as a junior and senior . During his sophomore year , McCoy was also playing free safety . However , after he suffered a concussion while tackling 215 @-@ pound Bangs High School running back Jacoby Jones (not to be confused with the Baltimore Ravens wide receiver of the same name) , his father decided not to let him play defense anymore . At the time Jim Ned was 8 ? 0 , but as McCoy missed the next two games due to the concussion , Jim Ned 's season unraveled . McCoy also played in the 2003 Texas 2A State Championship against the San Augustine Wolves . Jim Ned lost 28 ? 7 .

= = College career = =

McCoy attended the University of Texas at Austin , where he played for coach Mack Brown 's

Texas Longhorns football team from 2005 to 2009 . Colt was a four @-@ year starter from 2006 @-@ 2009 . He won or shared the team 's MVP all four years , the only player in school history to do so .

= = = 2005 season = = =

As a freshman , he was given a redshirt year so he did not play during the team 's 2005 national championship season . He served as the quarterback for the scout team in practice against the starting defense . During this time , Matt McCoy (no relation) was officially listed as the number three quarterback behind Vince Young and Matt Nordgren . When Brown chose to play Matt McCoy in four separate game situations where Texas had a commanding lead , confusion arose as to which McCoy was in the game . Many sportscasters mistakenly referred to Matt McCoy as Colt McCoy , as Colt was the more widely known player . The following year , with Young forgoing his senior year to enter the NFL and Nordgren graduating , the position of starting quarterback for the defending National Champion Texas Longhorns came down to a competition between red @-@ shirt freshman Colt McCoy and true freshman newcomer Jevan Snead .

= = = 2006 season = = =

After winning out a close competition with Jevan Snead , McCoy became the 2006 starting quarterback for the University of Texas . The season opener saw McCoy lead the Longhorns to a 56 ? 7 victory over North Texas , throwing for three touchdowns and rushing a yard for another , while throwing no interceptions . He was 12 @-@ 19 in passing , and ran for 27 yards to help set up a touchdown . In only his second pass as a college quarterback McCoy threw a 60 @-@ yard touchdown pass . He was the first Texas freshman quarterback to start and win a season @-@ opening game since Bobby Layne in 1944 . The next week , the Longhorns faced # 1 Ohio State at home . McCoy went 19 @-@ 32 , 156 yards , one TD , and one INT while rushing four times for a total of eight yards . Ohio State defeated the Longhorns 24 ? 7 , ending the Longhorns 21 @-@ game winning streak .

Following wins over Rice , Iowa State , and Sam Houston State , McCoy got his first win over a ranked team , as well as his first come @-@ from @-@ behind victory , when he led the Longhorns over rival Oklahoma 28 ? 10 in the Red River Shootout . McCoy threw for two touchdowns in the game . The two touchdowns by McCoy gave him 12 touchdown passes for the season , tied for third with Longhorn passer James Brown in the list of most touchdowns by a Texas freshman .

On October 14 , 2006 McCoy threw a Texas record six touchdown passes in the win against Baylor . The previous record of five touchdown passes had been held by James Brown (set vs. Baylor in 1994) and Chris Simms (vs. Oklahoma State in 2001) . On October 25 , 2006 , he was 9th in the nation with a quarterback rating of 165 @.@ 4 .

In the 2006 Oklahoma State game McCoy threw for his 27th passing touchdown of the season , giving him sole possession of the single @-@ season Texas record and putting him two TD 's shy of the NCAA single season record for freshman quarterbacks (29) . Coincidentally , this 27th pass was also for 27 yards .

During the November 11 , 2006 , game against Kansas State , McCoy suffered a stinger shoulder injury while rushing for a touchdown on the opening drive against Kansas State . Snead came in and played the remainder of the game . The Longhorns fell behind by as much as 21 points before Snead brought them back to within 3 , finally falling in an upset by the Wildcats 45 ? 42 . There was speculation that Snead might be the starter for the final regular season game , because it was unknown whether McCoy would return for the Longhorns season closer against rival Texas A & M on November 24 , 2006 . However , McCoy was cleared to play the game against the Aggies .

With 20 seconds remaining in the Lone Star Showdown versus the Aggies , McCoy was injured by a " vicious , stadium @-@ hushing tackle " as Aggie defensive end Michael Bennett connected with his helmet against McCoy 's upper body after McCoy had thrown an incomplete pass . Replays showed both on television and in the stadium revealed the hit might have included " helmet @-@ to

@-@ helmet " contact which is illegal in NCAA football only if done intentionally , but no flag was thrown . When the replay was shown in the stadium , the Longhorn fans erupted in boos before lapsing back into silence as McCoy lay on the ground writhing for ten minutes before being taken off the field on a cart . Mack Brown said after the game " I didn 't see it , but it sounded like 88 @,@ 000 (fans) thought it was dirty " . Fellow Longhorn Selvin Young said he thought the hit was a clean " textbook " hit . McCoy was taken to University Medical Center Brackenridge where he spent more than three hours undergoing an evaluation that included an X @-@ Ray , MRI , and a CAT scan . Longhorns trainer Kenny Boyd said the injury was a severe pinched nerve in McCoy 's neck . Boyd said that McCoy was expected to make a full recovery , but no timetable was set for McCoy to return to play . The injury to McCoy came one game @-@ clock minute after an A & M player , # 91 Kellen Heard had been ejected from the game for vicious blindside block on McCoy after he threw an interception , which was ruled excessive . An X @-@ Ray , MRI exam and CT scan showed " no structural damage to McCoy 's neck or shoulder " .

