

CARMEL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED GATORADE INDIANA BOYS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (June 12, 2026) — In its 41st year celebrating the nation’s best high school athletes, Gatorade today announced Quinn Wu of Carmel High School is the 2025-26 Gatorade Indiana Boys Soccer 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 Wu as Indiana’s best high school boys soccer player, and he joins an elite legacy that spans professional athletes and coaches to CEOs, such as Alecko Eskandarian (1999-00, Bergen Catholic High School, New Jersey), Cristian Roldan (2012-13, El Rancho High School, California) and Dan Klink (2024-25, Loyola Blakefield, Maryland).

The 5-foot-7, 145-pound senior midfielder led the Greyhounds to a 18-1-3 record and the Class 3A state championship this past season. Wu scored seven goals and passed for seven assists while anchoring a defense that surrendered just 10 goals all year. The Indiana High School Coaches Association’s Player of the Year, he is also a 2025 United Soccer Coaches All-American.

Wu has volunteered locally with Grace Church food pantry, an organization that feeds over 300 families. He has also donated his time as a K-8 peer mentor and tutor. “Quinn is a phenomenal player,” said Bryan Clouse, head coach of Harrison High School. “He doesn’t overwhelm you with stats, but he’s one of the best box-to-box players and creates for his entire team. He’s fun to watch, explosive, dynamic and absolutely lethal in counter-attacking situations. Carmel is the only team to beat us this year and they did it twice. They were the best team we played and had the best player.”

Wu has maintained a 4.30 weighted GPA in the classroom. He will matriculate at Indiana University this fall, but will not continue playing soccer.

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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