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**BARRINGTON HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED  
GATORADE® RHODE ISLAND BOYS BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (March 20, 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 Corey Daugherty of Barrington High School as its 2014-15 Gatorade Rhode Island Boys Basketball Player of the Year. Daugherty is the first Gatorade Rhode Island Boys Basketball Player of the Year to be chosen from Barrington 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 Daugherty as Rhode Island'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, Daugherty 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, 165-pound senior point guard averaged 20.3 points, 6.0 rebounds and 4.4 assists this past season, leading the Eagles (24-3) to the Open State Tournament championship game. Daugherty led the state in 3-pointers made with 87, knocking down 18 in four state tournament games. A two-time First Team All-State selection, he concluded his prep basketball career with 1,660 points.

Daugherty has maintained an unweighted 4.06 GPA in the classroom. For his senior project, he organized the move of Barrington's basketball game against Bishop Hendricken to Brown University as a fundraiser to benefit the Special Olympics.

"Corey led his team on offense and defense," said Alex Butler, head coach of East Providence High. "He made sure to keep everyone involved. He is really efficient and doesn't force the issue. When the game called for it, he took over."

Daugherty has verbally committed to attend Brown University, where he will play basketball beginning 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.

Daugherty joins recent Gatorade Rhode Island Boys Basketball Players of the Year Bonzie Colson (2013-14 & 2012-13, St. Andrew's School), Jarell Lawson (2011-12, Central High School), Michael Carter-Williams (2010-11 & 2009-10, St. Andrew's School), Jay Jeannotte (2008-09, Narragansett High School), Ashton Watkins (2007-08, Classical High School), and Rakim Sanders (2006-07, St. Andrew's School) among the state's list of former award winners.

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