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**CLACKAMAS HIGH SCHOOL HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED
GATORADE® OREGON 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 Elliott Cary of Clackamas High School as its 2013-14 Gatorade Oregon Baseball Player of the Year. Cary is the third Gatorade Oregon Baseball Player of the Year to be chosen from Clackamas 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 Cary as Oregon's best high school baseball player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Baseball Player of the Year, Cary 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-3, 180-pound senior center fielder led the Cavaliers to a 19-7 record and a berth in the Class 6A state tournament, scheduled to begin May 26. Cary batted .512 with 22 RBI, 25 stolen bases and 31 runs scored through 26 games. He compiled a .598 on-base percentage, slugged .756 and did not make an error in the field. Also a left-handed pitcher, Cary posted a 1-0 record with a 3.11 ERA and 21 strikeouts over 18 innings. The Northwest Florida Daily News Big Schools Hitter of the Year as a junior at Niceville (Fla.) High, he earned All-Tournament Team honors at the 2013 WWBA 18U National Championship.

Cary has maintained a B average in the classroom. A youth baseball instructor, he has also volunteered on behalf of The Wounded Warrior Project in addition to supporting cleanup efforts following an oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

"Elliott is a full-on five-tool player," said Clackamas head coach John Arntson. "He's a great hitter, his speed is unreal, he's a plus outfielder in center and he also has been a relief pitcher for us this year. He's a great team leader as well. He can do it all. He's the best offensive player I've ever coached. He's a stud."

Cary has signed a National Letter of Intent to play baseball on scholarship at Oregon State 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.

Cary joins recent Gatorade Oregon Baseball Players of the Year Austin Kelly (2012-13, Clackamas High School), Carson Kelly (2011-12 & 2010 - 11, Westview High School), Ben Wetzler (2009-10, Clackamas), Matt Maurer (2008-09, North Medford), Ryan Gorton (2007-08, Tigard), and Joey Mahalic (2006-2007, Wilson) among the state's list of former award winners.

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