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**FAIRVIEW HIGH SCHOOL HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED
GATORADE OKLAHOMA GIRLS TRACK & FIELD ATHLETE OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (June 19, 2014) — In its 29th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with USA TODAY High School Sports, today announced Baylor Reese of Fairview High School as its 2013-14 Gatorade Oklahoma Girls Track & Field Athlete of the Year. Reese is the first Gatorade Oklahoma Girls Track & Field Athlete of the Year to be chosen from Fairview 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 Reese as Oklahoma'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, Reese 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, Ia.) and Bianca Knight (2006-07, Ridgeland HS, Miss.).

The 5-foot-9 junior hurled the discus a meet-record 140 feet, 7 inches to win her third consecutive Class 2A state championship this spring. Reese also won the discus at the state's Meet of Champions with a throw of 132-10, and her season-best effort of 149-5 ranked as the nation's No. 34 performance among prep competitors in 2014 at the time of her selection.

Reese has maintained a perfect 4.0 GPA in the classroom. A devoted parishioner in her church community and a member of her school's student council, she has volunteered locally on behalf of the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, food-donation drives and a community recycling program.

"Baylor Reese is the hardest worker I've ever had in 15 years of coaching track," said Fairview coach Brock Robison. "She's positive and upbeat, just a tremendous leader and role model for younger athletes."

Reese will begin her senior year of high school 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 the Gatorade high school sports leadership team in partnership with [USA TODAY High School Sports](#), 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.

Reese joins recent Gatorade Oklahoma Girls Track & Field Athletes of the Year Regan Ward (2012-13, Beggs High School), Madison Reynolds (2011-12, Douglass High School), Hannah Helker (2010 - 11, Edmond North High School), Danielle Nowell (2009-10, Plainview), Carissa Levingston (2008-09 & 2007-08Midwest City), and Kylie Spurgeon (2006-2007, Owasso) among the state's list of former award winners.

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