

**DELTA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED
GATORADE INDIANA GIRLS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (June 17, 2020) — In its 35th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company today announced Addie Chester of Delta High School as its 2019-20 Gatorade Indiana Girls Soccer Player of the Year. Chester is the first Gatorade Indiana Girls Soccer Player of the Year to be chosen from Delta 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 Chester as Indiana's best high school girls soccer player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Girls Soccer Player of the Year award to be announced in June, Chester joins an elite alumni association of state award-winners in 12 sports, 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 (2004-05, 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 5-foot-7 sophomore forward and midfielder amassed 53 goals and eight assists this past season, leading the Eagles (9-8) to the Class 2A state tournament. Chester scored more than four goals in nine games as Delta recorded its first winning record in 10 years. Ranked as the No. 37 recruit in the Class of 2022 by TopDrawerSoccer.com, she concluded her sophomore year with 87 goals and 12 assists in her prep soccer career.

Chester has volunteered locally as a youth soccer coach, and she has donated her time to multiple community service initiatives through her church. "Addie Chester is an all-around natural athlete who is very gifted in the game of soccer," said Chelsea Dourson, head coach of Shelbyville High. "What makes her stand out is the true grit she carries in her determination to score."

Chester has maintained a 3.89 GPA in the classroom. She has made a verbal commitment to play soccer on scholarship at Penn State University beginning in the fall of 2022.

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 Player of the Year Selection Committee, 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.

Chester joins recent Gatorade Indiana Girls Soccer Players of the Year Emily Speidel (2018-19, Carmel High School), Kristina Lynch (2017-18, Penn High School), Kristina Lynch (2016-17, Penn High School), Alia Martin (2015-16, Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School), Reilly Martin (2014-15, Brebeuf Jesuit), and Cassidy Blacha (2013-14, Avon 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, on Facebook at www.facebook.com/GatoradePOY or follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/Gatorade.

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