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Campolindo takes the title in a fourthquarter thriller - read the story on page C1.

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The Campolindo varsity football team gave head coach Kevin Macy a gift he has never received. The team won the CIF Division III State Championship on Dec. 20. In 19 years as Campolindo's head coach, Macy has never won the title. In his second trip to the finals since 2011, the Cougars pulled off a 35-28 improbable win against El Capitan.

Quarterback Jack Stephens said it was the greatest game he's ever been a part of.

In the third quarter, the Cougars found themselves down 28-7 after El Capitan scored backto-back touchdowns. Despite a 21-point hole heading into the fourth quarter, Macy looked to inspire his team, telling them to play for personal pride. The outcome was unexpected.

Senior Adam Remotto scored two touchdowns on passes from Stephens. Stephens was 19-of-32 for 291 yards and four touchdowns on the game. Down a score, Max Flowers scored his second touchdown of the afternoon on a 14-yard throw

from Stephens.

With 35 seconds to play and the game tied, El Capitan was within field goal range. On a second down play, Tiger Garcia forced a fumble. Remotto recovered the ball and ran it back 85 yards for the win.



The Campolindo football team poses with their State Championship trophy. It is the program's first title. Photos Gint Federas



Adam Remotto (25) ran a fumble-recovery back for the game winning touchdown. Tyler Petite (8) followed behind ready to celebrate.

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