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USA Track & Field's Level 1 Coaching School Accredited

For the first time in track and field's history, the sport possesses coaching courses that have earned accreditation by the National Council for Accreditation of Coaching Education (NCACE). In June 2012, USA Track & Field's Level 1 Coaching School was awarded NCACE Level 3 accreditation. USA Track & Field's accreditation is valid through 2019. USA Track & Field Level 1 Coaching School is one of only 21 NCACE accredited programs in the United States.

"USA Track & Field's Coaching Education is pleased and honored to have the NCACE accreditation bestowed on the Level 1 course in our professional pathway for coaches of track and field. As we strive to be the gold standard for track and field coaches education in the Nation, this recognition from a highly regarded organization like NCACE assures us of fulfilling our mission and serving the dedicated community of track and field coaches throughout the nation," stated Terry Crawford, Director of USA Track & Field's Coaching Education Program.

"The NCACE recognizes USA Track & Field's exceptional work in providing high-quality coaching education for over fifteen years," NCACE Executive Director Christopher Hickey said. "USA Track & Field has created, in its Level 1 Coaching School, an intensive coaching education course for track and field coaches which serves one of the oldest sports in the United States. Moreover, USA Track & Field's support of the *National Standards for Sport Coaches* makes it a leader in American sport."

About NCACE: The National Council for Accreditation of Coaching Education (NCACE) is an organization established by the coaching education community across the U.S. Representatives include members from the single-sport, multi-sport, science/medical/educational fields, and colleges/universities concerned about the availability and quality of coaching education at all levels of sport. NCACE is a not-for-profit organization comprised of organizations and individuals involved in or supporting coaching and coaching education. NCACE supports, facilitates development of, and accredits coaching education programs and established program standards to conduct the program review for organizations seeking to provide effective coaching education programs at all levels. For more information, visit <http://www.qualitycoachingeducation.org> or contact NCACE at 978-201-1024.