

Gannon Takayesu

Lewis Ray Youth Bowler of the Year

Gannon Takayesu is a 16-year-old youth bowler who has accomplished many things in his bowling career of 8 years, and he hopes to continue to do so in the future.

Passionate and hardworking, Gannon is an inspiring young man to all who encounter him. When he is not bowling, he spends his time creating memories with family and friends. In his spare time, Gannon spends his time improving his dancing and creative drawing skills.



Throughout the years, Gannon has earned various awards and obtained countless achievements that have kept him near the top at nearly every stage in his career.

At the beginning of his competitive bowling career, Gannon claimed back to back titles of Handicap Bowler of the Year for the Lone Star Youth Classic Tour in 2010 and 2011. In the 10-14 Handicap Division of the Jena Kay Hutchings Memorial Tournament, Gannon achieved a victorious 1st place title in 2012. For the year 2014 of the Jena Kay Hutchings Memorial Tournament, 10-14 Handicap Division, Gannon made a great run for the title and finished in 2nd place. After falling short of first place at the previous tournament, Gannon claimed the impressive title of 1st place at the 2014 Barnes Thanksgiving Classic Tournament U13 Handicap Division.

In 2015, Gannon achieved a massive feat by winning the Amateur Bowlers Tour Texas Regional Tournament and finished 1st place at the Pepsi State Youth Championships in the U15 Boys Scratch Division.

The following year, Gannon placed 3rd in the Pepsi State Youth Championships for U15 Scratch Division. Texas Youth Masters and Queens is a prestigious tournament, which Gannon managed to qualify for in 2015 as the youngest in history at age 13 while also qualifying the following year as well. In the Dallas Youth Open U15 Scratch Division, Gannon finished in 2nd place for both 2015 and 2016.

An avid and successful competitor in Grand Prix State Finals, Gannon was a semifinalist for the Junior Boys Division in 2015. For both 2016 and 2017, Gannon made it to the finals, finishing in 2nd place for the Grand Prix State Finals in the Junior Boys Division. Gannon also contributed to the team that took 1st place at the Grand Prix All Stars Championships in 2015. Over the course of the last 4 years, Gannon has accumulated titles from the Texas State USBC Youth Championships such as 1st in All Events, 1st in Doubles, 2nd in Singles, and 2nd in Teams. Gannon managed to claim 1st place three times at the Teen Bowlers Circuit Super Seven U15. Following his many wins, Gannon went on to make it to the finals and finished 2nd place at a TBC in the U20 Division. Remaining a top contender in the state, Gannon also maintained that status locally in events like the NCTUSBC Youth Championship, which he earned 1st place for Division 2 Team in 2015. In the NCTUSBC Youth Travel League, Gannon was a member of the 1st place team for 2017.

Gannon's highest game is currently a 298, and highest series is a 736. Gannon is a well-traveled and experienced bowler, having bowled Junior Gold and leagues at AMF Eules, Brunswick Zone Watauga, USA Bowl, and NCT Youth Travel League for the last five years. Gannon currently averages 204 on a house shot and 184 on the sport shot. The upcoming year, Gannon will compete in his fifth consecutive year of Junior Gold in Dallas. Gannon Takayesu is a talented youth bowler that has already amassed an extraordinary

amount of experience and accomplishments, yet he will continue his bowling career until he achieves his dream of making it onto Junior Team USA.

