

MID-PACIFIC INSTITUTE STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED GATORADE HAWAII GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (June 25, 2026) — In its 41st year celebrating the nation’s best high school athletes, Gatorade today announced Destiny Look of Mid-Pacific Institute is the 2025-26 Gatorade Hawaii Girls Track and Field 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 Look as Hawaii’s best high school girls track and field athlete and she joins an elite legacy that spans professional athletes and coaches to CEOs, such as Sanya Richards (2001-02, St. Thomas Aquinas High School, Florida), Sydney McLaughlin-Levrone (2015-16 & 2016-17, Union Catholic Regional High School, New Jersey) and Jane Hedengren (2024-25, Timpview High School, Utah).

The two-time returning Gatorade Player of the Year, the 6-foot senior took second in the heptathlon at the USATF Under-20 Championships earlier this month, earning a spot to represent Team USA at the World Athletics Under-20 Championships in August. Look’s heptathlon tally of 5,330 points broke her own state record by 262 points and ranked No. 2 nationally among prep girls competitors this spring as well as No. 16 in prep history. At the state meet, she won the 100-meter high hurdles, the 300 intermediate hurdles, the high jump, the long jump and the triple jump, leading the Owls to the team title.

Look has volunteered locally on behalf of the Hawaii Humane Society in Honolulu, caring for shelter animals and serving as a foster owner for dogs. She has also donated her time as a youth track coach and mentor. “Look’s tireless zeal to compete is what fuels her improvement and maximizes the most of any opportunities that come her way,” said Rich Gonzalez, editor of PrepCalTrack.com. “Even at the Nike Outdoor Nationals, she competed in four more events after excelling in the grueling seven-event heptathlon during the opening days of the meet. In short, she actively chases success.”

Look has maintained a 3.68 GPA in the classroom. She has signed a written letter of athletic aid to compete on scholarship at Southern Methodist University 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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