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Caldera Tigers Win Regional Championship
Quarterback Jalen Rivera threw for 312 yards and four touchdowns as the Caldera Tigers defeated the Northgate Knights 38–21 on Saturday at Memorial Stadium, clinching the program's first regional championship since 2014. The Tigers, who entered the game as the No. 3 seed, trailed 14–7 at halftime before scoring 31 unanswered points in the second half.
Rivera connected with wide receiver Marcus Holloway on a 47-yard touchdown pass with 6:12 remaining in the fourth quarter to put Caldera ahead for good. Holloway finished with seven receptions for 128 yards. Defensive end Tyler Brennan recorded three sacks and forced two fumbles, both of which led to Caldera touchdowns.
Head coach Dana Whitfield praised the team's resilience after the halftime deficit. "We knew we had the talent to be in this position all season," Whitfield said. "The kids refused to panic. They trusted the game plan and trusted each other, and that's why they're going to the championship."
The Tigers will face the Eastport Mariners in the championship game next Saturday at 1 p.m. Tickets are available at the athletic department box office and online.
Fall Harvest Festival Returns to Riverside Park
The annual Fall Harvest Festival will return to Riverside Park this weekend, Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Organizers expect more than 15,000 visitors.
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