

HELLGATE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED GATORADE MONTANA BOYS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (June 12, 2025) — In its 40th year of honoring the nation's most elite high school athletes, Gatorade today announced **Brady Reed of Hellgate High School** is the **2024-25 Gatorade Montana 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 Reed as Montana'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.).

Also the 2022-23 Gatorade State Player of the Year, the 5-foot-7, 140-pound senior forward scored 25 goals and passed for 23 assists this past season, leading the Knights (15-1) to the Class AA state semifinals. Reed is a two-time Western AA Conference Player of the Year who played only club soccer a year ago as a junior. The only Montana boys player in history to make an Olympic Development Program National Team, he concluded his prep soccer career second in state history with 47 assists.

A practiced pianist, Reed has volunteered locally distributing goods to the homeless in Missoula. He has also donated his time as a youth soccer coach and referee. "Brady is a special Montana talent in a pool that continues to grow," said Justin Mikkola, head coach of Sentinel High School. "His internal drive and competitiveness are unmatched. He's an attacking force, and not just by himself. He combines well with teammates and is a problem for the opposition trying to keep the ball out of their net."

Reed has maintained a 3.68 GPA in the classroom. He will attend Seattle Pacific University this fall and join the soccer program as a scholarship player for the 2026 season.

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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