On December 1 , 2006 , the Longhorns issued a statement confirming that back @-@ up quarterback Jevan Snead had left the team and would transfer to an unspecified school . This meant there would be no scholarship quarterback available to play in the Longhorns ' bowl game if McCoy was not ready . On December 21 , 2006 , Texas announced that McCoy was cleared to start in the Alamo Bowl . In the 2006 Alamo Bowl played on December 30 , McCoy threw two touchdowns against Iowa to tie the NCAA freshman record of 29 touchdown passes established by Nevada 's David Neill in 1998 . This record has since been broken by Oklahoma 's Sam Bradford in the 2007 season .

= = = 2007 season = = =

After just one season with Texas , McCoy received a lot of media attention , including appearing on some lists of the nation 's top players of 2007 . In June 2007 , McCoy appeared on the cover of Dave Campbell 's Texas Football alongside Texas A & M quarterback Stephen McGee and TCU defensive end Tommy Blake . Additionally , Rivals.com named McCoy one of the top @-@ 10 quarterbacks going into the 2007 season . He also made the Athlon Sports first @-@ team All Big 12 .

On June 26 , 2007 , Maxwell Football Club president Ron Jaworski announced that McCoy had been named to the preseason watch list for the Maxwell Award . The initial list includes 64 players . The winner turned out to be Tim Tebow . In their 2007 season preview magazine , CBS Sportsline.com listed McCoy as one of twelve players on the ? Heisman Watch ? ; saying ? We were touting him for the Heisman midway through his freshman season until he was injured against Kansas State . Older and stronger , McCoy has an awesome receiving corps to make a run at the hardware for real . ? He is also one of the 35 quarterbacks placed on the 2007 Manning Award watch list . Further , the Davey O 'Brien National Quarterback Award Watch List added McCoy on August 21 , 2007 .

McCoy led the Longhorns , who were ranked number four in the pre @-@ season Associated Press Poll and Coaches Poll , to a 21 ? 13 victory over unranked Arkansas State in the season opener . McCoy threw two touchdown passes and two interceptions . He also made two quick @-@ kick punts when the Longhorns lined up as if they were attempting to convert on fourth down . He averaged thirty yards per kick and both kicks were downed inside the opponent 's twenty yard @-@ line . In the second game , McCoy led the Longhorns to a 34 ? 13 victory over # 19 @-@ ranked TCU .

The road opener was the first game ever played in the new home stadium of the UCF Knights . McCoy 's 47 passing attempts tied a Texas single @-@ game record . His 32 completions set a new school record , besting the 30 completed by Vince Young during the 2006 Rose Bowl and by Major Applewhite during two 1999 games . The final non @-@ conference game was against Rice , and McCoy completed 20 of his 29 passing attempts , accumulating 333 yards through the air . For the first time in the season , he did not throw an interception . McCoy and most of the Longhorn starting players were replaced by backups after the first drive of the second half . True freshman

quarterback John Chiles made his first college appearance in the first quarter . He came onto the field beside McCoy and then McCoy trotted out to a slot receiver position . Chiles never looked to pass ; he ran up the middle for no gain . He came out of the game after that play and came back in the third quarter as McCoy 's replacement . On that drive , Chiles line up in the zone @-@ read offense and led the Longhorns 80 yards to a touchdown , carrying the ball four times for 49 yards . Chiles ' strong performance immediately led to media speculation as to how much playing time he will take from McCoy .

McCoy played the worst game of his career in an upset loss to the Kansas State Wildcats ; He threw for 200 yards and had four interceptions . He also suffered a concussion during the game and left the field just prior to the end of the first half and again prior to the end of the game . After that game , Sports Illustrated selected him as one of the season 's 10 " Most Disappointing College Players " and noted that he his nine interceptions thrown so far in 2007 were already two more than he threw in the entire 2006 season . Stewart Mandel of Sports Illustrated listed several factors contributing to the Longhorns ' struggles . He cited the off @-@ field problems as evidence that no Texas player has been able to show the superior leadership skills of Vince Young . Mandel said that McCoy , still only a sophomore , had not been able to completely fill that gap and that McCoy 's play had not been as good as during 2006 . He also said part of the blame is to be placed on an offensive line that lost several starters and has not been able to consistently protect McCoy . Finally , he noted that the running game had been " equally inconsistent . " It was the worst home @-@ field loss in Mack Brown 's time with Texas . For the Wildcats , the win over Texas was the first road victory over a top ? ten team in school history .

