

LONDONDERRY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED
GATORADE NEW HAMPSHIRE SOFTBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (June 9, 2025) — In its 40th year of honoring the nation's most elite high school athletes, Gatorade today announced Elisabeth Kearney of Londonderry High School is the 2024-25 Gatorade New Hampshire Softball Player of the Year.

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 field, in the classroom and in the community. The award distinguishes Kearney as New Hampshire's best high school softball player, and she joins an impressive group of alumni that spans CEOs, coaches and star athletes such as Cat Osterman (2000-01, Cypress Springs High School, Texas), Rachel Garcia (2014-15 & 2012-13, Highland High School, Calif.), Ava Brown (2022-23, Lake Creek High School, Texas) and Addisen Fisher (2023-24, Bend High School, Oregon).

At the time of her selection, the 5-foot-8 junior right-handed pitcher had led the Lancers to a 19-0 record and the top seed in the Division I state tournament. Kearney posted a 14-0 mark in the circle with a 0.239 ERA through 19 games, striking out 209 batters while walking just 24 in 88 innings. She recorded a 0.420 WHIP and threw five no-hitters. Offensively, she entered the postseason batting .466 with five home runs, 30 RBI and 14 runs scored, recording a .500 on-base percentage, an .862 slugging percentage and a 1.362 OPS. She was a member of Londonderry's 2024 state championship team and was a 2024 Division I First Team All-State selection.

A National Honor Society member, Kearney has volunteered locally with 'A Shot For Life,' which raises money for cancer research. She has also served on the executive board of Londonderry's Peer Mentorship Program and is on the school's Athletic Leadership Council. "Normally when coaches break down opponents before a game they can find tendencies to hopefully help them succeed against that player or team," said Nashua South High School head coach Kevin Handy. "The only thing you'll pick up on for Kearney is absolute dominance."

Kearney has maintained a 3.91 weighted GPA in the classroom. She has verbally committed to play softball on scholarship at Stonehill College beginning in the fall of 2026.

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.

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, Facebook at facebook.com/GatoradePOY and X (Twitter) at x.com/Gatorade.

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