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**TREMPER HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED  
GATORADE® WISCONSIN BOYS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (February 18, 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 David Caban of Tremper High School as its 2009-10 Gatorade Wisconsin Boys Soccer Player of the Year. Caban is the first Gatorade Wisconsin Boys Soccer Player of the Year to be chosen from Tremper 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 Caban as Wisconsin's best high school boys soccer player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Boys Soccer Player of the Year award to be announced in May, Caban joins an elite alumni association of past state award-winners in 12 sports, including Alexi Lalas (1987-88, Cranbrook HS, Mich.), Derek Jeter (1991-92, Kalamazoo HS, Mich.), Candace Parker (2001-02, Naperville Central HS, Ill.), Kevin Garnett (1992-93, Maudlin HS, S.C.), Tony Meola (1986-87, Kearney HS, N.J.) and Mark Sanchez (2004-05, Mission Viejo HS, Calif.).

The 5-foot-7 junior midfielder recorded 17 goals and seven assists this past season, leading the Trojans to a 22-2-3 mark. A member of the U.S. Soccer Federation Under-18 Men's National Team, Caban was ranked as the No. 9 junior in the country by TopDrawerSoccer.com in 2009. He was also the Southeast Conference Player of the Year, a First Team All-State choice and an All-Midwest selection by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America.

Tremper has maintained a 3.46 GPA in the classroom. He has volunteered locally on behalf of food drives to benefit needy families in the community.

"Caban plays every game with intensity and heart that most high school kids aren't used to," said Matt Kellner, head coach of rival Bradford High. "He has the ability to play any position on the field, and his work rate is amazing—I've watched teams try to man mark him with a defender and he'll wear them out in less than 10 minutes."

Caban will begin his senior year of high school 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.

Caban joins recent Gatorade Wisconsin Boys Soccer Players of the Year Robbie Boyd (2008-09, Marquette University), Stuart Grable (2007-08, Neenah), and Eric Meyer (2006-07, James Madison Memorial) 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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