McCoy and the Longhorns lost again the following week , in the 2007 Red River Shootout . The game was a back @-@ and @-@ forth affair that was ultimately won by Oklahoma 28 ? 21 . OU 's freshman quarterback , Sam Bradford , was 21 ? of ? 32 for 244 yards and three touchdowns . McCoy was 19 ? of ? 26 for 324 yards and two touchdowns . McCoy threw one interception . McCoy played the game with his throwing arm bandaged from mid @-@ forearm to biceps . He held up physically despite taking four sacks and a blind @-@ side late hit after one play had been whistled dead . With the loss , Texas opened conference play 0 ? 2 for the first time since 1956 , when they were in the Southwest Conference and one year before Darrell Royal became head coach of the Longhorns .

The Longhorns were in control of the Iowa State game almost from the very beginning and they routed the Cyclones 56 ? 3 , the worst loss for the Cyclones since 1997 . Lined up in the spread offense on the first play from scrimmage , Colt McCoy scrambled away from a blitz and threw a pass to Jordan Shipley for a 58 @-@ yard touchdown . The offensive line provided great protection for Colt McCoy , who called most of the plays without huddling and directed the Longhorns to touchdowns on his first five series . He completed 23 of 30 passes for 298 yards , 4 touchdowns , and no interceptions . His most athletic play came early in the third quarter when he evaded three defenders on a play from the Cyclones ' 20 @-@ yardline . He twisted around and managed to stay upright long enough to throw a pass to Nate Jones in the end zone . He capped off his performance by making his first rushing touchdown of the season , a career @-@ long , 44 @-@ yard run in the third quarter . The play was designed to be a screen pass to the fullback . Mack Brown said , " Colt was as good today as I 've ever seen him . " Brown also praised McCoy for taking on more of a leadership role with the team . The Austin American @-@ Statesman said , " Colt McCoy is shedding his sophomore slump . In the past two games , he is 42 of 56 passing for 622 yards with six passing touchdowns , one rushing touchdown and just one interception . That translates to a quarterback rating of 200 @.@ 1 . " However , against Baylor on October 20 , Colt would go on to throw 2 interceptions and 1 touchdown , and against Nebraska the following week , McCoy completed less than 50 % of his passes and threw another interception . On the day after Thanksgiving , McCoy was 17 of 32 with 1 interception , while he sacked 4 times in the 38 @-@ 30 loss to Texas A & M . At the conclusion of the 2007 regular season , McCoy had thrown for 21 touchdowns and 18 interceptions .

In the 2007 Holiday Bowl , McCoy led the Longhorns to a 52 ? 34 victory and won the offensive @-@ player MVP award .

== 2008 season ==

On January 2, 2008, UT running back Jamaal Charles decided to forgo his senior season with Texas in favor of joining the NFL as a professional football player in the 2008 NFL Draft. With Charles' departure, McCoy became the leading returning rusher for the 2008 Longhorns.

McCoy rose in the record books during the first four games of the season. On August 30, 2008, McCoy passed for 222 yards and rushed for 103 yards against FAU, becoming the 2nd player in UT history to pass for 200 and rush for 100 yards in more than one game; the other being Vince Young. On September 20 Colt McCoy surpassed the Texas All-Time record for the most passing TD's with 62 while beating Rice 52-10. The record was previously held by Major Applewhite. Through the first four games of 2008, McCoy completed 80% of his passes and had a quarterback rating of 209.71.

The Longhorns opened conference play against the Colorado Buffaloes and UT won 38-14. McCoy threw for two touchdowns and moved past Ricky Williams into second on Texas' all-time list for touchdowns responsible for (passing, rushing, receiving). McCoy at that point had 77, while Williams had 76 with the Horns. UT continued conference play by defeating #1 ranked Oklahoma Sooners in the 2008 Texas vs. Oklahoma football game. McCoy was 28 for 35 for 277 yards and one touchdown, bringing Texas to the position of the #1 in the AP poll for the first time since 1984. (passing Alabama, Missouri, Oklahoma, and LSU.)

On October 18, against Missouri, McCoy completed the game with 337 yards on 29 of 32 passing with two touchdowns, rushed for two more and at one point completed a school record 17 passes in a row. His completion ratio of 79% coming into the game improved as he completed 91% of his passes in this game. His four touchdowns put him alone in first place for the most career touchdowns scored at Texas (82), passing Vince Young (81).

UT lost to Texas Tech with one second remaining in the game. McCoy gave a good performance but came up short as his Red Raider counterpart, Graham Harrell had an outstanding day. Following that loss, UT fell to #4 in the BCS rankings. They climbed to #3 the following week as the Horns beat Baylor and former #3 Penn State lost. The win over Baylor was the 829th win for the UT football program, which tied Notre Dame for 2nd in the list of college football's ten most victorious programs.

