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National High School Athletic Coaches Association Endorses All American Research and Drug Testing

Association Helps Further Mission to Educate Youth and Sports Organizations on the Dangers of Substance Abuse

Irving, TX (October 5, 2005) – All American Research and Drug Testing, a provider of drug screening services, today announced that the National High School Athletic Coaches Association (NHSACA) has joined the company in its efforts to educate and inform the high school athletic industry on illicit drug and substance abuse issues.

There are approximately five million student athletes involved in high school sports. Based on the National Household Survey on Drug Abuse (NHSDA), some 30 percent of youth who believed their parents, coaches or other significant adults in their lives would not object to their use of drugs engaged in the use of illegal drugs like marijuana. “It is critical that people of influence with our nation’s children take an aggressive and firm stance against the use of drugs on an off the playing field,” said assistant coach for the Dallas Mavericks and All American Research and Drug Testing’s partner and corporate spokesperson Rolando Blackman. “Unfortunately, when kids develop a reliance on performance enhancing drugs early in sports, it becomes increasingly more difficult to remove those substances from their routine.”

All American Research and Drug Testing is Drug & Alcohol Testing Industry Association (DATIA) accredited and provides nationwide onsite services including five-panel drug screening, high school extracurricular drug testing, background checks, grant writing, paternity testing, drug-free workplace programs and breath alcohol testing. Customized programs for the Department of Transportation and non-regulated companies are also available.

For more than four decades, the NHSACA has had a longstanding commitment to establishing standards for education and setting a national direction for high school coaches and athletic directors. The NHSACA shares a common mission with All American Research to promote drug and alcohol abuse prevention among high school students, teachers, coaches and parents in cooperation with the U.S. government, law enforcement agencies, and educational groups. “NHSACA is proud to endorse the services of All American Research and Drug Testing to help our coaches keep our student athletes drug-free,” said Dick Gallette, executive director of the National High School Athletic Coaches Association.

Together, the organizations will assist high schools in implementing drug-free programs and help schools secure federal grants. In July, the Office of National Drug Control Policy and the U.S. Department of Education announced the availability of applications for federal grants for student drug testing programs in schools. The \$10 million initiative provides competitive grants to support schools in the design and implementation of programs to randomly screen selected students and to intervene with assessment, referral, and intervention for students whose test results indicate they have used illicit drugs.

“I’m encouraged by federal, state, non-profit and private sector efforts to head off this epidemic before it consumes the lives of more of our nation’s student athletes,” said Louis Cunningham, president and CEO of All American Research and Drug Testing. “With the help of the NHSACA, our immediate goal will be to arm those in academic and sports leadership roles with our young people with useful information and tools on drug and alcohol abuse prevention as quickly and effectively as possible.”

About the National High School Athletic Coaches Association (NHSACA)

The NHSACA www.hscoaches.org was created in 1965 by coaches for coaches. For 40 years, the organization has focused on educating, recognizing, and supporting high school coaches. They are governed by the "frontline" high school coach. The NHSACA provides coaches and athletic directors -- regardless of the size of school, win-loss record, or the sport coached -- with the opportunity to become involved in setting the high school coaching agenda of the future.

About Rolando Blackman

Rolando Blackman is a former NCAA All-American, U.S. Olympian, NBA All-Star and current assistant coach for the Dallas Mavericks. Blackman is a member of All American Research and Drug Testing's executive management team and holds a dual role of partner and corporate spokesperson for the company. More information on Mr. Blackman is available to the media at www.allamericanresearch.com/news.

About All American Research and Drug Testing

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