

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

CHICAGO (June 25, 2020) — In its 35th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company today announced Ashley Moore of Centennial High School as its 2019-20 Gatorade Nevada Girls Track & Field Athlete of the Year. Moore is the fifth 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 field, 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 award-winners in 12 sports, 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 state's returning Gatorade Track & Field Athlete of the Year and 5-foot-11 senior was undefeated in the long jump and triple jump during the abbreviated 2020 outdoor season. Moore's top triple jump of 41 feet, 9 inches ranked as the nation's No. 1 mark among prep competitors this spring and was less than three inches shy of her state record leap of 41-11.5, which was a national top-five mark among prep competitors in 2019. A five-time USATF All-American honoree, Moore finished 12th at the USATF Under-20 National Championships last July and is the only Nevada girl to ever compete in that meet.

Moore has volunteered locally as a youth ambassador with Positive Teens of Southern Nevada, a workshop that nurtures girls' self-esteem and empowers self-development. She has also donated her time on behalf of the Ronald McDonald House Charities Greater Las Vegas and has made homemade masks and care packages for people in need during the novel coronavirus pandemic. "Ashley Moore is a phenomenal athlete," said Ryan Quinn, head coach of Sierra Vista High. "She very consistently performs at a very high level. Over the years I have seen her jump marks that are just incredible, and she got better every time I saw her compete."

Moore has maintained a weighted 3.49 GPA in the classroom. She has signed a national letter of intent to compete on an athletic scholarship at the University of Miami.

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 Player of the Year Selection Committee, 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.

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

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.