McCoy led the Longhorns to a 35-7 road victory over the Kansas, ensuring their eighth consecutive season with ten or more wins per season. That is the longest active streak in the nation and it ties them with Miami (1985-92) for the second all-time longest streak of all time. It was Colt McCoy's 30th career win, which tied him with Vince Young for the school record. McCoy completed 24 of 35 passing attempts (71%) for 255 yards and 2 touchdown passes. He was also the leading rusher for both schools, rushing for 78 yards and a touchdown. McCoy's two touchdown passes put him at 31 for the season, breaking his own school record.

McCoy had another strong performance against in-state rival Texas A & M in the final game of the regular season. This is the longest running rivalry both schools and the biggest margin of victory in the history of the rivalry occurred when Texas beat A & M 48-0 in 1898. McCoy and the Longhorns nearly equaled that record this year by producing a 49-9 victory, the second all-time largest margin of victory for this rivalry series.

The win was the 31st for Colt McCoy, setting a new school record. McCoy rushed for two touchdowns and threw for 2 more. He completed 23 of 28 attempted passes (82%) for a total of 311 yards. That yardage put him at 3,594 yards for the season - another school record. His longest pass of the evening, 68 yarder on a post route to Jordan Shipley late in the third quarter, ended up a yard short of being McCoy's fifth touchdown of the evening.

On January 5, 2009, McCoy led the Longhorns to 24-21 victory over Ohio State in the Fiesta Bowl. McCoy completed 41 of 59 passes for 414 yards, two touchdowns and one interception. He was named the Offensive Player of the Game for his performance.

== 2009 season ==

In his final season , McCoy led the Texas Longhorns to a perfect 12 ? 0 regular season record , as well as a 13 @-@ 12 victory over the Nebraska Cornhuskers to win the Big 12 Championship in Cowboys Stadium . While becoming the most victorious quarterback in NCAA history with 45 career wins , McCoy was again the focal point of the Longhorn offense that scored 550 points in 2009 , ranked third in UT All @-@ Time season scoring (behind only the 2005 , and 2008 teams) . McCoy led a fast paced offense , with accurate , short passes in his repertoire . The Texas offense executed a total of 1 @,@ 053 plays in 14 games played in 2009 . His favorite target was WR Jordan Shipley (# 8) , who went on to play in the NFL with the Cincinnati Bengals .

McCoy left the 2010 BCS National Championship Game against Alabama during Texas ' first offensive drive early in the first quarter with a right shoulder injury and was sidelined for the remainder of the game . McCoy was replaced by true freshman quarterback Garrett Gilbert . Alabama would go on to win the game 37 ? 21 .

= = = Statistics = = =

As of the end of the 2009 season , McCoy 's statistics were as follows :

In the seventh game of 2008 , he completed 91 % . He finished the 2008 regular season with a 76 @.@ 7 % completion percentage , breaking the mark set by Daunte Culpepper for Central Florida , and was the Longhorns ' leading rusher with 576 yards and 11 rushing touchdowns . His record as a starter was 45 @-@ 8 .

= = = Records = = =

Alamo Bowl - Consecutive pass completions (11)
 Fiesta Bowl - Plays , game (66)
 Fiesta Bowl & BCS Bowl - Attempts , game (59)
 Fiesta Bowl & BCS Bowl - Completions , game (41)
 UT - Victories by a freshman (10)
 UT - Passing Yards by a freshman , season (2 @,@ 570)
 UT - Passing Yards , Season (3 @,@ 859) (November 27 , 2008 vs. Texas A & M , surpassed Major Applewhite)
 UT - Passing Yards , Career (13 @,@ 253)
 UT - Offensive Yards , Season (4 @,@ 420)
 UT - Offensive Yards , Career (14 @,@ 824)
 UT - Touchdown Passes by a freshman , game (6)
 UT - Touchdown Passes by a freshman , season (29)
 UT - Touchdown Passes , Game (6) (October 14 , 2006 versus Baylor)
 UT - Touchdown Passes , Season (34) (Broke own record of 29 on November 15 , 2008 vs. the Kansas Jayhawks)
 UT - Touchdown Passes , Career (112) (Broke record on September 20 , 2008 versus Rice)
 UT - Total Touchdowns , Season (45)
 UT - Total Touchdowns , Career (132) (Broke record on October 18 , 2008 versus Missouri)
 UT - Total plays , Season (599)
 UT - Total plays , Career (2 @,@ 092)
 UT - Passing Attempts , Game : (58) Tied , (January 5 , 2009 versus Ohio State Buckeyes) , surpassed by Garrett Gilbert in 2010
 UT - Passing Attempts , Season (470)
 UT - Passing Attempts , Career (1645)
 UT - Passing Completions by a freshman , Season (217)
 UT - Passing Completions , Game (41) (January 5 , 2009 versus Ohio State Buckeyes)
 UT - Passing Completions , Season (332)
 UT - Passing Completions , Career (1157)

