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**GEORGE WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED  
GATORADE® WEST VIRGINIA VOLLEYBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (December 12, 2012) — In its 28<sup>th</sup> year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with USA TODAY High School Sports, today announced Hannah Shreve of George Washington High School as its 2012-13 Gatorade West Virginia Volleyball Player of the Year. Shreve is the second Gatorade West Virginia Volleyball Player of the Year to be chosen from George Washington 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 Shreve as West Virginia's best high school volleyball player. Shreve 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-3 senior middle led the Patriots (48-10-3) to the Class AAA state championship this season. A Class AAA First Team All-State selection as named by the West Virginia Sports Writers Association, Shreve amassed 438 kills, 158 blocks, 80 digs, 73 service aces and 11 assists. She compiled a .502 hitting percentage and .585 kill percentage. In three postseason matches, Shreve recorded 15 digs, eight service aces and six blocks in a Class AAA state title sweep of Musselman.

Shreve has maintained a 4.71 weighted GPA in the classroom. In addition to donating her time as a youth volleyball instructor, she has volunteered locally on behalf of the Salvation Army, Habitat for Humanity and disaster-relief efforts.

"She's absolutely an excellent player," said Shirley Brown, head coach of rival Woodrow Wilson High. "Shreve's height and long arms make her a dominant middle player. Her hitting, blocking and dynamic serving are all strengths. She's 6-foot-3, and that gives her an advantage. And she led her team to the state championship. Clearly, she was the leader of that team."

Shreve has signed a National Letter of Intent to play volleyball on scholarship at West Virginia 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.

Shreve joins recent Gatorade West Virginia Volleyball Players of the Year Taylor Allen (2011-12, Musselman High School), Hannah Bailey (2010-11, Spring Valley High School), Lexy Kessel (2009-10, Ripley), Erica Manor (2008-09, Ripley) and Cameron Yoho (2007-08, Tyler Consolidated) among the state's list of former award winners.

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