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**PUNAHOU SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED  
GATORADE HAWAII GIRLS TRACK & FIELD ATHLETE OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (June 24, 2010) — In its 25<sup>th</sup> year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with ESPN RISE, today announced Ashley Satterwhite of Punahou School as its 2009-10 Gatorade Hawaii Girls Track & Field Athlete of the Year. Satterwhite is the third Gatorade Hawaii Girls Track & Field Athlete of the Year to be chosen from Punahou 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 Satterwhite as Hawaii's best high school girls track & field athlete. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Girls Track & Field Athlete of the Year award to be announced in June, Satterwhite joins an elite alumni association of state award-winners in 12 sports, including Allyson Felix (2001-02, Los Angeles Baptist, Calif.), Derek Jeter (1991-92, Kalamazoo HS, Mich.), Candace Parker (2001-02, Naperville Central HS, Ill.), Abby Wambach (1997-98, Our Lady of Mercy, N.Y.), Mark Sanchez (2004-05, Mission Viejo HS, Calif.), Lolo Jones (1997-98, Roosevelt HS, Iowa) and Bianca Knight (2006-07, Ridgeland HS, Miss.).

The senior sprinter won the 100-meter dash with a time of 12.52 seconds and the 200 in 25.25 at the state meet this spring, leading the Buff 'N' Blue to the team championship. The two-time Interscholastic League of Honolulu Female Athlete of the Year, Satterwhite also anchored the winning 4x400-meter relay quartet that clocked a meet-record 4:00.08 and the second-place 4x100-meter relay squad that broke the tape in 48.41. She won the 100-meter dash at the 2009 state meet as a junior.

Also a basketball standout, Satterwhite has maintained a 3.12 unweighted GPA in the classroom. In addition to volunteering extensively to benefit the local homeless community, she has donated her time as a mentor to elementary school students and as part of fundraising efforts for public school athletic programs.

"She had a very good year," said Punahou head coach Duncan Macdonald. "This was the first time in four years she hadn't had an injury problem, and that was very critical. She was key to the success of our program. I think she has a lot of potential for the future. She has a lot of natural ability and has worked carefully at her craft. I think she'll only get better over time."

Satterwhite has signed a National Letter of Intent to compete on an athletic scholarship at the University of Hawaii 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. The selection process is administered by ESPN RISE and the Gatorade high school sports leadership team, which work with top sport-specific experts and a media advisory board of accomplished, veteran prep sports journalists to determine the state winners in each sport.

To keep up to date on the latest happenings, become a fan of Gatorade Player of the Year on Facebook and follow us on Twitter. For more on the Gatorade Player of the Year program, including nomination information, a complete list of past winners, and the announcement of the Gatorade National Player of the Year, visit [playeroftheyear.gatorade.com](http://playeroftheyear.gatorade.com).

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