

BRIARWOOD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED GATORADE ALABAMA BOYS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (June 6, 2019) — In its 34th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company today announced **Logan Frost of Briarwood Christian School** as its **2018-19 Gatorade Alabama Boys Soccer Player of the Year**. Frost is the first Gatorade Alabama Boys Soccer Player of the Year to be chosen from Briarwood Christian 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 Frost as Alabama's best high school boys soccer player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Boys Soccer Player of the Year award to be announced in June, Frost joins an elite alumni association of past state soccer award-winners, including Alexi Lalas (1987-88, Cranbrook High School, Mich.), Steve Cherundolo (1996-97, Mt. Carmel High School, Calif.), Abby Wambach (1997-98, Our Lady of Mercy School of Young Women, N.Y.), Heather O'Reilly (2001-02, 2002-03, East Brunswick High School, N.J.), Matt Besler (2004-04, Blue Valley West High School, Kans.), Jack Harrison (2013-14, Berkshire High School, Mass.) and Mallory Pugh (2014-15, Mountain Vista High School, Colo.).

The 6-foot-3, 180-pound senior forward led the Lions to a 21-1-3 record and the Class 4A-5A state championship this past season. Frost scored 24 goals and passed for 21 assists, including seven goals and six assists in Briarwood's five-game postseason run to the state title. A three-time First Team All-State selection and this year's postseason tournament MVP, he concluded his prep soccer career with 112 goals and 80 assists.

Frost and his family served as missionaries for six years in Bolivia, working in an orphanage and an assisted-living facility. He has volunteered locally as a youth soccer coach. "Logan is a difference-maker on the field," said Matt Hall, head coach of Spain Park High. "Not only is he physically gifted with his size and speed, but his technical skills on the ball are excellent. He is a great dribbler and finisher."

Frost has maintained a weighted 4.27 GPA in the classroom. He has signed a National Letter of Intent to play soccer on scholarship at the University of South Carolina 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. From the 12 national winners, one male and one female athlete are each named Gatorade High School Athlete of the Year. In all, 607 athletes are honored each year.

Frost joins recent Gatorade Alabama Boys Soccer Players of the Year Brooks Rice (2017-18, Spain Park High School), Kennedy Davis (2016-17, Oak Mountain High School), JJ Williams (2015-16, Alabama Christian Academy), Eduvie Ikoba (2014-15, Bob Jones High School) and Jake Rufe (2013-14, Grissom High School) among the state's list of former award winners.

As a part of Gatorade's cause marketing platform "Play it Forward," Frost also has the opportunity to award a \$1,000 grant to a local or national youth sports organization of his choosing. He is also eligible to submit an essay to win one of twelve \$10,000 spotlight grants for the organization of choice, which will be announced throughout the year.

Since the program's inception in 1985, Gatorade Player of the Year award recipients have won hundreds of professional and college championships, and many have also turned into pillars in their communities, becoming coaches, business owners and educators.

To learn more about the Gatorade Player of the Year program, check out past winners or to nominate student-athletes, visit www.Gatorade.com/POY, on Facebook at www.facebook.com/GatoradePOY or follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/Gatorade.

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