

**COLUMBIA FALLS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED
GATORADE MONTANA GIRLS TRACK & FIELD PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (June 25, 2020) — In its 35th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company today announced Angellica Street of Columbia Falls High School as its 2019-20 Gatorade Montana Girls Track & Field Athlete of the Year. Street is the third Gatorade Montana Girls Track & Field Athlete of the Year to be chosen from Columbia Falls 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 Street as Montana'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, Street joins an elite alumni association of state award-winners in 12 sports, including Lolo Jones (1997-98, Roosevelt High School, Iowa), Allyson Felix (2002-03, Los Angeles Baptist High School, Calif.), Robert Griffin III (2006-07, Copperas Cove High School, Texas), Grant Fisher (2013-14 & 2014-15, Grand Blanc High School, Mich.) and Candace Hill (2014-15, Rockdale County High School, Ga.).

The state's returning Gatorade Girls Track & Field Athlete of the Year and 5-foot-5 senior concluded her prep track career with the state record in the javelin with a throw of 158 feet, 8 inches. Street bettered that mark by five feet at an unofficial invitational during a recruiting trip over the summer of 2019. A two-time state champion, she set a Class A state meet record in 2019 with her winning throw of 156-11, which was more than 37 feet ahead of the second-place finisher. Her throw of 158-8 ranked as the nation's No. 4 mark among prep competitors in the spring of 2019.

Street has volunteered locally as a youth track coach. "Angellica is an amazing talent," said Scott Smith, assistant coach of Whitefish High School. "She has a huge arm and a great work ethic to go with it. She is every coach's dream. An athlete like her does not come around too often."

Street has maintained a 3.02 in the classroom. She has signed a national letter of intent to compete on an athletic scholarship at Texas A&M University.

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.

Two-time winner Street joins recent Gatorade Montana Girls Track & Field Athletes of the Year Camila Noe (2017-18, Bozeman High School), Annie Hill (2016-17, Glacier High School), Christina Aragon (2015-16 & 2014-15, Billings Senior High School), and Erika McLeod (2013-14, Butte 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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