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**BISHOP DWENGER HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED
GATORADE INDIANA GIRLS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (February 11, 2010) — In its 25th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with ESPN RISE, today announced Sarah Killion of Bishop Dwenger High School as its 2009-10 Gatorade Indiana Girls Soccer Player of the Year. Killion is the first Gatorade Indiana Girls Soccer Player of the Year to be chosen from Bishop Dwenger 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 Killion as Indiana's best high school girls soccer player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Girls Soccer Player of the Year award to be announced in May, Killion joins an elite alumni association of past state award-winners in 12 sports, including Abby Wambach (1997-98, Our Lady of Mercy, N.Y.), Derek Jeter (1991-92, Kalamazoo HS, Mich.), Candace Parker (2001-02, Naperville Central HS, Ill.), Kevin Garnett (1992-93, Maudlin HS, S.C.), Alexi Lalas (1987-88, Cranbrook HS, Mich.), Heather O'Reilly (2001-02, East Brunswick HS, N.J.) and Mark Sanchez (2004-05, Mission Viejo HS, Calif.).

The 5-foot-8 junior midfielder recorded 14 goals and 17 assists this past season, leading the Saints (12-5) to the first round of the Homestead Sectional tournament. Also the 2008-09 Gatorade Indiana Girls Soccer Player of the Year and a member of the U.S. Soccer Federation Under-18 Women's National Team player pool, Killion was a 2009 ESPN RISE Second Team All-American selection and an Indiana Soccer Coaches Association First Team All-State pick for the second straight year. She has recorded 41 goals and 54 assists to this point in her varsity career.

Killion has maintained an A average in the classroom. A member of the National Honor Society, she has volunteered locally as a youth soccer instructor and as a counselor at a camp for underprivileged children in addition to serving as a Bishop Dwenger Student Ambassador escort to prospective students.

"Sarah Killion's ability to read the game is what sets her apart," said Jason Lee, a club coach with the Fort Wayne Fever. "Opponents draw to her and she's able to distribute, that's her main talent—the ability to read the game and see the passing lanes. If I was going to build a program, I would build it around her."

Killion has verbally committed to play soccer on scholarship at UCLA 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.

Killion joins recent Gatorade Indiana Girls Soccer Players of the Year Ashley Auld (2007-08, Noblesville) and Julie Scheidler (2006-07, Bishop Chatard) among the state's list of former award winners.

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