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**TEXANS QB DAVID CARR, COLTS QB PEYTON MANNING &
FALCONS QB MICHAEL VICK; CHIEFS RB LARRY JOHNSON,
VIKINGS RB CHESTER TAYLOR & JETS RB LEON WASHINGTON
CANDIDATES FOR FEDEX AIR & GROUND®
NFL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK HONORS**

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Quarterbacks **DAVID CARR** of the Houston Texans, **PEYTON MANNING** of the Indianapolis Colts and **MICHAEL VICK** of the Atlanta Falcons are the finalists for FedEx Express NFL Player of the Week honors for games played on October 22-23, while running backs **LARRY JOHNSON** of the Kansas City Chiefs, **CHESTER TAYLOR** of the Minnesota Vikings and **LEON WASHINGTON** of the New York Jets are the finalists for FedEx Ground NFL Player of the Week honors, the NFL announced today.

Fans can vote for one player in each category on NFL.com from 9am EST on Tuesday through 6pm EST on Thursday to determine the FedEx Air & Ground NFL Players of the Week. The winners will be announced Thursday evening on NFL.com.

Fans will be voting for more than their favorite player. For the third season in a row, the weekly FedEx Air & Ground NFL Players of the Week Awards are a win for the local community. Along with the award, FedEx will donate \$5,000 every week to the local children's hospital in each winning market. The children's hospitals in the two season-long winner's markets, announced at this year's Super Bowl, will be awarded \$25,000 each. That means that FedEx will deliver nearly \$250,000 to local children's hospitals around the country in recognition of the FedEx Air & Ground NFL Players of the Week Award winners.

A closer look at the FedEx Express NFL Player of the Week finalists:

- Houston's **DAVID CARR** completed 25 of 34 passes for 224 yards and two touchdowns, with a passer rating of 110.4 in the Texans' 27-7 victory over the AFC South-rival Jacksonville Jaguars. Carr threw a 35-yard touchdown pass to Andre Johnson in the second quarter, followed by a 14-yard fourth-quarter TD strike to Owen Daniels.
- Indianapolis' **PEYTON MANNING** threw for 342 yards, completing 25 of 35 passes with four touchdowns for a passer rating of 140.4 in the Colts' 36-22 victory over the Washington Redskins. Manning threw a one-yard touchdown pass in the first quarter, followed by scoring strikes of one, four and 51 yards in the third quarter.
- Atlanta's **MICHAEL VICK** threw a career-high four touchdown passes, completing 18 of 30 attempts for 232 yards in the Falcons' 41-38 overtime victory over the Pittsburgh Steelers. In this back-and-forth shootout, Vick completed touchdown passes of three, 22 and 31 yards to Alge Crumpler and a 17-yarder to Michael Jenkins.

A closer look at the FedEx Ground NFL Player of the Week finalists:

- Minnesota's **CHESTER TAYLOR** rushed for a career-high 169 yards and one touchdown on 26 carries in the Vikings' 31-13 victory over the Seattle Seahawks. Taylor's 95-yard, third-quarter TD run was a franchise record.
- Kansas City's **LARRY JOHNSON** carried 28 times for 132 yards and two touchdowns in the Chiefs' 30-27 victory over the San Diego Chargers. Johnson scored on runs of one and 11 yards in the game.
- The New York Jets' **LEON WASHINGTON** carried 20 times for 129 yards and two touchdowns in the Jets' 31-24 victory over the Detroit Lions. Washington had a long run of 23 yards and scored touchdowns of five and 16 yards.

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