

**GRETNA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED  
GATORADE NEBRASKA GIRLS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

**CHICAGO** (June 23, 2023) — In its 38<sup>th</sup> year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, Gatorade today announced **Allison Marshall** of **Gretna High School** is the **2022-23 Gatorade Nebraska Girls Soccer Player of the Year**. Marshall is the second Gatorade Nebraska Girls Soccer Player of the Year to be chosen from Gretna 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 Marshall as Nebraska'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, Marshall 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-10 junior forward led the Dragons to a 21-0 record and a third straight Class A state championship this past season. Marshall scored 21 goals and passed for 7 assists, earning Team Captain honors on the Lincoln Journal Star Super State Team and the Omaha World Herald All-State Team. She is also Nebraska's returning Gatorade Player of the Year.

Marshall has volunteered locally with Play It Forward Nebraska, teaching young athletes sports as well as life lessons. She has also donated her time to the Gretna Craft Fair in addition to decorating her church for the holidays. "She's an incredibly strong and agile player," said Jacque Tevis-Butler, Millard West High School head coach. "She does a nice job playing with her back to the goal and either distributing or turning. She also does a nice job of reading the play, finding holes and exploding to space. To top it off, I see her as a pretty unselfish player."

Marshall has maintained a 4.0 GPA in the classroom. She has made a verbal commitment to play soccer on scholarship at Kansas State University beginning in the fall of 2024.

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.

Two-time winner Marshall joins recent Gatorade Nebraska Girls Soccer Players of the Year Sarah Weber (2020-21 & 2019-20, Gretna High School) and Reagan Raabe (2018-19, Millard West 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.

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).