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McDAVID, COZENS AND ROBERTSON NAMED NHL 'THREE STARS' OF THE WEEK

NEW YORK (Dec. 5, 2022) – Edmonton Oilers center **Connor McDavid**, Buffalo Sabres center **Dylan Cozens** and Dallas Stars left wing **Jason Robertson** have been named the NHL's "Three Stars" for the week ending Dec. 4.

FIRST STAR - CONNOR McDAVID, C, EDMONTON OILERS

McDavid paced the NHL with 5-6—11 in four games – all multi-point performances – to propel the Oilers (14-11-0, 28 points) to a 3-1-0 week. He registered 1-2—3, including the primary assist on both the tying goal with 4.4 seconds remaining in regulation and the overtime winner, in a 4-3 victory against the Florida Panthers Nov. 28. McDavid then recorded 1-1—2 in each of his next two outings, a 5-4 triumph over the Chicago Blackhawks Nov. 30 and a 5-3 loss to the Minnesota Wild Dec. 1. He capped the week with 2-2—4, his League-best fifth four-point performance of the season and 27th since entering the NHL in 2015-16, in a 5-3 win versus the Montreal Canadiens Dec. 3. The 25-year-old Edmonton captain, who is seeking his third straight Art Ross Trophy, currently tops the NHL with 47 points through 25 total contests in 2022-23 (21-26—47). He also leads the League in assists (26), power-play assists (t-14) and power-play points (23), while ranking second in both goals (21) and power-play goals (t-9).

SECOND STAR - DYLAN COZENS, C, BUFFALO SABRES

Cozens posted 4-5—9 in four appearances to guide the Sabres (11-13-1, 23 points) to a 2-1-1 week. He scored once in a 6-5 overtime loss to the Tampa Bay Lightning Nov. 28. Cozens then potted two goals – his second career multi-goal performance (also Nov. 12, 2021 vs. EDM: 2-0—2) – in a 5-4 shootout victory against the Detroit Red Wings Nov. 30. He finished the week with his second and third career three-point outings (also Feb. 15, 2022 vs. NYI: 0-3—3), notching 1-2—3 in a 6-4 loss to the Colorado Avalanche Dec. 1 and three assists in a 6-3 triumph over the San Jose Sharks Dec. 4. The 21-year-old Cozens, the seventh overall pick from the 2019 NHL Draft, is averaging nearly a point per game this season (9-15—24 in 25 GP) after totaling 17-34—51 through his first 120 career NHL contests.

THIRD STAR - JASON ROBERTSON, LW, DALLAS STARS

Robertson shared the League lead with five goals in three outings (5-1—6) to power the Stars (14-6-5, 33 points) to a 2-0-1 week and extend his personal point streak to 18 contests dating to Oct. 27 (21-13—34), two shy of the franchise record. He scored once in a 4-1 victory over the St. Louis Blues Nov. 28, followed by his third career hat trick – including the game-winning goal – in a 5-0 triumph against the Anaheim Ducks Dec. 1. Robertson closed the week with 1-1—2, as well as a shootout tally, as Dallas erased a four-goal, third-period deficit in an eventual 6-5 loss to the Minnesota Wild Dec. 4. The 23-year-old Robertson, the League's <u>"First Star" of November</u>, tops the NHL with 23 goals in 25 total games this season while sharing second place in game-winning goals (4) and ranking third in points (41).

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