

**CRETIN-DERHAM HALL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED  
GATORADE MINNESOTA BOYS BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

**CHICAGO** (March 16, 2022) — In its 37<sup>th</sup> year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, Gatorade today announced **Tre Holloman** of **Cretin-Derham Hall** is the **2021-22 Gatorade Minnesota Boys Basketball Player of the Year**. Holloman is the first Gatorade Minnesota Boys Basketball Player of the Year to be chosen from Cretin-Derham Hall.

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 Holloman as Minnesota's best high school boys basketball player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Boys Basketball Player of the Year award to be announced in March, Holloman joins an elite alumni association of state award-winners in 12 sports, including Jayson Tatum (2015-16, Chaminade College Preparatory School, Mo.), Karl-Anthony Towns (2012-13 & 2013-14, St. Joseph High School, N.J.), Jabari Parker (2011-12, Simeon Career Academy, Ill.) and Dwight Howard (2003-04, Southwest Atlanta Christian Academy, Ga.).

The 6-foot-3, 175-pound senior guard had led the Raiders to a 17-10 record and a berth in the Class AAAA, Region 4 sectional semifinals at the time of his selection. Holloman averaged 18.8 points, 10.4 assists, 8.3 rebounds and 3.3 steals per game through 26 games. A four-time Suburban East Conference selection, Holloman is a three-time All-State honoree. He entered the sectional semifinals with 2,036 career points in his prep basketball career and is one of just three Minnesotans in state history with 2,000 points, 1,000 rebounds, 600 assists and 400 steals in the state's highest classification.

Holloman has volunteered locally on behalf of Feed My Starving Children and Samaritan Feet, which distributes feed to disadvantaged youth. He has also donated his time to multiple community service initiatives through his church. "Tre is a fantastic player," said Kent Genzlaff, head coach of Woodbury High School. "He has great instincts on both sides of the ball. He sees guys open before they know it, and he has an awareness of what the offense is going to do before anyone else does."

Holloman has maintained a B average in the classroom. He has signed a national letter of intent to play basketball on scholarship at Michigan State University 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 leverages experts including coaches, scouts, media and others as sources to help evaluate and determine the state winners in each sport.

Holloman joins recent Gatorade Minnesota Boys Basketball Players of the Year Chet Holmgren (2020-21, Minnehaha Academy), Jalen Suggs (2019-20, Minnehaha Academy), Matthew Hurt (2018-19, John Marshall High School) and Tre Jones (2017-18, Apple Valley 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 court. Through Gatorade's "Play it Forward" platform, Holloman 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. Holloman 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](http://playeroftheyear.gatorade.com) or follow us on social media on Facebook at [facebook.com/GatoradePOY](https://facebook.com/GatoradePOY), Instagram at [instagram.com/Gatorade](https://instagram.com/Gatorade) and Twitter at [twitter.com/Gatorade](https://twitter.com/Gatorade).

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