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**FALMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED
GATORADE® MAINE VOLLEYBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (December 12, 2013) — In its 29th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with USA TODAY High School Sports, today announced Katrina Meserve of Falmouth High School as its 2013-14 Gatorade Maine Volleyball Player of the Year. Meserve is the first Gatorade Maine Volleyball Player of the Year to be chosen from Falmouth 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 Meserve as Maine's best high school volleyball player. Meserve 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 5-foot-11 senior outside hitter led the Yachtsmen (15-2) to the Class A state championship this past season. Also the Player of the Year as named by the Maine Volleyball Coaches Association, Meserve slammed 97 kills while compiling a .554 kill percentage. She amassed 237 digs, 57 blocks and 45 service aces. Meserve totaled 13 kills and five blocks in the title-clinching victory against Scarborough.

Meserve has maintained a 3.93 GPA in the classroom. A member of Falmouth's concert choir and band as well as the school's photography and service clubs, she has volunteered as a youth volleyball referee and scorekeeper, as part of coastal cleanup efforts and on behalf of the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.

"She is an all-around player that is full of potential," said Lisa Curley, head coach of rival Gorham High. "She dominated this game this year. Her skill is second to none in the league this year."

Meserve remains undecided upon a collegiate destination.

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.

Meserve joins recent Gatorade Maine Volleyball Players of the Year Mariah Hebert (2012-2013, Biddeford High School), Brittany Bona (2011-12, Scarborough High School), Keila Grigware (2010-11, Biddeford High School), Michaela Campbell (2009-10 & 2008-09, Greely), and Mariah Grover (2007-08, Mount Desert Island) among the state's list of former award winners.

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