

## BOULDER HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED GATORADE COLORADO BOYS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR

**CHICAGO** (June 12, 2025) — In its 40<sup>th</sup> year of honoring the nation's most elite high school athletes, Gatorade today announced **Xander Sevia**n of **Boulder High School** is the **2024-25 Gatorade Colorado Boys Soccer 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 Sevia as Colorado's best high school boys soccer player, and he joins an impressive group of alumni that spans CEOs, coaches and star athletes such as Ben Bender (2019-20, Calvert Hall College High School, M.D.) and Ransford Gyan (2022-23 & 2023-24, St. Benedict's Preparatory School, N.J.).

The 5-foot-11, 150-pound senior forward and midfielder scored 24 goals and passed for 26 assists this past season, leading the Panthers (17-1-1) to the Class 5A state semifinals. A Class 5A First Team All-State selection, Sevia recorded multiple points in 13 of 19 games. The MVP of the High School All-American Game last December, he's ranked as the nation's No. 5 recruit in the Class of 2025 by PrepSoccer.com.

Sevia has volunteered locally as a youth soccer coach. "Xander is a dynamic, attacking player and caused us all kinds of problems," said Adam Buseck, head coach of Heritage High School. "He is one of the best in recent memory. We had two or even three guys trying to stop him and he still picked us apart."

Sevia has maintained a weighted 3.63 GPA in the classroom. He has signed a written letter of athletic aid to play soccer at Clemson University 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.

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](https://playeroftheyear.gatorade.com) or follow us on social media on Instagram at [instagram.com/Gatorade](https://instagram.com/Gatorade), Facebook at [facebook.com/GatoradePOY](https://facebook.com/GatoradePOY) and X(Twitter) at [x.com/Gatorade](https://x.com/Gatorade).

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