## FAITH LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED GATORADE NEVADA BOYS CROSS COUNTRY PLAYER OF THE YEAR

**CHICAGO** (January 30, 2023) — In its 38<sup>th</sup> year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, Gatorade today announced **Logan Scott** of **Faith Lutheran High School** is the **2022-23 Gatorade Nevada Boys Cross Country Player of the Year**. Scott is the second Gatorade Nevada Boys Cross Country Player of the Year to be chosen from Faith Lutheran 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 Scott as Nevada's best high school boys cross country player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Boys Cross Country Player of the Year award to be announced in January, Scott joins an elite alumni association of state award-winners, including Parker Wolfe (2020-21, Cherry Creek High School, Greenwood Village, Colo.), Nico Young (2019-20, Newbury Park High School, Newbury Park, Calif.), Megan Goethals (2009-10, Rochester High School, Rochester Hills, Mich.) and Jordan Hasay (2008-09, Mission College Preparatory Catholic High School, San Luis Obispo, Calif.).

The 5-foot-7, 120-pound sophomore raced to victory at the NIAA Class 5A state meet this past season with a time of 16:07.9, pacing the Crusaders to third place as a team. Unbeaten against in-state competition last fall, Scott also finished an impressive 13th at the Woodbridge Classic in California. He closed out his 2022 campaign as the state's fastest performer at the National Junior Olympic Cross Country Championships in Texas, where he finished second overall with a personal-best clocking of 15:50.3.

Scott has volunteered locally on behalf of multiple community service initiatives in association with his church. "Unbeaten within state lines while undertaking a busy schedule, Faith Lutheran's Logan Scott also crossed borders with ample success," said PrepCalTrack editor Rich Gonzalez. "The talented sophomore took 13th in the Rated Race at the nation's largest invitational, the Woodbridge Classic, and finished third at the Central Park Invite, both in California. Improving by nearly a minute since last year on multiple racecourses, he closed out his season with a state title and a great showing at JO's."

Scott has maintained a weighted 3.40 GPA in the classroom. He will begin his junior year of high school this fall.

The <u>Gatorade Player of the Year</u> 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.

Scott joins recent Gatorade Nevada Boys Cross Country Players of the Year Kutoven Stevens (2021-22, Yerington High School), Preston Humes (2020-21, Moapa Valley High School), Christian Franklin (2019-20, Valley High School), and Jared Marchegger (2018-19, Sierra Lutheran High School), among the state's list of former award winners.

Being a Gatorade Player of the Year means paying it forward for the next generation. Through Gatorade's Play it Forward initiative, every Player of the Year receives a grant to give to one of Gatorade's social impact partners, supporting Gatorade's ambition to fuel the future of sport. To date, Gatorade Player of the Year winners' grants have totaled more than \$3.5 million across more than 1,300 organizations.

For nearly 40 years, Gatorade has honored high school athletes at the top of their game as teammates, supporting their communities and achieving academic success. From CEOs and coaches to star athletes and community leaders, Gatorade Player of the Year winners showcase the power of sport.

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