UT - Fastest to 1 @, @ 000 yards in a single season (4 games) tied with David Ash , Major Applewhite and James Brown

UT - Consecutive Games with a Touchdown Pass (29)

UT - Consecutive Games with two Touchdown Passes (8)

UT - Games with a Touchdown Pass (48)

UT - Games with two Touchdown Passes (34)

UT - Highest Percentage of Completions , Game (minimum 20 attempts) (90 @. @ 6 %)

UT - Consecutive Passing Completions , Game (18) (October 25 , 2008 versus Oklahoma State (surpassed his own record of 17 on October 18 , 2008 versus Missouri) .

UT - Passing Efficiency , Season (173 @. @ 8)

UT - Passing Efficiency , Career (155 @. @ 0)

UT - Starts , Career (53)

UT - Games by a quarterback , career (53)

UT - Most 200 yard passing games , Season (12)

UT - Most 200 yard passing games , Career (38)

UT - Consecutive 300 passing yard games , (3)

UT - Most 300 yard passing games , Season (6)

UT - Most 300 yard passing games , Career (14)

UT - Most 300 yard total offense games , Season (11)

UT - Most 300 yard total offense games , Career (27)

UT - Most 400 yard passing games , Season (1) , tied with Chris Simms and Applewhite

UT - Most 400 yard passing games , Career (2) , tied with Applewhite

UT - Most 400 yard total offense games , Season (3) , broke his own record shared with Young

UT - Most 400 yard total offense games , Career (5)

Big 12 & UT - Highest Percentage of Completions , Season (minimum 200 attempts) : 76 @. @ 7 %

Big 12 & UT - Highest Percentage of Completions , Career (minimum 700 attempts) : 70 @. @ 3 %

NCAA , Big 12 & UT - Highest Single Season completion percentage : 76 @. @ 7 % .

NCAA , Big 12 & UT - Career Wins by a Starting Quarterback : 45 (Took UT Record on November 27 , 2008 vs. Texas A & M , surpassed Vince Young . Also most career wins in FBS history) , FBS record surpassed by Kellen Moore of Boise State

NCAA , Big 12 & UT - Colt McCoy is one of the three FBS quarterbacks to average 10 wins per season for four seasons .

NCAA , Big 12 & UT - Touchdown passes by a freshman , 29 , tied with David Neill

= = = College awards and honors = = =

BCS national champion (2006)

2006 " All Freshman Team " by College Football News

2006 ? National Freshman of the Year ? by The Sporting News and the Touchdown Club of Columbus

2006 Big 12 Offensive Newcomer of the Year by the Associated Press .

2006 Valero Alamo Bowl Offensive MVP

2008 Pacific Life Holiday Bowl Offensive MVP

2008 Big 12 Offensive Player of the Year by the Associated Press

2008 Second @-@ team All @-@ Big 12 by the Associated Press

2008 Walter Camp Award by the Walter Camp Foundation

2008 First @-@ team All @-@ America by the Walter Camp Foundation , FWAA , and Sports Illustrated

2008 Archie Griffin Award

2008 co @-@ Sporting News Player of the Year

2008 Heisman Memorial Trophy Runner @-@ up

2009 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl Offensive MVP

2009 Unanimous first @-@ team All @-@ American , including first @-@ team honors from by Associated Press , AFCA , FWAA , Walter Camp Foundation , Rivals.com , Scout.com

2009 First @-@ team All @-@ Big 12

2009 Big 12 Offensive Player of the Year

2009 NCAA Quarterback of the Year

2009 Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award

2009 Davey O'Brien Award

2009 Manning Award

2009 Chic Harley Award

2009 Maxwell Award

2009 Walter Camp Award by the Walter Camp Foundation

2009 Sporting News College Athlete of the Year

2009 Heisman Memorial Trophy Finalist , 3rd Place

2009 AT & T ESPN All @-@ America Player of the Year

Texas Longhorns # 12 retired

== == Candidate for Heisman and other national awards == ==

McCoy was mentioned as a Heisman Trophy candidate in his freshman year (2006) and he appeared on the Athlon Sports pre @-@ season Heisman watch at the start of the 2007 season .

The talk became more widespread during his junior year as McCoy was mentioned by several analysts and voters as a potential 2008 Heisman winner . McCoy was the unanimous front @-@ runner in an October 20 poll of 10 Heisman voters conducted by the Rocky Mountain News . Tim Tebow , quarterback of the Florida Gators , had a vote as the 2007 winner . Seven games into the season he said that McCoy would have his vote at that point in the season .

