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**RAVENS CROFT SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED
GATORADE NORTH CAROLINA GIRLS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (May 12, 2011) — In its 26th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with ESPN RISE, today announced Caroline Lindquist of Ravenscroft School as its 2010-11 Gatorade North Carolina Girls Soccer Player of the Year. Lindquist is the first Gatorade North Carolina Girls Soccer Player of the Year to be chosen from Ravenscroft 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 Lindquist as North Carolina'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, Lindquist 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.), 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-7 junior midfielder has led the Ravens to a 16-1-1 record and a berth in the North Carolina Independent Schools Athletic Association Class 3A state quarterfinals, scheduled for May 17. Lindquist scored 11 goals and passed for eight assists through 18 games. A member of the U.S. Soccer Federation Under-18 Women's National Team, Lindquist did not play high school soccer as a sophomore. She was a Triangle Independent Schools Athletic Conference First Team selection in 2009 and 2011.

Lindquist has maintained a 3.92 GPA in the classroom. The founder and president of Ravenscroft's International Microlending Club, which gives out small loans to entrepreneurs in developing countries, she is a contributor to The Living Hand, her school's literary and fine arts magazine, and she has volunteered locally with the Special Olympics and as a youth sailing instructor.

"Caroline is very, very tenacious and brave," said Rusty Scarborough, the Director of Coaching with the Raleigh-based Capital Area Soccer League club program. "Technically she's sound and she can play multiple positions. She understands the game so well."

Lindquist has verbally committed to play soccer on an athletic scholarship at the University of North Carolina beginning in the fall of 2012.

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.

Lindquist joins recent Gatorade North Carolina Girls Soccer Players of the Year two-time winner Mollie Pathman, (2008-09 & 2009-10, Durham Academy) and Nicole Danford (2007-08, Green Hope) among the state's list of former award winners.

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