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ARSENAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED GATORADE® INDIANA BOYS BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (March 21, 2014) — 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 Trey Lyles of Arsenal Technical High School as its 2013-14 Gatorade Indiana Boys Basketball Player of the Year. Lyles is the first Gatorade Indiana Boys Basketball Player of the Year to be chosen from Arsenal Technical 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 court, distinguishes Lyles as Indiana's best high school boys basketball player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Boys Basketball Player of the Year award to be announced in March, Lyles joins an elite alumni association of past state boys basketball award winners, including Dwight Howard (2003-04, SW Atlanta Christian Academy, Ga.), Chauncey Billups (1993-94 & 1994-95, George Washington HS, Colo.), Jason Kidd (1991-92, St. Joseph Notre Dame HS, Calif.), Paul Pierce (1994-95, Inglewood HS, Calif.) and Chris Bosh (2001-02, Lincoln HS, Texas).

The 6-foot-10, 245-pound senior guard/forward has led the Titans to a 25-2 record and a berth in the Class 4A semifinals, scheduled for March 22. Lyles is averaging 23.9 points, 13 rebounds, 3.7 assists and 2.3 blocks while shooting 63 percent from inside the arc. A 2014 McDonald's All-American Game selection and a 2014 Jordan Brand Classic game invitee, Lyles is ranked as the nation's No. 6 recruit in the class of 2014 by ESPN and No. 8 by Rivals.

Lyles has maintained a 3.68 GPA in the classroom. A devoted parishioner in his church community where he plays bass guitar during mass services, he has volunteered locally on behalf of Riley Hospital for Children and has collected and delivered holiday gift baskets to families in need.

"Trey Lyles is an outstanding young man who carries himself with class and modesty at all times," said Arsenal Tech head coach Jason Delaney. "He excels because he is a true student of the game. He is always studying game film of himself and other players so he can improve in every aspect."

Lyles has signed a National Letter of Intent to play basketball on an athletic scholarship at the University of Kentucky 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 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.

Lyles joins recent Gatorade Indiana Boys Basketball Players of the Year Zak Irvin (2012-13, Hamilton Southeastern High School), Gary Harris (2011-12, Hamilton Southeastern High School), Cody Zeller (2010-11, Washington High School), Travis Carroll (2009-10, Danville Community), Jordan Hulls (2008-09, Bloomington High School South), Tyler Zeller (2007-08, Washington High School), and Eric Gordon (2006-07, North Central) among the state's list of former award winners.

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