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Hundreds of Young Athletes Will Compete for the Gold At the 2010 Hershey's Track and Field Games *Local winners may be eligible to compete at State and National Competitions*

Hundreds of young Houston athletes, ages 6-14, will go toe to toe at the Hershey's Track and Field Youth Program Local Qualifier on Tuesday, June 8, beginning at 9am, at TSU's Alexander Durey Sports Complex, 3100 Cleburne Street. Competitions include a variety of track and field games that will test the athletes' skills and abilities in the 50-meter dash; 100-meter dash; 200, 400, 800, and 1600-meter run, 4 x 100-meter relay, standing broad jump, and softball throw.

"Today when we hear so many reports about the growing crisis in health for our young people, we are happy to highlight the achievements of youth who are actively participating in such sports activities as the Hershey's Track and Field Games," said Joe Turner, Director, Houston Parks and Recreation Department. "These games would not be possible without the continuing support of Terry Hershey. We're thankful for her sponsorship of the Hershey's Track and Field Games and for continuing to champion our youth."

The Jacob and Terese Hershey Foundation has sponsored the games since 2000. The National Hershey's Track and Field Program began in 1975, and through the years has been instrumental in promoting physical activity in the lives of countless children.

For information on the Hershey's Track and Field Games and Houston Parks and Recreation Department, please call (832) 395-7022 or visit www.houstonparks.org.