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CHARLOTTE LATIN SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED GATORADE® NORTH CAROLINA VOLLEYBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (December 12, 2012) — In its 28th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with USA TODAY High School Sports, today announced Eve Davis of Charlotte Latin School as its 2012-13 Gatorade North Carolina Volleyball Player of the Year. Davis is the first Gatorade North Carolina Volleyball Player of the Year to be chosen from Charlotte Latin 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 Davis as North Carolina's best high school volleyball player. Davis joins an elite alumni association of past state award-winners in 12 sports, including USA Volleyball players Kim Glass (2001-02, Horseshoe HS, Penn.), Kim Willoughby (1998-99, 1999-00, Assumption HS, La.) and Ogonna Nnamani (1999-00, University HS, Ill).

The 6-foot-2 senior outside hitter led the Hawks to a 38-1 record and the Class 3A state title this past season. Davis recorded 654 kills, 379 digs, 76 service aces and 47 blocks while posting a kill percentage of .499. A two-time First Team All-State selection, she is a 2012-13 American Volleyball Coaches Association Under Armour First Team All-American

Davis has maintained a 3.07 GPA in the classroom. An active member of her church community, she recently completed a service mission trip to Texas. Davis has also volunteered locally on behalf of the Special Olympics, the Susan G. Komen for the Cure and as a youth volleyball coach.

"Eve Davis is a complete package," said Carrie Christian, head coach at Nation Ford High head coach. "She is a strong and consistent passer and a dynamic hitter. She not only swings hard, she also places the ball well and uses various shots which makes her incredibly hard to defend."

Davis has signed a National Letter of Intent to play volleyball on an athletic scholarship at North Carolina State University beginning in the fall of 2013.

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 the Gatorade high school sports leadership team in partnership with USA TODAY High School Sports, 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.

Davis joins recent Gatorade North Carolina Volleyball Players of the Year Madison Bugg (2011-12 & 2009-10, Cardinal Gibbons High School), Kristen Harris (2010-11, Apex High School), Andrea Beck (2008-09, Cardinal Gibbons) and Katie Kabbes (2007-08, Cardinal Gibbons) among the state's list of former award winners.

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