LIBERTY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED GATORADE NEVADA BOYS TRACK & FIELD PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (June 24, 2019) — In its 34th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company today announced Corey Moore of Liberty High School as its 2018-19 Gatorade Nevada Boys Track & Field Athlete of the Year. Moore is the first Gatorade Nevada Boys Track & Field Athlete of the Year to be chosen from Liberty High School.

The award, which recognizes not only outstanding athletic excellence, but also high standards of academic achievement and exemplary character demonstrated on and off the track, distinguishes Moore as Nevada's best high school boys track & field athlete. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Boys Track & Field Athlete of the Year award to be announced in June, Moore joins an elite alumni association of state track & field award-winners, including Lolo Jones (1997-98, Roosevelt High School, Iowa), Allyson Felix (2002-03, Los Angeles Baptist High School, Calif.), Robert Griffin III (2006-07, Copperas Cove High School, Texas), Grant Fisher (2013-14 & 2014-15, Grand Blanc High School, Mich.) and Candace Hill (2014-15, Rockdale County High School, Ga.).

The state's returning Gatorade Boys Track & Field Athlete of the Year, this 6-foot, 220-pound senior won the discus throw and shot put at the Class 4A state meet this past season, leading the Patriots to a seventh-place finish as a team. Moore also won the discus at the prestigious Arcadia Invitational in April launching the apparatus 200 feet, 11 inches, which ranked No. 5 in the nation among prep competitors in 2019 at the time of his selection.

Moore has volunteered locally as a mentor and instructor to young throwers at his club, Throwers' Respect. "Corey Moore is the best guy I've coached in 20 years over multiple sports," said Geoff Walker, head coach of Liberty High. "I've watched him make himself into one of the best throwers in the nation, both on and off the oval."

Moore has maintained a weighted 3.13 GPA in the classroom. He has signed a national letter of intent to compete on an athletic scholarship at the University of California, Davis beginning this fall.

The Gatorade Player of the Year program annually recognizes one winner in the District of Columbia and each of the 50 states that sanction high school 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. From the 12 national winners, one male and one female athlete are each named Gatorade High School Athlete of the Year. In all, 607 athletes are honored each year.

Two-time winner Moore joins Gatorade Nevada Boys Track & Field Athletes of the Year Zachary Stallings (2016-17, McQueen High School), Zachary Hawley (2015-16, Dayton High School), Mark Rubalcaba (2014-15, Faith Lutheran High School) and Dominic Smallwood (2013-14, Silverado High School) among the state's list of former award winners.

As a part of Gatorade's cause marketing platform "Play it Forward," Moore also has the opportunity to award a \$1,000 grant to a local or national youth sports organization of his choosing. He is also eligible to submit an essay to win one of twelve \$10,000 spotlight grants for the organization of choice, which will be announced throughout the year.

Since the program's inception in 1985, Gatorade Player of the Year award recipients have won hundreds of professional and college championships, and many have also turned into pillars in their communities, becoming coaches, business owners and educators.

To learn more about the Gatorade Player of the Year program, check out past winners or to nominate student-athletes, visit www.Gatorade.com/POY, on Facebook at www.facebook.com/GatoradePOY or follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/Gatorade.