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## EDMOND NORTH HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED GATORADE OKLAHOMA GIRLS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (May 13, 2010) — In its 25<sup>th</sup> year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with ESPN RISE, today announced Hayley Harryman of Edmond North High School as its 2009-10 Gatorade Oklahoma Girls Soccer Player of the Year. Harryman is the second Gatorade Oklahoma Girls Soccer Player of the Year to be chosen from Edmond North 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 Harryman as Oklahoma'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, Harryman 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-10 senior goalkeeper has recorded 12 shutouts and a 0.53 goals-against average this season, leading the Huskies (16-1) to the Class 6A final against Union, scheduled for May 15. An All-District and All-Conference selection each of the last two years, Harryman has also been named to this year's All-State team.

Harryman has maintained a 4.23 GPA in the classroom. She has volunteered locally on behalf of blood donation drives, clothing drives, the Special Olympics and as part of a fundraising campaign to benefit the Oklahoma Brain Tumor Foundation.

"Harryman is a very aggressive player," said Larry Truesdell, head coach of rival Edmond Santa Fe. "She doesn't sit back on her line and rely on athleticism. She's going to come out and attack you."

Harryman has signed a National Letter of Intent to play soccer on scholarship at Oklahoma State University this fall.

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.

Harryman joins recent Gatorade Oklahoma Girls Soccer Players of the Year Caitlin Mooney (2008-09, Edmond Sante Fe), Katie Bykowski (2007-08, Bishop Kelley), and Rebecca Allen (2006-07, Jenks) among the state's list of former award winners.

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