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## EISENHOWER HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED GATORADE WASHINGTON BOYS TRACK & FIELD ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (June 20, 2014) — In its 29<sup>th</sup> year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with USA TODAY High School Sports, today announced Drew Schreiber of Eisenhower High School as its 2013-14 Gatorade Washington Boys Track & Field Athlete of the Year. Schreiber is the first Gatorade Washington Boys Track & Field Athlete of the Year to be chosen from Eisenhower 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 Schreiber as Washington'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, Schreiber 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 5-foot-10, 145-pound senior won two individual state championships at the Class 4A state meet this spring and led the Cadets to a 12th-place finish as a team. Schreiber took gold in the 1600-meter run with a time of 4:07.32, which ranked as the nation's No. 8 performance among prep competitors in 2014 at the time of his selection, and completed his double in the 800, breaking the tape in 1:51.75. His season-best time in the 800 of 1:50.99 ranked No. 16 nationally, and he also ranked in the nations' top 100 in the mile with a 4:15.70 clocking.

Schreiber has maintained a 3.37 GPA in the classroom. He has volunteered locally as a peer tutor in addition to delivering produce from his family's farm to children in need. He also developed a program to feed area homeless for his senior project at Eisenhower High.

"We have competed against Drew for the past four years, watching him as a ninth grader, when he was pretty darn good, to where he is now," said Kevin Whittall, head coach of Moses Lake High. "I have been coaching in the Big 9 Conference for 10 years and I always stop to watch his races. He is one of the best runners I've seen."

Schreiber has signed a National Letter of Intent to compete in track and field on scholarship at the University of Washington 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 the Gatorade high school sports leadership team in partnership with <a href="USA TODAY High School Sports">USA TODAY High School Sports</a>, 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.

Schreiber joins recent Gatorade Washington Boys Track & Field Athletes of the Year Marcus Chambers (2012-13, Henry Foss High School), Marcus Dickson (2011-12, White River High School), Kasen Williams (2010 - 11, Skyline High School), Derek Eager (2009-10, Tahoma), Shane Moskowitz (2008-09, Central Kitsap), Miles Unterreiner (2007-08, Gig Harbor), and Jordan Stray (2006-2007, Centralia) among the state's list of former award winners.

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