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**GONZAGA COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED  
GATORADE® DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOOTBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (December 2, 2010) — In its third decade of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with ESPN RISE, today announced Kevin Hogan of Gonzaga College High School as its 2010-11 Gatorade District of Columbia Football Player of the Year. Hogan is the fifth Gatorade District of Columbia Football Player of the Year to be chosen from Gonzaga College High School.

The award, which recognizes not only outstanding athletic excellence, but also high standards of academic achievement and exemplary character demonstrated on and off the field, distinguishes Hogan as District of Columbia's best high school football player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Football Player of the Year award announced in December, Hogan joins an elite alumni association of past state award-winners in 12 sports, including Mark Sanchez (2004-05, Mission Viejo HS, Calif.), Wes Welker (1999-00, Heritage Hall HS, Okla.), Terrell Suggs (1999-00, Hamilton HS, Ariz.), Anquan Boldin (1998-99, Pahokee HS, Fla.) and Jerome Bettis (1989-90, Mackenzie HS, Mich.).

The 6-foot-4, 200-pound senior quarterback passed for 1,885 yards and 14 touchdowns this past season, completing 123 of 227 attempts and leading the Purple Eagles (7-4) to the Washington Catholic Athletic Conference playoffs. Hogan also rushed for 404 yards and four touchdowns on 53 carries. He was a First Team All-WCAC and Second Team *Washington Post* All-Met Team selection in 2009.

Hogan has maintained a 3.11 GPA in the classroom. He has volunteered locally at the Father McKenna Center soup kitchen and as a youth football camp counselor.

"Hogan is outstanding," said Bill McGregor, head coach of rival DeMatha High. "He can throw the ball anywhere on the field, and he's big and strong enough to run the ball against you too."

Hogan has verbally committed to play football on scholarship at Stanford University beginning in the fall of 2011.

The Gatorade Player of the Year program annually recognizes one winner in the District of Columbia and each of the 50 states that sanction high school football, girls volleyball, boys and girls cross country, boys and girls basketball, boys and girls soccer, baseball, softball, and boys and girls track & field, and awards one National Player of the Year in each sport. The selection process is administered by ESPN RISE and the Gatorade high school sports leadership team, which work with top sport-specific experts and a media advisory board of accomplished, veteran prep sports journalists to determine the state winners in each sport.

Hogan joins recent Gatorade District of Columbia Football Players of the Year Ricardo Young (2009-10, HD Woodson), Darin Drakeford (2008-09, Roosevelt) and Antwon Bailey (2007-08, St. John's College) among the state's list of former award winners.

To keep up to date on the latest happenings, become a fan of Gatorade Player of the Year on Facebook and follow us on Twitter. For more on the Gatorade Player of the Year program, including nomination information, a complete list of past winners, and the announcement of the Gatorade National Player of the Year, visit [playeroftheyear.gatorade.com](http://playeroftheyear.gatorade.com).

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