In the 45 ? 21 victory over Baylor , McCoy passed for 300 yards and five touchdowns . The Associated Press story commented , " And McCoy likely refueled his Heisman Trophy bid by completing 26 of 37 passes for his fourth 300 @-@ yard game this season , and eighth of his career , even without playing the final 12 minutes . The touchdowns went to four different receivers , though he did have two interceptions . "

On November 11 (with UT holding an 8 @-@ 1 record) Heisman voter Rodney Gilmore of ESPN.com had McCoy listed third of five Heisman candidates . Gilmore said , " I love his numbers (78 percent completion percentage , 28 TDs , only 7 interceptions and 2 @,@ 879 yards) and his gutsy second @-@ half performance against Texas Tech . And I have not forgotten about his epic performance against Oklahoma just a few weeks ago . However , Harrell outplayed McCoy head @-@ to @-@ head in the showdown last week , so Harrell has a leg up on him for now , but McCoy is within striking distance . " That same day , the Rocky Mountain News poll listed Harrell first and McCoy second in their weekly poll of 10 Heisman voters . Harrell received 44 points and 7 first @-@ place votes while McCoy had 34 points and 2 first @-@ place votes .

After Oklahoma beat Texas Tech , Oklahoma quarterback Sam Bradford barely took the lead in the Rocky Mountain News poll of 10 Heisman Trophy voters . The Austin American @-@ Statesman reported , " Bradford leads Texas ? Colt McCoy by just one point . In terms of first @-@ place votes , Bradford received five , while McCoy received three . The others went to Texas Tech ? s Graham Harrell , who had led the poll since Tech ? s win over Texas , and Florida ? s Tim Tebow , last year ? s Heisman winner . "

On November 25 , 2008 Colt McCoy was named one of three finalists for the Maxwell Award , which is presented to the top all @-@ around player in the country . The other finalists were Florida quarterback Tim Tebow , the prior year 's winner , and Texas Tech quarterback Graham Harrell . Oklahoma 's Sam Bradford was not selected as a finalist . McCoy also was named a finalist for the Davey O'Brien Award , which goes to the country 's top quarterback . Bradford and Harrell were the other two candidates ; Tebow did not make the list for this award .

After McCoy led the Longhorns to a victory over rival , unranked Texas A & M (a team he had lost

to twice in the past) , Sports Illustrated analyst Stewart Mandel said the quarterback took a big step towards claiming the Heisman Trophy . Mandel wrote , " From the Longhorns ' opening touchdown drive , in which he accounted for 67 of Texas ' 80 yards , McCoy was very much the one @-@ man wrecking crew he 's been all season long ... His final numbers in just over three quarters of work Thursday night : 23 @-@ of @-@ 28 passing for 311 yards and two touchdowns and 11 rushes for 49 yards , with touchdown runs of 16 and 14 yards . For the season , McCoy now has a 77 @. @ 6 completion percentage (soon to be a new NCAA record) for 3 @, @ 445 yards , 32 touchdowns and seven interceptions , plus 476 yards and 13 TDs running " Comparing McCoy to fellow Big 12 South quarterbacks Sam Bradford and Graham Harrell , Mandel said , " But here 's where McCoy stands out to me . Bradford , as talented as he is , is helped by the fact he has a trio of explosive receivers and two potential 1 @, @ 000 @-@ yard rushers behind him . Harrell has Michael Crabtree . Daniel has Jeremy Maclin . With all due respect to Jordan Shipley and Quan Cosby , McCoy is Texas ' offense . Much like Tim Tebow last season , he 's both his team 's leading passer and rusher . Also like Tebow ? you have to wonder sometimes how he 's still standing . McCoy was sacked three times Thursday night and endured several brutal hits . Following his third @-@ quarter touchdown run , trainers attended to his shoulder on the sideline . But he was right back in there the next series . " Bradford and Harrell each had one regular @-@ season game left , against Oklahoma State and Baylor , respectively . Tebow had games remaining against Florida State and Alabama .

In the final 2008 Rocky Mountain News poll before the Heisman votes were announced , McCoy moved to the top of the list , but had a very thin lead over Sam Bradford and Tim Tebow , who were in second and third place , respectively . The poll had correctly predicted the Heisman winner in 18 of the previous 21 years . On December 10 , McCoy , Bradford , and Tebow were selected as the three finalists for the Heisman Trophy . Bradford won the trophy with 1 @, @ 726 total points , and McCoy finished second with 1 @, @ 604 points in the Heisman voting .

In 2009 , McCoy was again in strong consideration for the Heisman , even with the two previous Heisman winners coming back for their senior seasons . At the start of the season he and Tebow were considered the favorites . But McCoy 's numbers were down a little from 2008 , and despite leading his team to the BCS Championship game , his chances of winning disappeared during a close 13 @-@ 12 Big 12 Title game in which he threw 3 interceptions , no touchdowns and nearly threw the game away at the end . Despite this , he still had an outstanding season and was again named a finalist , this time along with Tim Tebow , Mark Ingram , Jr , Toby Gerhart and Ndamukong Suh . He became only the 2nd Longhorn , along with Ricky Williams , to be a two @-@ time Heisman finalist . He finished third behind Ingram and Gerhart .

