CANTON HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED GATORADE MICHIGAN BOYS TRACK & FIELD PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (June 25, 2025) — In its 40^{th} year of honoring the nation's most elite high school athletes, Gatorade today announced Quincy Isaac of Canton High School is the 2024-25 Gatorade Michigan 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 Isaac as Michigan'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-1, 165-pound senior jumps specialist won the Division I state title in the long jump this past season with a leap of 24 feet, 11.5 inches, which ranked No. 2 nationally among prep competitors this spring. Isaac took bronze at the USATF Under-20 Championships and also won the long jump at New Balance Nationals Indoor, earning him dual All-American status.

A member of the Canton High School student council, Isaac has volunteered locally delivering meals to the homeless and repurposing used clothing to make toys for shelter animals. He has also donated his time as a tutor in math, Spanish and chemistry in addition to serving as a youth basketball and track coach. "Consistency was key for Quincy Isaac, who finished up his prep career as one of the premier leapers in the land over the past two years," said Rich Gonzalez, editor of PrepCalTrack.

Isaac has maintained a 3.70 GPA in the classroom. He has signed a written letter of athletic aid to compete for the University of Michigan 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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