

**WESTTOWN SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED
GATORADE PENNSYLVANIA GIRLS BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (March 13, 2025) — In its 40th year of honoring the nation’s most elite high school athletes, Gatorade today announced **Jordyn Palmer** of **Westtown School** is the **2024-25 Gatorade Pennsylvania Girls Basketball Player of the Year**. Palmer is the second Gatorade Pennsylvania Girls Basketball Player of the Year to be chosen from Westtown School.

Gatorade Player of the Year is the top honor in high school sports, celebrating the nation’s best high school athletes for their success on the court, in the classroom and in the community. The award distinguishes Palmer as Pennsylvania’s best high school girls basketball player and she joins an impressive group of alumni that spans CEOs, coaches and star athletes such as Candace Parker (2002-03 & 2003-04, Naperville Central High School, Illinois), Paige Bueckers (2019-20, Hopkins High School, Minnesota) and Joyce Edwards (2023-24, Camden High School, South Carolina).

The state’s returning Gatorade Player of the Year, the 6-foot-1 sophomore forward led the Moose to a 27-3 record and a fourth-straight Pennsylvania Independent Athletic Association Tournament championship this past season. Palmer averaged 21.6 points, 10.5 rebounds, 5.8 assists, 3.1 blocks and 2.6 steals per game, and tallied 26 points in a 71-47 win over Friends’ Central School in the state final. A three-time PAISAA First Team All-State selection, she is ranked as the nation’s No. 4 recruit in the Class of 2027 by ESPN and 247Sports.

A member of her school’s Black Student Union, Palmer has volunteered locally at the Lighthouse Youth Center in Oxford. “Jordyn is an all-around player and can play inside and out,” said Andrea Peterson, head coach of Saints John Neumann and Maria Goretti Catholic High School. “She makes it look easy on both ends. Jordyn changes the game.”

Palmer has maintained a B average in the classroom. She will begin her junior year of high school this fall.

The [Gatorade Player of the Year](#) program annually recognizes one winner in the District of Columbia and each of the 50 states across 12 different high school sports – 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 Palmer joins recent Gatorade Pennsylvania Girls Basketball Players of the Year Gabby Casey (2022-23, Lansdale Catholic High School), Kaylene Smikle (2021-22, Westtown School) and Kaitlyn Orihel (2020-21, Archbishop Wood High School), among the state’s list of former award winners.

As part of Gatorade’s commitment to breaking down barriers in sport, every Player of the Year also receives a grant to donate to a social impact partner. To date, the Gatorade Player of the Year program has provided more than \$5.6 million in grants to winners across more than 2,000 organizations.

To learn more about the Gatorade Player of the Year program, check out past winners or to nominate student-athletes, visit playeroftheyear.gatorade.com or follow us on social media on Instagram at [instagram.com/Gatorade](https://www.instagram.com/Gatorade), Facebook at [facebook.com/GatoradePOY](https://www.facebook.com/GatoradePOY) and X(Twitter) at [x.com/Gatorade](https://www.x.com/Gatorade).