= = Professional career = =

= = = Pre @-@ draft = = =

In October 2008 McCoy said he would stay at Texas for his senior year instead of leaving for the 2009 NFL Draft . McCoy was quoted as saying , " I 'm going to play here for four years . I 've been blessed to be able to play here . Not very many people get to [start] here for four years , so what an opportunity . And if the NFL is there for me , then I hope that I 'll get to keep playing , because I love to play this game . Hopefully , it will work out . "

After a 49 ? 9 victory over Texas A & M on November 27 , 2008 , McCoy said that he still intended to come back for his senior year , but that it would be " foolish " for him not to ask the NFL to evaluate his draft prospects . McCoy said that if he were rated a first- or second @-@ round draft pick , he might change his mind about staying . McCoy said , " But at the same time , I want to play four years here . Not very many people have had the opportunity to do that . That 's something that 's real special to me and important to me . "

On December 8 , 2008 , after the Longhorns learned they had been passed over for the national championship game , McCoy said he would return to the team for his senior year . McCoy indicated

he wanted to play for a national championship . He also said , " I ? m coming back because we have a solid coaching staff , and I ? m coming back because I feel like I can develop the young receivers we have . "

McCoy injured his throwing arm in the BCS title game against Alabama with a pinched nerve . He announced he would not attend the NFL Combine and instead performed during the University of Texas pro workout day . Opinions over McCoy 's potential in the NFL were mixed . Frank Cooney of USA Today noted that McCoy " fired mostly from a shotgun , has a low release point and might lack an NFL fastball . " He was listed by Cooney as the 3rd best QB draft choice in 2010 , behind Sam Bradford and Jimmy Clausen .

Prior to the draft , McCoy said he had " no expectations " .

= = = Cleveland Browns = = =

= = = = 2010 = = = =

McCoy was drafted in the third round as the 85th overall pick by the Cleveland Browns in the 2010 NFL Draft . One reporter commented that McCoy was drafted later than expected because " he lacks NFL size ... , has small hands and was injured in the last game of his career at Texas . " In response to being chosen by Cleveland , McCoy said , " I can 't wait to be a Cleveland Brown and that we 're going to win a lot of games . Cleveland has a little orange in their jerseys just like UT . It 's a perfect fit . " On July 23 , McCoy agreed to terms on a four @-@ year , \$ 5 million contract .

Pointing out that Cleveland already had three quarterbacks , Browns president Mike Holmgren said McCoy would likely not play his first season with the team in order to develop him as an NFL quarterback . However , because injuries to starting quarterback Jake Delhomme and back @-@ up Seneca Wallace , McCoy made his first career start against the Pittsburgh Steelers in week 6 . McCoy completed 23 of 33 passes for 281 yards , a touchdown , and two interceptions in the Browns ' loss . He also scrambled four times for 22 yards . McCoy started the following week against the New Orleans Saints and contributed to the surprising victory over the defending Super Bowl champions 30 @-@ 17 in New Orleans . On November 7 , McCoy made his third consecutive start and led the Browns to another upset victory , this time against the New England Patriots 34 @-@ 14 . He then started again on November 14 against the New York Jets ; however the Browns lost in overtime with McCoy throwing for 205 yards and a touchdown . McCoy injured his ankle in week 11 against the Jacksonville Jaguars and missed the next three weeks before returning to start under center against the Cincinnati Bengals in week 15 . McCoy threw for 243 yards and 2 touchdowns with no interceptions , but Cleveland lost . In each of the final two games against division rivals Baltimore and Pittsburgh , McCoy threw 3 interceptions as the Browns lost both games . McCoy finished the season with 6 touchdowns against 9 interceptions .

= = = = 2011 = = = =

After a long awaited pre @-@ season after the agreements from the NFL lockout , and the release of Delhomme , McCoy became the starter for the Browns . In the home opener against the Bengals , McCoy threw 19 for 40 attempts throwing 213 yards with two touchdowns and one interception in a 27 @-@ 17 loss . The next two weeks , the Browns defeated the Indianapolis Colts and the Miami Dolphins with McCoy throwing combined 41 of 71 attempts , 421 yards , and 3 touchdowns with 1 interception . Against the Tennessee Titans in week 5 , Colt threw 1 touchdown and 1 interception in a 13 @-@ 31 loss . After a bye week , McCoy and the Browns lost to the Oakland Raiders 17 @-@ 24 , McCoy threw for 215 yards with 2 touchdowns and no interceptions . After the loss to the Oakland Raiders the Browns played the Seattle Seahawks and won 6 @-@ 3 as McCoy finished with 178 yards , no touchdowns , and 1 interception . Against the Pittsburgh Steelers in Week 14 , McCoy threw 2 interceptions and no touchdowns in a 3 @-@ 14 loss where McCoy would also sustain a concussion . His father raised eyebrows when he questioned whether or not McCoy 's

team had properly evaluated him for the concussion prior to returning to the game . McCoy stated that he did not remember anything . James Harrison , the Steelers player responsible for the helmet @-@ to @-@ helmet hit on McCoy , was subsequently punished by being suspended for the Steelers ' next game against the San Francisco 49ers .

