

**ATHLETES NAME:** A'jaylah Yates

**SCHOOL:** Seventy-First High School

**CLASSIFICATION:** 3A

**SPORTS:** Soccer and Track and Field

**NOMINATOR:** Sade' Mangum

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**NOMINATOR SCHOOL:** Seventy-First High School

**NOMINATOR POSITION:** Head Coach Women's Track & Field

**ATHLETES QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Track Stats:**

**2023:**

Qualified for 3A Mid-East Regionals in the 100m & 200m

United 8 Conference Championship 2nd 100m & 200m, 3rd 400m

4th Annual Kathy McMillan Invitational

100m 2nd & 200m 2nd

City View Athlete of the Week (Track)

**2022:**

Fayetteville's High School Track and Field All-Star Team.

NCHSAA 3A State Championship 5th 100m & 200m

3A Mid-East Regionals Champion in the 100m & 200m

United 8 Conference Championship 2nd 100m & 200m, 3rd 4x2

**2021:**

Sandhills Athletic Conference (SAC) District Championship: 100M Champion, 200M 2nd Place, 400M 2nd Place

4A Mid-East Regionals

100m 3rd Place

NC 4A State Track Meet 100M 13th place

**Soccer:** Total 92 goals; 25 Assist; 35 Steals

\*NC State Record Holder with 11

goals scored in a half/broke school record.

\*4 Year Varsity Captain

\*4 Year MVP

\*13 Player of the Year Awards

\*2023 East-West All Star

\*2022 NC All-State Team

\*2022 United 8 Conference POTY

\*2023 United Soccer Coaches/\*MaxPreps HS Players of the Week.

\*2023 910 Preps Athlete of the Week

\*2023 CityView Athlete of the Week

\*2022(SAC) 1st Team All-Conference

**REFERENCE NAMES (LETTERS ATTACHD AND PICTURE):** Earl Vaughan Jr and Rodd Blaxley

Greetings, I'm Coach Tony Coleman with 71st High School Soccer. I've been Ajaylah Yates high school Coach the last 4 years and I have nothing but the highest regard for this phenomenal young lady and athlete. She has become a outstanding player and leader on our women's soccer team and she's a terrific friend to all around her. She has established herself as one of the top soccer players not only in our conference but our state. She has excelled on the pitch every year and it's lead to her being a much respected and valued member of 71st soccer. She's been a great team captain and leads by example always. She makes no excuses and holds herself accountable. She has done an amazing job of keeping herself at the top of the game as her stats show each year. Ajaylah is an amazing person that absolutely loves the competition as it is a source of her drive. I have no doubt that she is more than worthy of being Athlete of the Year. I hope that she gets recognized as she continues to show her natural abilities on and off the field.

Coach Tony Coleman  
Seventy-First High School