

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

CHICAGO (June 15, 2021) — In its 36th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, Gatorade today announced Quincy McMahon of Guerin Catholic High School as its 2020-21 Gatorade Indiana Girls Soccer Player of the Year. McMahon is the first Gatorade Indiana Girls Soccer Player of the Year to be chosen from Guerin Catholic 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 McMahon 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, McMahon 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-6 senior forward recorded 19 goals and 17 assists this past season, leading the Golden Eagles (16-2-2) to the Class 3A state championship game. McMahon played for Guerin as a freshman before moving to Colorado for two years. A First Team All-State selection, she is a member of the U.S. Soccer Under-20 Women's National Team player pool and is ranked as the No. 29 recruit in the Class of 2021 by TopDrawerSoccer.com.

A member of the Student Athletic Council at Guerin Catholic, McMahon has volunteered locally with Honor Flight, which transports veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit the memorials of those who have served. She has also donated her time to multiple community service initiatives through her church youth group. "Quincy has a presence on the field and is a force whenever she has the ball," said Angela White, head coach of Brebeuf Jesuit High. "She not only creates opportunities for herself, but she's also an unselfish player who looks for her teammates."

McMahon has maintained a weighted 4.06 GPA in the classroom. She has signed a National Letter of Intent to play soccer on scholarship at UCLA 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. The selection process is administered by the Gatorade Player of the Year Selection Committee, which works with top sport-specific experts and a media advisory board of accomplished, veteran prep sports journalists to determine the state winners in each sport.

McMahon joins recent Gatorade Indiana Girls Soccer Players of the Year Addie Chester (2019-20, Delta High School), Emily Speidel (2018-19, Carmel High School), and Kristina Lynch (2017-18 & 2016-17, Penn High School), among the state's list of former award winners.

Through Gatorade's cause marketing platform "Play it Forward," McMahon has the opportunity to award a \$1,000 grant to a local or national youth sports organization of their choosing. McMahon is also eligible to submit a 30-second video explaining why the organization they chose is deserving of one of twelve \$10,000 spotlight grants, which will be announced throughout the year. To date, Gatorade Player of the Year winners' grants have totaled more than \$2.7 million across 1,117 organizations.

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 playeroftheyear.gatorade.com, on Facebook at facebook.com/GatoradePOY or follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/Gatorade.

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