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## GREENWAY HIGH SCHOOL HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED GATORADE® ARIZONA BASEBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (May 27, 2014) — In its  $29^{th}$  year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with USA TODAY High School Sports, today announced Tyler Frost of Greenway High School as its 2013-14 Gatorade Arizona Baseball Player of the Year. Frost is the second Gatorade Arizona Baseball Player of the Year to be chosen from Greenway 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 Frost as Arizona's best high school baseball player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Baseball Player of the Year, Frost joins an elite alumni association of past state award-winners in 12 sports, including Derek Jeter (1991-92, Kalamazoo HS, Mich.), Roy Halladay (1994-95, Arvada West HS, Colo.), David Price (2003-04, Blackman HS, Tenn.), Chipper Jones (1989-90, Bolles School, Fla.), Derek Lee (1992-93, El Camino HS, Calif.) and John Lester (2001-02, Bellarmine Prep, Wash.).

The 5-foot-10, 160-pound senior right-handed pitcher led the Demons to a 29-4 record and the Division II state championship. A returning Third Team All-American as named by the National High School Baseball Coaches Association, Frost compiled a 12-1 record with a 0.26 ERA and 92 strikeouts against just eight walks over 80 innings pitched. Also a center fielder, Frost batted .406 with seven home runs, 34 runs scored and 42 RBI. A 2013 Division II First Team All-State selection as named by the Arizona Baseball Coaches Association, he recorded a .500 on-base percentage and .764 slugging percentage.

Frost has maintained a B average in the classroom. In addition to donating his time as a youth baseball and softball instructor, he has volunteered locally on behalf of the Pure Heart Christian Fellowship and Arizona's Mermaid Half Marathon.

"It's not just the two-way potency that Tyler brings to both sides of the ball that make him unique," said Greenway head coach Matthew Denny. "It is the example he sets for his teammates, his willingness to step up to any challenge and his quiet confidence and leadership that make him a special kid."

Frost has signed a National Letter of Intent to play baseball on scholarship at Gonzaga University 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.

Frost joins recent Gatorade Arizona Baseball Players of the Year Riley Unroe (2012-13, Desert Ridge High School), Mitch Nay (2011-12, Hamilton High School), Kevin Cron (2010 - 11, Mountain Pointe High School), Taylor Kaczmarek (2009-10, Desert Ridge), Jake Barrett (2008-09, Desert Ridge), Jaff Decker (2007-08, Sunrise Mountain), and Tim Alderson (2006-2007, Horizon) among the state's list of former award winners.

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