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**MCKINNEY BOYD HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED
GATORADE TEXAS GIRLS SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (May 12, 2011) — In its 26th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with ESPN RISE, today announced Meghan Streight of McKinney Boyd High School as its 2010-11 Gatorade Texas Girls Soccer Player of the Year. Streight is the first Gatorade Texas Girls Soccer Player of the Year to be chosen from McKinney Boyd 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 field, distinguishes Streight as Texas' best high school girls soccer player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Girls Soccer Player of the Year award to be announced in May, Streight joins an elite alumni association of past state award-winners in 12 sports, including Abby Wambach (1997-98, Our Lady of Mercy, N.Y.), Derek Jeter (1991-92, Kalamazoo HS, Mich.), Candace Parker (2001-02, Naperville Central HS, Ill.), Alexi Lalas (1987-88, Cranbrook HS, Mich.), Heather O'Reilly (2001-02, East Brunswick HS, N.J.) and Mark Sanchez (2004-05, Mission Viejo HS, Calif.).

The 5-foot-5 senior defender led the Broncos to a 28-1-1 record and their second straight Class 5A state championship this past season. Streight scored 10 goals and passed for 13 assists and led a defense that allowed just 12 goals and recorded 19 shutouts. The 2011 *Dallas Morning News* Player of the Year, Streight is a three-time Class 5A First Team All-State selection. She concluded her prep soccer career with 44 goals and 23 assists.

Streight has maintained a 3.85 GPA in the classroom. She has volunteered as a peer leader through PALS, a national humanitarian organization, as well as Young Life, a non-denominational Christian ministry. Streight has also donated her time as a youth soccer coach.

"Meghan can read the play extremely well," said Misail Tsapos, head coach of Colleyville Heritage High, which lost to McKinney Boyd in the state final. "She doesn't react—she anticipates and gets there before the play develops. We're a very counter-attack kind of team and she was able to shut us down completely. Her timing was incredible—that's something you can't teach."

Streight has signed a National Letter of Intent to play soccer on scholarship at Texas A&M University 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.

Streight joins recent Gatorade Texas Girls Soccer Players of the Year Chioma Ubogagu, (2009-10, Coppell), Alina Garciamendez-Rowold (2008-09, Ursuline Academy), and Ashley Rape (2007-08, Greenhill School) among the state's list of former award winners.

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