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**HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED  
GATORADE ARIZONA BASEBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

**CHICAGO** (May 21, 2020) — In its 35<sup>th</sup> year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company today announced **Brock Selvidge of Hamilton High School** as its **2019-20 Gatorade Arizona Baseball Player of the Year**. Selvidge is the first Gatorade Arizona Baseball Player of the Year to be chosen from Hamilton 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 Selvidge as Arizona's best high school baseball player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Baseball Player of the Year award to be announced in May, Selvidge joins an elite alumni association of state award-winners in 12 sports, including Derek Jeter (1991-92, Kalamazoo High School, Mich.), Jon Lester (2001-02, Bellarmine Preparatory School, Wash.), David Price (2003-04, Blackman High School, Tenn.), Clayton Kershaw (2005-06, Highland Park High School, Texas), Rick Porcello (2006-2007, Seaton Hall Preparatory School, N.J.) and Kris Bryant (2009-10, Bonanza High School, Nev.).

The 6-foot-3, 205-pound junior left-handed pitcher and outfielder was one of 80 players invited to play in the Major League Baseball Prospect Development Pipeline League this summer. A member of the USA Baseball 17U Developmental Team, Selvidge was named to the 2020 Perfect Game Preseason Underclass All-American Team. Ranked as the nation's No. 13 prospect in the Class of 2021 by Baseball America, he hit a three-run homer in the 2019 Conference 6A state title game, leading the Huskies to the state title.

Selvidge has volunteered locally with Feed Our Starving Children, and he has donated his time as a youth baseball coach for underprivileged children. "Brock is a very hardworking, extremely competitive leader among his peers," said Jon Paino, Selvidge's summer coach with CBA Baseball. "His play speaks for itself and is at the highest levels in the amateur game."

Selvidge has maintained a weighted 3.77 GPA in the classroom. He has made a verbal commitment to play baseball on scholarship at Louisiana State University beginning in the fall of 2021.

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 and 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.

Two-time winner Selvidge joins recent Gatorade Arizona Baseball Players of the Year Matt Liberatore (2017-18, Mountain Ridge High School), Boyd Vander Kooi (2016-17, Skyline High School), Nick Brueser (2015-16, Hamilton High School), and Tyler Wyatt (2014-15, Liberty High School) among the state's list of former award winners.

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](http://www.Gatorade.com/POY), on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/GatoradePOY](http://www.facebook.com/GatoradePOY) or follow us on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/Gatorade](http://www.twitter.com/Gatorade).

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