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**GIRARD HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED
GATORADE KANSAS GIRLS TRACK & FIELD ATHLETE OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (June 23, 2016) — In its 31st year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with USA TODAY High School Sports, today announced Cailie Logue of Girard High School as its 2015-16 Gatorade Kansas Girls Track & Field Athlete of the Year. Logue is the first Gatorade Kansas Girls Track & Field Athlete of the Year to be chosen from Girard 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 track, distinguishes Logue as Kansas's best high school girls track & field athlete. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Girls Track & Field Athlete of the Year award to be announced in June, Logue joins an elite alumni association of state award-winners in 12 sports, including Allyson Felix (2001-02, Los Angeles Baptist, Calif.), Derek Jeter (1991-92, Kalamazoo HS, Mich.), Candace Parker (2001-02, Naperville Central HS, Ill.), Abby Wambach (1997-98, Our Lady of Mercy, N.Y.), Mark Sanchez (2004-05, Mission Viejo HS, Calif.), Lolo Jones (1997-98, Roosevelt HS, Ia.) and Bianca Knight (2006-07, Ridgeland HS, Miss.).

The 5-foot-6 junior won three individual events at the Class 4A state meet this past season, setting meet records in all three. Also a two-time Gatorade Girls Cross Country Runner of the Year, Logue won the 800-meter run with a time of 2:13.08, captured the 1600 in 4:54.44 and broke the tape in the 3200 in 10:31.60. She also won the Nike Festival of Miles, and her season-best time of 4:44.08 in the 1600 ranked as the nation's No. 6 performance among prep competitors in 2016 at the time of her selection.

Logue has maintained a 4.0 GPA in the classroom. Also a talented musician and a devoted member of her church community, she has donated her time to Girard High's foreign language and service clubs as well as the school's peer leadership and tutoring initiatives.

"Cailie Logue is quite a runner, and she's a class-act person too," said Tracey Bogina, head coach at Fort Scott High. "Just to qualify for states in all three distance races is difficult. To win them all is impressive, and to break three records that I think had been around for a long time is one of the most incredible feats I've seen."

Logue will begin her senior year of high school 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.

Logue joins recent Gatorade Kansas Girls Track & Field Athletes of the Year Keiryn Swenson (2014-15 & 2013-14, Maize High School), Alexa Harmon-Thomas (2012-13, Free State High School), Alli Cash (2011-12, Shawnee Mission West High School), Megan Smith (2010-11, Olathe South High School), Kearsten Peoples (2009-10, Ottawa High School), Heather Bergmann (2008-09, Concordia High School), and Roxi Grizzle (2007-08 & 2006-07, Tonganoxie High School) among the state's list of former award winners.

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