

LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED GATORADE OREGON GIRLS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (June 18, 2026) — In its 41st year celebrating the nation’s best high school athletes, Gatorade today announced Frances Reuland of Lincoln High School is the 2025-26 Gatorade Oregon Girls 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 Reuland as Oregon’s best high school girls soccer player, and she joins an elite legacy that spans professional athletes and coaches to CEOs, such as Mallory Swanson (2014-15, Mountain Vista High School, Colorado), Riley Jackson (2021-22, Blessed Trinity Catholic High School, Georgia) and Addison Halpern (2024-25, Rutgers Preparatory School, New Jersey).

The 5-foot-9 senior midfielder and forward led the Cardinals to a 16-2 record and the Class 6A state semifinals this past season. Reuland scored 23 goals and passed for 13 assists, accounting for over 85 percent of her team’s goals throughout the year. A two-time PIL Player of the Year, she is a three-time First Team All-State selection.

Reuland has volunteered locally as an assistant coach for the 2015 Thorns ECNL team in addition to coaching at multiple youth soccer camps. “While she’s an incredibly talented soccer player and leader within her team, the thing that stands out is her personality and kindness,” said JD Penilton, head coach of McDaniel High School. “I’ve never coached a player who’s received so much praise from my own team. She’s a fierce competitor, but also recognizes the sport is a game and treats every player with respect and kindness. Her teammates have been lucky to have her for the past four years, the PIL has been lucky to get to compete against her for four years and high school soccer has been lucky to have her as an example of youth leadership both on and off the field.”

Reuland has maintained a 4.00 GPA in the classroom. She has signed a written letter of athletic aid to play soccer on scholarship at Xavier University (Ohio) 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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