

**STONEY CREEK HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED
GATORADE MICHIGAN GIRLS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (June 23, 2023) — In its 38th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, Gatorade today announced **Lilley Bosley** of **Stoney Creek High School** is the **2022-23 Gatorade Michigan Girls Soccer Player of the Year**. Bosley is the first Gatorade Michigan Girls Soccer Player of the Year to be chosen from Stoney Creek 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 Bosley as Michigan'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, Bosley joins an elite alumni association of state award-winners in 12 sports, including Alyssa Thompson (2020-21, Harvard-Westlake School, Calif.), Mallory Swanson (2014-15, Mountain Vista High School, Colo.), Heather O'Reilly (2002-03 & 2001-02, East Brunswick High School, N.J.) and Abby Wambach (1997-98, Our Lady of Mercy School of Young Women, N.Y.).

The 5-foot-9 senior midfielder and forward led the Cougars to a 26-1-1 record and the Division 1 state championship this past season. Bosley scored 42 goals and passed for 11 assists, including a pair of tallies in the final 10 minutes as Stoney Creek High School rallied to beat Hudsonville High School, 2-1, in the state title game. The state's 2022 Miss Soccer winner, she's ranked as the No. 50 recruit in the Class of 2023 by PrepSoccer.com and concluded her prep soccer career with 91 goals and 20 assists.

Bosley has volunteered locally at a food pantry and by stuffing backpacks with provisions for underprivileged children. She has also donated her time on behalf of the Special Olympics and as a youth soccer coach. "Lilley's stats speak for themselves, but when you read between the lines, you see that many of the goals she's scored came at the most critical moments in big games," said Trevor Foster, head coach of Romeo High School. "Top-flight players show up when it matters most. I've seen Lilley show up big many times over the years."

Bosley has maintained a weighted 4.19 GPA in the classroom. She has signed a National Letter of Intent to play soccer on scholarship at the University of Michigan 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.

Bosley joins recent Gatorade Michigan Girls Soccer Players of the Year Theryn Hallock (2021-22, Forest Hills Central High School), Madison Salzenstein (2020-21, Detroit Country Day School), Avery Fenchel (2019-20, Novi High School), and Jansen Eichenlaub (2018-19, Marian 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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