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**SCAPPOOSE HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED
GATORADE OREGON GIRLS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (February 5, 2015) — In its 30th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with USA TODAY High School Sports, today announced Lucy Davidson of Scappoose High School as its 2014-15 Gatorade Oregon Girls Soccer Player of the Year. Davidson is the first Gatorade Oregon Girls Soccer Player of the Year to be chosen from Scappoose 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 Davidson as Oregon's best high school girls soccer player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Girls Soccer Player of the Year award to be announced in May, Davidson joins an elite alumni association of past state award-winners in 12 sports, including Abby Wambach (1997-98, Our Lady of Mercy, N.Y.), Derek Jeter (1991-92, Kalamazoo HS, Mich.), Candace Parker (2001-02, Naperville Central HS, Ill.), Alexi Lalas (1987-88, Cranbrook HS, Mich.), Heather O'Reilly (2001-02, East Brunswick HS, N.J.) and Mark Sanchez (2004-05, Mission Viejo HS, Calif.).

The 5-foot-6 junior midfielder scored 16 goals and passed for seven assists this past season, leading the Indians (13-3-1) to the Class 4A state semifinals. Davidson missed two games during the regular season while attending a training camp with the U.S. Soccer Under-20 Women's National Team. Ranked as the No. 69 recruit in the Class of 2016 by TopDrawerSoccer.com, she was the 2013 Class 4A Player of the Year as a sophomore when she scored 30 goals and led the Indians to the state title.

Davidson has maintained a 4.28 weighted GPA in the classroom. She has volunteered locally on behalf of community beautification projects and as a mentor to elementary and middle school students. Davidson has also donated her time to an annual Christmas party for foster children and their families.

"The beautiful thing about watching Lucy play is the fluidity in her movements," said Sarah Von Colditz, head coach of Astoria High. "She is able to dribble past players with ease and have the sense to slot the ball in the back of the net and have it seem like she wasn't trying at all."

Davidson has made a verbal commitment to play soccer on an athletic scholarship at the University of Portland beginning in the fall of 2016.

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.

Davidson joins recent Gatorade Oregon Girls Soccer Players of the Year Jill Farley (2013-14, Tualatin High School), Ashlee Schulz (2012-13, Thurston High School), Anna-Marie Popma, (2011-12, Tualatin High School), Maryn Beutler (2010-11, Bend Senior High School), Sarah Bridges, (2009-10, Jesuit), Kendall Johnson (2008-09, Lincoln High School), and Courtney Verloo (2007-08 & 2006-07, Tualatin High School), among the state's list of former award winners.

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