## THE TATNALL SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED GATORADE DELAWARE BOYS TRACK & FIELD PLAYER OF THE YEAR

**CHICAGO** (June 25, 2025) — In its 40<sup>th</sup> year of honoring the nation's most elite high school athletes, Gatorade today announced **Max Martire** of **The Tatnall School** is the **2024-25 Gatorade Delaware Boys Track & Field 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 Martire as Delaware's best high school track & field athlete, and he joins an impressive group of alumni that spans CEOs, coaches and star athletes such as Alan Webb (2000-01, South Lakes High School, Va.), Kerron Clement (2002-03, Laporte High School, Texas) and Christian Miller (2023-24, Creekside High School, Fl.).

The 6-foot-3, 250-pound junior throws specialist set a state record in the discus toss at the Bob Friday Warrior Invitational this past season, launching the implement 197 feet, 2 inches to break a mark that had stood since 1982. The effort ranked No. 20 nationally among boys prep competitors this spring. Martire also won the discus and placed third in the shot put at the Division 2 state meet, leading the Hornets to second place as a team. He won the discus event at the DIAA Meet of Champions as well and earned All-American status with a second-place finish in the discus at New Balance Nationals Outdoor.

A three-year class representative in Tatnall's student government, Martire is the founder and president of his school's chess club. He has volunteered locally at the Central YMCA in Wilmington and as a youth camp counselor. "Max is a great competitor," said Marvin Morris, head coach of Woodbridge High School. "He comes up with great throws under pressure."

Martire has maintained an A average in the classroom. He will begin his senior year of high school this fall.

The <u>Gatorade Player of the Year</u> 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 <u>playeroftheyear.gatorade.com</u> or follow us on social media on Instagram at <u>instagram.com/Gatorade</u>. Facebook at <u>facebook.com/GatoradePOY</u> and X(Twitter) at <u>x.com/Gatorade</u>.

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