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**C.W. BAKER HIGH SCHOOL HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED
GATORADE® NEW YORK BASEBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (May 27, 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 Scott Blewett of C.W. Baker High School as its 2013-14 Gatorade New York Baseball Player of the Year. Blewett is the first Gatorade New York Baseball Player of the Year to be chosen from C.W. Baker 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 Blewett as New York's best high school baseball player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Baseball Player of the Year, Blewett 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 6-foot-6, 230-pound senior right-handed pitcher and first baseman has led the Bees to a 15-5 record and a berth in the Section III tournament. Entering the postseason, Blewett owned a 4-0 record with a 0.27 ERA and 50 strikeouts in 26 innings pitched, surrendering only 13 hits and issuing eight walks. He also compiled a .328 batting average with a home run and 10 RBI through 20 games. The Class AA Player of the Year and the Central New York Pitcher of the Year as a junior, Blewett is a Perfect Game Preseason High School First Team All-America selection.

Blewett has maintained an A-minus average in the classroom. He has volunteered locally on behalf of charity road races and youth baseball programs in addition to donating his time assisting the elderly in his neighborhood.

"Blewett is special," said Kevin Krause, head coach at West Genesee High. "He's got a clean delivery, his ball explodes, and he's got a great mound presence. He's basically unhittable. He's very refined for an 18-year-old and he's going to keep getting better."

Blewett has signed a National Letter of Intent to play baseball on scholarship at St. John's 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.

Blewett joins recent Gatorade New York Baseball Players of the Year Mark Armstrong (2012-13, Clarence High School), Alex Robinson (2011-12, Holy Trinity High School), Jonathan de Marte (2010 - 11 & 2009-10, Lakeland High School), Marcus Stroman (2008-09, Patchogue-Medford), Philip Pohl (2007-08, Cooperstown), and Brian Dupra (2006-2007, Greece Athena) among the state's list of former award winners.

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