

## **JAMESTOWN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED GATORADE NORTH DAKOTA VOLLEYBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

**CHICAGO** (January 13, 2020) — In its 35<sup>th</sup> year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company today announced **Kameron Selvig of Jamestown High School** as its **2019-20 Gatorade North Dakota Volleyball Player of the Year**. Selvig is the second Gatorade North Dakota Volleyball Player of the Year to be chosen from Jamestown High School.

The award, which recognizes not only outstanding athletic excellence, but also high standards of academic achievement and exemplary character demonstrated on and off the field, distinguishes Selvig as North Dakota's best high school volleyball player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Volleyball Player of the Year award to be announced in January, Selvig joins an elite alumni association of state award-winners in 12 sports, including USA Volleyball players Kayla Banwarth (2006-07, Wahlert High School, Iowa), Alisha Glass (2005-06, Leland Public High School, Mich.), Jordan Larson (2004-05, Logan View High School, Neb.) and Foluke Akinradewo (2004-05, St. Thomas High School, Fla.).

The 5-foot-8 senior setter recorded 883 assists and 172 digs this past season, leading the Blue Jays (26-7) to the Class A state quarterfinals. Selvig also compiled 136 kills, 43 service aces and 34 blocks while posting a kill percentage of .410 and a hitting percentage of .370. The Western Dakota Association Player of the Year, Selvig was a First Team All-State selection. She concluded her prep volleyball career with 1,757 assists.

A long-time member of the Jamestown High School student council, Selvig has volunteered locally as a youth volleyball coach, and she has donated her time as part of multiple community service initiatives through her school's Key Club. "Kameron had the biggest impact on her team's success and she really stood out to me," said Leah Newton, head coach of Sheyenne High School. "You could tell her team looked to her as a leader and as a playmaker."

Selvig has maintained a 4.0 GPA in the classroom and ranks No. 1 in her class. She remains undecided upon a collegiate destination.

The [Gatorade Player of the Year](#) program annually recognizes one winner in the District of Columbia and each of the 50 states that sanction high school football, girls volleyball, boys and girls cross country, boys and girls basketball, boys and girls soccer, baseball, softball, and boys and girls track & field, and awards one National Player of the Year in each sport. The selection process is administered by the Gatorade Player of the Year Selection Committee, which work with top sport-specific experts and a media advisory board of accomplished, veteran prep sports journalists to determine the state winners in each sport.

Selvig joins recent Gatorade North Dakota Volleyball Players of the Year Lauren Ware (2018 – 19, Century High School), Megan Gaffaney (2017-18, Jamestown High School), Regan Dennis (2016-17, Century High School), Katie Scherr (2015-16, Century High School), and Alivia Fraase (2014-15 & 2013-14, Shanley High School) among the state's list of former award winners.

As a part of Gatorade's cause marketing platform "Play it Forward," Selvig has the opportunity to award a \$1,000 grant to a local or national youth sports organization of her choosing. She is also eligible to submit an essay to win one of twelve \$10,000 spotlight grants for the organization of choice, which will be announced throughout the year.

Since the program's inception in 1985, Gatorade Player of the Year award recipients have won hundreds of professional and college championships, and many have also turned into pillars in their communities, becoming coaches, business owners and educators.

To learn more about the Gatorade Player of the Year program, check out past winners or to nominate student-athletes, visit [www.Gatorade.com/POY](http://www.Gatorade.com/POY), on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/GatoradePOY](http://www.facebook.com/GatoradePOY) or follow us on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/Gatorade](http://www.twitter.com/Gatorade).

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