

MILLWOOD HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED GATORADE OKLAHOMA BOYS BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (March 20, 2026) — In its 41st year celebrating the nation’s best high school athletes, Gatorade today announced Isaiah Wilks of Millwood High School is the 2025-26 Gatorade Oklahoma Boys Basketball 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 Wilks as Oklahoma’s best high school boys basketball player, and he joins an elite legacy that spans professional athletes and coaches to CEOs, such as Jayson Tatum (2015-16, Chaminade College Preparatory School, MO), Cooper Flagg (2023-24, Montverde Academy, FL) and Cameron Boozer (2022-23 & 2024-25, Christopher Columbus High School, FL).

The 5-foot-10, 165-pound senior point guard led the Falcons (27-2) to the Class 3A state title, averaging 23.7 points, 6.7 rebounds and 4.1 assists per game this past season. Wilks chipped in 3.6 steals per game, shooting better than 40 percent from beyond the arc and hitting more than 85 percent of his free throws in supporting the program’s 19th state championship run. He averaged 20 points in three state tournament games and was named Class 3A Tournament MVP. Ranked as the nation’s No. 211 prospect in his class by 247Sports, he was also the 2026 GMAC Player of the Year.

Wilks has volunteered locally as part of youth outreach programs, charity fundraisers and initiatives that support families and children in need. A devoted parishioner of his church community, he has also donated his time via faith-based service and mentorship opportunities in addition to coaching and instructing at youth basketball camps. “Isaiah is very skilled, has a high basketball IQ and plays the game the right way,” said Kellen McCoy, head coach at Norman North High School. “He’s a tenacious defender of all 94 feet of the court and he’s a point guard capable of scoring at all three levels in addition to making plays and leading his team. He’s just a winner.”

Wilks has maintained a weighted 3.90 GPA in the classroom. He has signed a written letter of athletic aid to play basketball at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette 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 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.

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