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**MARSHWOOD HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED  
GATORADE® MAINE BASEBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (May 28, 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 Zachary Quintal of Marshwood High School as its 2014-15 Gatorade Maine Baseball Player of the Year. Quintal is the second Gatorade Maine Baseball Player of the Year to be chosen from Marshwood 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 Quintal as Maine's best high school baseball player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Baseball Player of the Year, Quintal 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 Jon Lester (2001-02, Bellarmine Prep, Wash.).

The 5-foot-10, 170-pound senior right-handed pitcher and third baseman had led the Hawks to an 8-2 record at the time of his selection. Quintal owned a 4-1 record and a 0.75 ERA through 10 games, along with a .414 batting average. A First Team All-State honoree, he is also a two-time All-Conference selection and was named to the USA TODAY's American Family Insurance ALL-USA Maine Second Team.

Quintal has maintained a B average in the classroom. A mentor for elementary school students, he has volunteered locally on behalf of youth sports programs.

"Quintal isn't only a gifted baseball player, but he plays the game the right way," said Brody Artes, head coach at Windham High. "He always seems to find a way to get on base and put pressure on his opponents."

Quintal has signed a National Letter of Intent to play baseball on scholarship at the University of Maine 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.

Quintal joins recent Gatorade Maine Baseball Players of the Year Ben Greenberg (2013-14 & 2012-13, Scarborough High School), Luke Fernandes (2011-12, Marshwood High School), Scott Heath (2010-11, Westbrook High School), Matt Verrier (2009-10, Oxford Hills Comprehensive), Chris Bernard (2008-09, Scarborough), Kyle Stilphen (2007-08, Gardiner Area), and Jarrett Lukas (2006-07, Old Town) 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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