

**WOODROW WILSON HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED  
GATORADE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SOFTBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (May 28, 2020) — In its 35<sup>th</sup> year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company today announced JoJo Scurry of Woodrow Wilson High School as its 2019-20 Gatorade District of Columbia Softball Player of the Year. Scurry is the second Gatorade District of Columbia Softball Player of the Year to be chosen from Woodrow Wilson 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 Scurry as District of Columbia's best high school softball player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Softball Player of the Year award to be announced in June, Scurry joins an elite alumni association of state award-winners in 12 sports, including Catherine Osterman (2000-01, Cy Spring High School, Texas), Kelsey Stewart (2009-10, Arkansas City High School, Kan.), Carley Hoover (2012-13 D.W. Daniel High School, S.C.), Jenna Lilley (2012-13, Hoover High School, Ohio), Morgan Zerkle (2012-13 Cabell Midland High School, W. Va.), and Rachel Garcia (2014-15, Highland High School, Calif.).

The 5-foot-1 junior center fielder owns a .533 career batting average, with five home runs, 42 RBI, 41 stolen bases and a 1.661 OPS. Scurry is a two-time First Team All-Conference selection and a two-time member of the All-D.C. State Athletic Association Team. She batted .512 as a sophomore for the Tigers (20-4) in 2019, with three home runs, 22 RBI, 31 runs scored and 31 stolen bases.

Scurry has volunteered locally on behalf of youth softball programs. "JoJo is a hard-hitting, speedy outfielder with a talent for getting big hits," said Wilson coach David Thompson. "She's also a big threat on the bases and she really covers a lot of ground in center field."

Scurry has maintained a 4.09 GPA in the classroom. She 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 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.

Scurry joins Gatorade District of Columbia Softball Players of the Year Loga Jamie Wang, (2018-19, National Cathedral School), Logan Robinson (2017-18, National Cathedral School), Sydney Love-Baker (2015-16 & 2016-17, Georgetown Visitation Preparatory School), and Alee Burke (2014-15, Georgetown Visitation Preparatory 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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