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JETS HEAD COACH ERIC MANGINI, 49ERS HEAD COACH MIKE NOLAN & EAGLES HEAD COACH ANDY REID CANDIDATES FOR MOTOROLA NFL COACH OF THE WEEK AWARD

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Head coaches **ERIC MANGINI** of the New York Jets, **MIKE NOLAN** of the San Francisco 49ers and **ANDY REID** of the Philadelphia Eagles are the nominees for Motorola NFL Coach of the Week honors for games played December 14, 16-18, the NFL announced today.

Fans can vote on NFL.com for the head coach whose game plan played the greatest role in his team's victory. Voting will take place from Tuesday morning through noon EST on Thursday to determine the Motorola NFL Coach of the Week. The winner will be announced Thursday afternoon on NFL.com. In January, voting will be held on NFL.com to determine the Motorola NFL Coach of the Year.

A closer look at the Motorola NFL Coach of the Week nominees:

- With his team battling for a playoff spot, ERIC MANGINI led the New York Jets into Minnesota and came away with a 26-13 victory to keep the Jets in the thick of the AFC Wild Card race. Behind 339 passing yards and one touchdown from quarterback Chad Pennington and wide receiver Laveranues Coles' 12 catches for 144 yards and one touchdown, the Jets improved to 8-6. Jets kicker Mike Nugent converted on all four of his field goal attempts, including a 52-yarder in the second quarter.
- ANDY REID's Philadelphia Eagles went into the Meadowlands on Sunday and defeated the NFC Eastrival New York Giants 36-22 to improve to 8-6 and seize control of their playoff destiny. Quarterback
 Jeff Garcia threw for 237 yards and one touchdown, and running backs Brian Westbrook and Correll
 Buckhalter combined for 145 yards and three touchdowns in the game. The Eagles' defense forced
 three turnovers and scored on a 19-yard interception return by Trent Cole late in the fourth quarter to
 seal the victory.
- MIKE NOLAN helped keep his San Francisco 49ers' playoff hopes alive, directing his young team to a
 24-14 victory over the NFC West-rival Seahawks in Seattle to improve to 6-8 and within 2 games of the
 Seahawks for the division title. Quarterback Alex Smith threw for 162 yards and two touchdowns and
 ran for another score, while running back Frank Gore ran for 144 yards and caught a 20-yard
 touchdown pass in the fourth quarter. The 49ers' defense recorded two interceptions in the win.

Motorola's brand has become synonymous with NFL coaches through the coaches' headsets worn during every NFL game. Motorola believes NFL coaches are game-changing innovators whose creativity and expertise fuels the exciting brand of football enjoyed by millions of fans around the world.