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**WOODROW WILSON HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED
GATORADE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOYS TRACK & FIELD ATHLETE OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (June 20, 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 Acey Calhoun of Woodrow Wilson High School as its 2013-14 Gatorade District of Columbia Boys Track & Field Athlete of the Year. Calhoun is the fourth Gatorade District of Columbia Boys Track & Field Athlete of the Year to be chosen from Woodrow Wilson 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 Calhoun as District of Columbia'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, Calhoun joins an elite alumni association of state award-winners in 12 sports, including Ryan Hall (1999-01, Big Bear HS, Calif.), Meb Keflezighi (1993-94, San Diego HS, Calif.), Derek Jeter (1991-92, Kalamazoo HS, Mich.), Candace Parker (2001-02, Naperville Central HS, Ill.), Mark Sanchez (2004-05, Mission Viejo HS, Calif.) and Lolo Jones (1997-98, Roosevelt HS, Ia.).

The 6-foot, 178-pound senior sprinter set a meet record in the 100-meter dash at the District of Columbia State Athletic Association championships this spring, breaking the tape in 10.96 seconds and leading the Tigers to a second-place finish as a team. Calhoun also won the 100 in 11.11, the 200-meter dash in 22.23 and the 400-meter dash in 49 seconds at the District of Columbia Interscholastic City Championships. A 2014 Washington Post All-Met Honorable Mention selection, he took gold in both the 200 (22.22) and the 400 (49.03) at the Draper Invitational.

Calhoun has maintained a 3.86 in the classroom. He has volunteered locally as a peer leader in his school and as a youth football and track and field coach.

"Acey Calhoun is a tremendous athlete," said Dunbar High head coach Kurt Bembridge. "My team has competed against him for the past four years. I have seen him blossom from a ninth grader with talent to a leading 12th grader who has put D.C. track and field on the map. He has an extraordinary GPA which I think is marvelous with having such talent."

Calhoun has signed a National Letter of Intent to compete in track and field on an athletic scholarship at North Carolina State 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 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.

Calhoun joins recent Gatorade District of Columbia Boys Track & Field Athletes of the Year Michael Smith (2012-13, Dunbar High School), Mike Crozier (2011-12, Gonzaga College High School), Collin Leibold (2010 - 11, Gonzaga College High School), Imani Kelly (2009-10, Theodore Roosevelt), Seck Barry (2008-09 & 2007-08, St. Albans School), and Bernell Hailey (2006-2007, Coolidge) among the state's list of former award winners.

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