

CENTENNIAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED GATORADE NEVADA GIRLS TRACK & FIELD PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (June 20, 2019) — In its 34th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company today announced **Ashley Moore of Centennial High School** as its **2018-19 Gatorade Nevada Girls Track & Field Athlete of the Year**. Moore is the fourth Gatorade Nevada Girls Track & Field Athlete of the Year to be chosen from Centennial 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 Moore as Nevada'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, Moore joins an elite alumni association of state track & field award-winners, including Lolo Jones (1997-98, Roosevelt High School, Iowa), Allyson Felix (2002-03, Los Angeles Baptist High School, Calif.), Robert Griffin III (2006-07, Copperas Cove High School, Texas), Grant Fisher (2013-14 & 2014-15, Grand Blanc High School, Mich.) and Candace Hill (2014-15, Rockdale County High School, Ga.).

The 5-foot-10 junior earned All-American honors with a fourth-place finish at the New Balance Nationals Outdoor in the triple jump this past season. Moore's state-record leap of 41 feet, 6 inches ranked No. 4 in the nation among prep competitors at the time of her selection. Moore also won the triple jump and long jump at the Class 4A state meet, leading the Bulldogs to a first-place finish as a team. Her personal-best long jump of 19-3.75, also a state record, ranked No. 29 in the nation at the time of her selection.

Moore has volunteered locally as a youth ambassador with Positive Teens of Southern Nevada, a workshop that teaches girls self-esteem and self-development. "Ashley is a phenomenal track and field athlete," said Scott Cooley, head coach of Bishop Gorman High. "She is well-versed in many events. What is truly special about her is that she gets better every year. That can be attributed to her hard work."

Moore has maintained a weighted 3.37 GPA in the classroom. She 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. From the 12 national winners, one male and one female athlete are each named Gatorade High School Athlete of the Year. In all, 607 athletes are honored each year.

Moore joins recent Gatorade Nevada Girls Track & Field Athletes of the Year Gizelle Reid (2017-18, Rancho High School), Talie Bonds (2016-17 & 2013-14, Centennial High School), Jessica Ozoude (2015-16, Spanish Springs High School), and Vashti Cunningham (2014-15, Bishop Gorman High School) among the state's list of former award winners.

As a part of Gatorade's cause marketing platform "Play it Forward," Moore also has the opportunity to award a \$1,000 grant to a local or national youth sports organization of her choosing. She is also eligible to submit an essay to win one of twelve \$10,000 spotlight grants for the organization of choice, which will be announced throughout the year.

Since the program's inception in 1985, Gatorade Player of the Year award recipients have won hundreds of professional and college championships, and many have also turned into pillars in their communities, becoming coaches, business owners and educators.

To learn more about the Gatorade Player of the Year program, check out past winners or to nominate student-athletes, visit www.Gatorade.com/POY, on Facebook at www.facebook.com/GatoradePOY or follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/Gatorade.

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