

**ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED
GATORADE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SOFTBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (June 9, 2023) — In its 38th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, Gatorade today announced **Delaney Mosley** of **St. John's College High School** is the **2022-23 Gatorade District of Columbia Softball Player of the Year**. Mosley is the second Gatorade District of Columbia Softball Player of the Year to be chosen from St. John's College 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 Mosley as District of Columbia's best high school softball player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Softball Player of the Year award to be announced in June, Mosley joins an elite alumni association of state award-winners in 12 sports, including Jordyn Bahl (2020-21, Papillion-La Vista High School, Neb.), Megan Faraimo (2017-18, Cathedral Catholic High School, Calif.), Rachel Garcia (2014-15, Highland High School, Calif.) and Cat Osterman (2000-01, Cypress Springs High School, Texas).

The 5-foot-8 senior shortstop led the Cadets to a 15-8 record and the DCSAA tournament championship this past season. Mosley batted .656 with 35 runs scored, 34 RBI and 13 doubles. She also swiped 23 bases while compiling a .687 on-base percentage and a 1.131 slugging percentage. Ranked as the nation's No. 125 prospect in the Class of 2023 by Extra Inning Softball, she was 7-for-12 with six runs scored, five RBI and five steals in the Cadets' three-game postseason run to the DCSAA title.

Mosley has volunteered locally at Bread for the City, an agency that serves the needy in Washington. She has also donated her time at the DC Turkey Trot and the Rock 'n' Roll Marathon. "Delaney gives 100 percent in practices and games," said Diane Thomas, head coach of St. John's College High School. "She has been a big part of the SJC softball program's growth and improvement during her tenure."

Mosley has maintained a 3.83 GPA in the classroom. She has signed a National Letter of Intent to play softball on scholarship at the University of Illinois 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.

Mosley joins recent Gatorade District of Columbia Softball Players of the Year C.J. Roy (2021-22 & 2020-21 Maret School), JoJo Scurry (2019-20, Wilson High School), and Jamie Wang (2018-19, National Cathedral 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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