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**LOGAN HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED  
GATORADE® WEST VIRGINIA GIRLS BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (March 12, 2015) — In its 30<sup>th</sup> year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with USA TODAY High School Sports, today announced Shayna Gore of Logan High School as its 2014-15 Gatorade West Virginia Girls Basketball Player of the Year. Gore is the first Gatorade West Virginia Girls Basketball Player of the Year to be chosen from Logan 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 Gore as West Virginia's best high school girls basketball player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Girls Basketball Player of the Year award announced in March, Gore joins an elite alumni association of past state girls basketball award-winners, including Candace Parker (2001-02, Naperville Central HS, Ill.), Diana Taurasi (1998-99 & 1999-00, Don Antonio Lugo HS, Calif.), Maya Moore (2005-06 Collins Hill HS, Ga.), Rashanda McCants (2004-05, Asheville HS, N.C.), Shyra Ely (1999-00, Ben Davis HS, Ind.) and Lisa Leslie (1988-89, Morningside HS, Calif.).

The 6-foot senior point guard averaged 28.1 points and 6.7 assists this past season, leading the Wildcats to the Class AAA sectional semifinals. A two-time First Team All-State selection, Gore concluded her prep career with 1,991 points, the highest career scoring total—girls or boys—in Logan High history. She also posted regular-season averages of 6.4 rebounds and 3.6 steals per game while shooting 89.3 percent from the free throw line.

Gore has maintained a 3.62 GPA in the classroom. A member of the National Honor Society and a devoted parishioner in her church community, she has volunteered locally as a camp counselor and a prayer club leader.

"You don't have to be a basketball fan to appreciate Shayna Gore's talent," said Randy Adkins, head coach at Lincoln County High. "She is very unselfish but she does have the ability to take over a game when needed. Her basketball I.Q. is extremely high. She is without a doubt the smartest floor player that we faced all season."

Gore has signed a National Letter of Intent to play basketball on scholarship at Marshall 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.

Gore joins recent Gatorade West Virginia Girls Basketball Players of the Year Mychal Johnson (2013-14 & 2012-13, St. Joseph Central Catholic High School), Makenzie White (2011-12, Scott High School), Mariah Byard (2010-11 & 2009-10, North Marion High School), Whitney Bays (2008-09 & 2007-08, Huntington) and Mackenzie Maier (2006-07, Charleston Catholic) among the state's list of former award winners.

To keep up to date on the latest happenings, become a fan of Gatorade Player of the Year on Facebook and follow us on Twitter. For more on the Gatorade Player of the Year program, including nomination information, a complete list of past winners and the announcement of the Gatorade National Player of the Year, visit [www.gatorade.com/poy](http://www.gatorade.com/poy).

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