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**SAINT JAMES SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED
GATORADE® MARYLAND BOYS BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (March 20, 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 Justin Robinson of Saint James School as its 2014-15 Gatorade Maryland Boys Basketball Player of the Year. Robinson is the first Gatorade Maryland Boys Basketball Player of the Year to be chosen from Saint James 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 Robinson as Maryland's best high school boys basketball player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Boys Basketball Player of the Year award to be announced in March, Robinson joins an elite alumni association of past state boys basketball award winners, including Dwight Howard (2003-04, SW Atlanta Christian Academy, Ga.), Chauncey Billups (1993-94 & 1994-95, George Washington HS, Colo.), Jason Kidd (1991-92, St. Joseph Notre Dame HS, Calif.), Paul Pierce (1994-95, Inglewood HS, Calif.) and Chris Bosh (2001-02, Lincoln HS, Texas).

The 6-foot-1, 178-pound senior point guard averaged 22.2 and 7.8 assists per game while shooting 53 percent from inside the arc this past season, leading the Saints (18-8) to the Mid-Atlantic Conference semifinals. A 2015 First Team All-Conference selection, Robinson also posted regular-season averages of 4.3 rebounds and 2.2 steals per game and scored a game-high 27 points in the MAC semifinal loss to Georgetown Day.

Robinson has maintained a B average in the classroom. He has volunteered locally on behalf of the Special Olympics, the Boys and Girls Clubs of America and as a youth basketball coach.

"We played a very difficult schedule this season, including four nationally ranked teams, and Justin Robinson might be the best point guard that we went up against," said Brian Field, head coach at Providence Day in North Carolina. "He absolutely killed us and I was even more impressed with his poise and sportsmanship on the court."

Robinson has signed a National Letter of Intent to play basketball on scholarship at Virginia Tech 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.

Robinson joins recent Gatorade Maryland Boys Basketball Players of the Year Allonzo Trier (2013-14, Montrose Christian School), Marquis Wright (2012-13, North Point High School), Justin Anderson (2011-12, Montrose Christian School), Marcus Thornton (2010-11, Bishop McNamara High School), Josh Hairston (2009-10, Montrose Christian School), Christian Webster (2008-09, Landon School), Sean Mosley (2007-08, St. Frances Academy), and Malcolm Delaney (2006-07, Towson Catholic High School) among the state's list of former award winners.

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