

**BISHOP GORMAN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED
GATORADE NEVADA VOLLEYBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (January 11, 2022) — In its 37th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, Gatorade today announced **Caroline Edgeworth** of **Bishop Gorman High School** is the **2021-22 Gatorade Nevada Volleyball Player of the Year**. Edgeworth is the second Gatorade Nevada Volleyball Player of the Year to be chosen from Bishop Gorman 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 court, distinguishes Edgeworth as Nevada's best high school volleyball player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Volleyball Player of the Year award to be announced in January, Edgeworth joins an elite alumni association of state award-winners, including USA Volleyball players Kayla Banwarth (2006-07, Wahlert High School, Iowa), Alisha Glass (2005-06, Leland Public High School, Mich.), Jordan Larson (2004-05, Logan View High School, Neb.) and Foluke Akinradewo (2004-05, St. Thomas High School, Fla.).

The 5-foot-10 senior setter led the Gaels to a 31-6 record and the Class 5A state championship this past season. Edgeworth amassed 1,330 assists, 328 digs and 145 blocks to go with 47 service aces. A MaxPreps First Team All-American, she was also the Class 5A Southern Nevada Player of the Year and the Mountain League Player of the Year.

A member of the philanthropic National Charity League, Edgeworth has raised funds for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and is co-founder of the Hope Means Nevada a statewide community-driven initiative to eliminate teen suicide and raise awareness of teen mental health. "Edgeworth makes the teammates around her better," said Matt Johnson, head coach at Coronado High School. "She was the glue that kept Bishop Gorman together and cohesive. She bettered every ball she got her hands on and took advantage of her ability to score points from the service line. I can't think of anyone who meant as much to her team."

Edgeworth has maintained a 4.0 GPA in the classroom. She remains undecided upon a collegiate destination.

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 leverages experts including coaches, scouts, media and others as sources to help evaluate and determine the state winners in each sport.

Edgeworth joins recent Gatorade Nevada Volleyball Players of the Year Tori Harper (2020-21, Bishop Manogue High School), Tommi Stockham (2019-20 & 2018-19, Bishop Gorman High School), and Whittnee Nihipali (2017-18, Shadow Ridge High School), among the state's list of former award winners.

Gatorade has a long-standing history of serving athlete communities and understands how sports instill valuable lifelong skills on and off the field. Through Gatorade's "Play it Forward" platform, Edgeworth has the opportunity to award a \$1,000 grant to a local or national organization of their choosing that helps young athletes realize the benefits of playing sports. Edgeworth is also eligible to submit a short 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 \$3.5 million across more than 1,300 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 or follow us on social media on Facebook at facebook.com/GatoradePOY, Instagram at instagram.com/Gatorade and Twitter at twitter.com/Gatorade.

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