===== 2012 =====

McCoy spent the 2012 season backing up Browns ' rookie first round pick Brandon Weeden . When Weeden was injured against the Denver Broncos , McCoy completed 9 out of his 17 pass attempts for 79 yards .

===== San Francisco 49ers =====

===== 2013 =====

On April 1 , 2013 the Browns traded McCoy and a 2013 6th round pick to the San Francisco 49ers in exchange for San Francisco 's 2013 7th and 5th round picks .

===== Washington Redskins =====

===== 2014 =====

McCoy signed with the Washington Redskins on April 3 , 2014 . On October 19 , 2014 against the Tennessee Titans , McCoy replaced Kirk Cousins after halftime , with Washington trailing 10 @-@ 6 and Cousins having caused two turnovers . On his first pass , McCoy completed a 70 @-@ yd touchdown pass to Pierre Garçon . McCoy then went on to lead the Redskins on a game @-@ winning drive , winning the game 19 @-@ 17 . On October 27 , 2014 , McCoy was named the starter over Cousins , and had his first start on the team against the Dallas Cowboys . In his first start since 2011 , McCoy completed 25 of 30 passes for 300 yards with a rushing touchdown and an interception , earning an overtime victory against the Cowboys , his favorite team growing up . The team benched him for injured starting quarterback Robert Griffin III after McCoy 's two victories . The team lost the next 3 games without McCoy . On November 25 , it was reported that McCoy would replace the benched Griffin in the November 30 game against the Indianapolis Colts . McCoy was placed on injured reserve on December 16 due to a neck injury he suffered in a shutout loss to the St. Louis Rams .

===== 2015 =====

McCoy re @-@ signed with the Redskins on March 17 , 2015 . He spent the regular season as Kirk Cousins ' backup , getting into two games and going 7 @-@ for @-@ 11 for 128 yards and one touchdown for the season .

===== 2016 =====

McCoy signed a three @-@ year contract extension with the Redskins on March 9 , 2016 .

== Personal life ==

McCoy enjoys hunting , fishing , and playing golf . On May 29 , 2006 , he swam 300 yards across a lake to help save the life of Ken Herrington who was having a seizure on a small dock that extended into the privately owned lake .

While in Austin , Texas , Colt was active in the UT community service program including visits to the Austin 's Children 's Hospital and volunteering at the Children 's Miracle Network telethon . McCoy also took a trip to Peru to take care of some missionary work and also visited hospital patients . Colt McCoy was the roommate of his favorite receiving target at Texas , Jordan Shipley . McCoy 's father was the roommate of Shipley 's father at Abilene Christian University . Colt 's younger brother Case and Jordan 's younger brother Jaxon were also roommates at the University of Texas and played the same positions as Colt and Jordan . McCoy has already extended a generous hearty healthy message to the children of Central Texas by joining the ambassadors of Scott & White Hospital Pediatric Division as they transitioned into new facilities in Temple , Texas in 2010 and Killeen , Texas in 2011 .

McCoy is a member of the Church of Christ , and attended Westover Hills Church of Christ in Austin , Texas . When living in Buffalo Gap , Colt attended and was very involved with the Oldham Lane Church of Christ . McCoy has participated in a church youth group since 2002 . His work has included landscaping yards for the elderly , visiting nursing homes , helping with meals on wheels and ministry . Fellow quarterback Tim Tebow said of McCoy , " I was really proud of him because I think he represents college football and his faith extremely well , too , which I really respect as well . I think he 's done a good job with everything he 's going through . "

His grandfather , Burl McCoy , is a member of the Abilene Christian University (ACU) Sports Hall of Fame for his exploits both as an athlete and as the former women 's basketball coach . Colt McCoy 's younger brother Chance McCoy was a wide receiver at ACU . His youngest brother Case McCoy quarterbacked at the University of Texas and now resides and works in the Austin area .

Some media features on Colt McCoy refer to him jokingly as " The Real McCoy " because of his performance on the field as well as his leadership and personality .

McCoy was selected to welcome President George W. Bush home to Texas after his second term ended on January 20 , 2009 .

On January 12 , 2010 , Colt became engaged to his girlfriend , Rachel Glandorf , former middle @-@ distance Track and Field athlete for Baylor University , by proposing on the screen at DKR @-@ Memorial Stadium in Austin . Their marriage took place on July 17 , 2010 .