

## PINE-RICHLAND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED GATORADE PENNSYLVANIA VOLLEYBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (January 9, 2026) — In its 41<sup>st</sup> year celebrating the nation's best high school athletes, Gatorade today announced Isabelle Hoppe of Pine-Richland High School is the 2025-26 Gatorade Pennsylvania Volleyball Player of the Year.

Gatorade Player of the Year is the top honor in high school sports, celebrating the nation's best high school athletes for their excellence in sport, academics and community. The award recognizes Hoppe as Pennsylvania's best high school volleyball player, and she joins an elite legacy that spans professional athletes and coaches to CEOs, such as Kerri Walsh Jennings (1995-96, Archbishop Mitty High School, CA), April Ross (1999-00, Newport Harbor High School, CA) and Campbell Flynn (2024-25, Mercy High School, MI).

The 5-foot-8 senior setter and right-side hitter recorded 572 assists and 260 kills this past season, leading the Rams (20-11) to the Class 4A state championship match. Hoppe also compiled 219 digs and 34 service aces while posting a .455 kill percentage and a .351 hitting percentage. A member of the USA Volleyball Under-21 Women's National Team training roster, Hoppe is a four-time Class 4A First Team All-State selection. She concluded her prep volleyball career with 1,301 assists, 769 kills and 722 digs.

Hoppe has volunteered locally delivering food to a women's shelter, and she has donated her time as a youth volleyball coach. "As a setter and right-side hitter, Hoppe is incredibly versatile," said Eryn Brady, head coach of Garnet Valley High School. "She made an impact on almost every play. She was [one of] PR's top hitters and adding that to the strenuous job of setting in the back row was really impressive."

Hoppe has maintained a weighted 3.75 GPA in the classroom. She has signed a written letter of athletic aid to play volleyball at the University of Pittsburgh this fall.

The [Gatorade Player of the Year](#) program annually recognizes one state winner from each of the 50 states and Washington D.C., in 12 different sports: football, girls volleyball, boys and girls cross country, boys and girls basketball, baseball, softball, boys and girls soccer, and boys and girls track & field. In total, 610 high school athletes are honored each year. From the pool of state winners, one national winner is selected in each of the 12 sports. The selection process is administered by the Gatorade Player of the Year Selection Committee, which leverages experts including coaches, scouts, media and others as sources to help evaluate and determine the winners in each sport.

As part of Gatorade's commitment to breaking down barriers in sport, every Player of the Year also receives a grant to donate to a social impact partner. To date, the Gatorade Player of the Year program has provided more than \$6.4 million in grants to winners across more than 2,200 organizations.

To learn more about the Gatorade Player of the Year program, check out past winners or to nominate student-athletes, visit [playeroftheyear.gatorade.com](http://playeroftheyear.gatorade.com) or follow us on social media on Instagram at [instagram.com/Gatorade](https://www.instagram.com/Gatorade), Facebook at [facebook.com/GatoradePOY](https://www.facebook.com/GatoradePOY) and X (Twitter) at [x.com/Gatorade](https://www.x.com/Gatorade).

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