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In an unforgettable showdown on September 21st, the Southeast Trojans displayed outstanding determination and resilience as they clinched a nail-biting overtime victory over Northampton County, emerging victorious with a final score of 28 to 26. The Southeast Trojans' players and coaching staff showcased their unwavering spirit, marking a turning point for the team and leaving an indelible mark in the annals of high school football history.

Head Coach Antoine Alston shared his thoughts on the monumental game, stating, "This game was one of the greatest games I have ever been a part of. The team played exceptionally well together. We lost our focus in the first half and started talking to each other more than we were paying attention to the other team. However, we remembered that we were veterans at halftime and came back stronger in the second half. We played well and did what we were supposed to do. I'm proud of these guys; we have come so far, The Trojan Way!"

Superintendent Dr. Eric Cunningham expressed his pride in the Southeast Trojans' achievement, stating, "The Southeast Trojans' victory on September 21st is a testament to our student-athletes' dedication, resilience, and teamwork. This win showcases their athletic prowess and highlights the values of determination and unity that our school instills in its students. I commend Coach Antoine Alston and the entire team for their outstanding performance and their commitment to excellence on and off the field."

Trayvese Silver #1, known as "QB1," expressed his pride in the team's performance, stating, "I felt like that was a great game, and how we fought through adversity. I'm proud of the team and also proud of the coaches. We all stepped up, and that played a big role. But this is only the beginning, the ring is coming soon."

Rodney Johnson #5 shared his thoughts on the game, emphasizing the team's unity, "About the game, I feel great about it for real, for real. I feel like all the boys stepped up and did what we were





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supposed to do. I love how everyone came together as a team to come back and win when everyone thought the game was over. It felt good to beat Northampton for the first time, and that game-winner felt crazy. I felt like I didn't let anybody down, and I put the city on."

Jamereius Hudson #2, known as "Man Man," reflected on the significance of the game, "The game meant so much to me because ever since we've been in high school, we never came close to beating Northampton. We played together as a team through the ups and downs of the game, and we overcame adversity and came out on top with 6 minutes to go in the 4th quarter. We're coming for everything we deserve."



Travis Johnson Jr. #7 shared the team's journey, "I felt like we went back to the old ways in the first half when we were fussing at each other and wouldn't listen to each other. In the second half, we all came together, stopped fussing, and played how we were supposed to play. The coaches were listening to us,

and we fought through adversity to come out with the win. That meant everything, knowing Southeast hasn't beaten Northampton since 2014, was a big moment to finally get a win over them in our last season."

Donte Fields #65, known affectionately as "Big Sexy," recounted the team's remarkable turnaround: "The first half for us wasn't anything glamorous. Mistakes were made. Down 20-6 at halftime, it was time to fight. We came back into the half with a mentality that we weren't going to be beaten. And as you can see, we didn't allow them to win. It felt great to bring down the team that was supposed to be 'unbeatable' within this conference. It felt great to crawl out of 'the cage,' knowing that the jaguar had been put to rest. This is a special group of players and coaches here in Trojan Land, and we are coming for the throne."

The Southeast Trojans' remarkable victory on September 21st will be remembered as a defining moment in their season, showcasing the unwavering spirit and unity that defines their team. The Trojans are poised for a bright future as they continue to pursue excellence on the field, with their eyes set firmly on the championship ring.

