

### Statement of Purpose

The Sonics Youth Track Club is an <u>AAU-affiliated</u> track and field organization serving Houston area youth between the ages of 6 and 18. The mission of the program is to develop young athletes' physical and mental abilities while also fostering self-esteem and pride. The Sonics Youth Track program provides opportunities for youth to define and reach tangible goals, instills respect for authority, and develops values that translate into responsible citizens for our community. Although instilling the desire to win is a central program objective, the organization more importantly strives to teach teamwork and good sportsmanship within a closely supervised athletic program. Through a dedicated team of parents and volunteers, the organization takes a vested interest in each child's growth and maturity. The ultimate goal is to have each child mature into a strong confident individual who has internalized the value that the "will to win is important, but the will to prepare is vital." Our focus is, therefore, the development of the entire child, not merely his/her athletic abilities.

#### Organizational Philosophy

The Sonics Youth Track Club's daily operations are organized around a very structured youth development philosophy. It is the belief of the organization that a closely supervised youth development program, if implemented properly, can instill values and beliefs that will be vitally important as these young individuals approach adulthood. Accordingly, the program seeks to enroll youth at a very early age with the intent of teaching them lifelong values and behaviors.

Although accepting youth of any age, the program makes concerted efforts to solicit the participation of athletes under the age of 10. This has been the philosophy of the program since its inception. As a result, many of our youth that enrolled at this early age have now matured into responsible young adults who not only know the meaning of competitiveness, but also have a wholesome respect for teamwork and preparation. Additionally, these young adults have developed a strong sense of community as evidenced by their willingness to "give back" each year during the Annual Sonics Relays.

To instill these values and beliefs, the organization spends a great deal of time teaching the young athlete the proper way to compete. This not only includes the proper techniques for running and competing in the field events, but also how to respect their teammates, how to respect other competitors, and most importantly how to respect themselves.

Also as an integral part of our youth development philosophy is a mentoring relationship between our older youth and our younger athletes. The older youth are expected, as members of the team, to exhibit proper behavior for the younger athletes. They are also expected to help the younger athletes prepare for events and to support them when they compete, whether they win or lose. In this sense, our older athletes are taught that they are role models for our younger athletes and they must act accordingly; while our younger athletes are taught that the older youth are individuals that they should emulate. This has resulted in a very close-knit family type atmosphere among our athletes that exhibits itself as a genuine caring attitude among all. Additionally, it has resulted in a very respectful group of young athletes that constantly receive compliments on their behavior and their competitive spirit.

## **Organizational History**

The Sonics Youth Track Club began operation in the spring of 1993 with an organizational membership of approximately 25 youth. The track program was located at a single location on the south side of Houston and competed in both USA Track and Field and AAU sanctioned meets. Since that time, the program has shown consistent signs of growth and maturity. In the spring of 2010 the Sonics Track Club had an organizational membership of approximately 100 athletes and practice sites on the north, the south, and the west sides of Houston.

Not only has the program exhibited signs of membership growth, the Sonics Track Club has also increased the competitive level of its athletes. In the first year of competition, the Sonics program qualified only six athletes for the national championship meet and failed to produce a single medal in any event. Since that time, the club has won over twenty-five national championships and produced over 220 medals at the national championship meet alone.

# **Contact Us**

For more information about the Sonics Youth Track Club, please contact:

**Camille Jackson**, (713) 446-8424

**Kenneth Jackson**, (281) 788-7346

Or both at (281) 370-4652. Email: jackson.k.c@sbcglobal.net

## **SONIC** web site:

www.houstonsonics.com

If we have inclement weather please call the Sonic Hotline at 281/494-4199 for cancelations of practice.

Hello Sonic Parents,

My name is Alisha McAfee (Tollerson), I am collecting registrations and money for the 2012 track season. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at <a href="mailto:a\_tollerson@yahoo.com">a\_tollerson@yahoo.com</a> or 713-732-4362. I will be sending out emails periodically.

In addition to registration forms, the following paperwork is needed:

- bring a copy of your child's birth certificate
- and a headshot picture of your child to attach to paperwork

All registration fees are due before your child can participate in a track meet.

Thank you, Alisha



# Sonic Track Team 2012 Fees:

## Registration fees for 2012 track season:

## One child

Registration 65.00 Regional 25.00

Sonic meet concession- 25.00 per family

Total = \$115.00

## Three or more children or middle/high schoolers who run track with school

Registration 45.00

Sonic Meet concession 25.00 per family

Regional25.00Total =\$95.00

## **Optional Fees**

Uniform \$50.00

The Sonic Track Club warm up suits \$ 65.00 YS-YL

\$ 75.00 AS-AXL

Sonics Youth Track Club T-shirts \$15.00 YS-AL

\$20.00 XL-XXXL (members and parents)

Sonics Hat \$25.00

Sonic Bags \$20.00

<u>Please contact Alisha if you would like to start making payment plans for 2012 season at</u> 713-732-4362 or by email a\_tollerson@yahoo.com.

Make checks or money order payable to: Sonic Youth Track Club



## **Customer Letter**



### Step One:

Read through this letter to understand the advantage of being a part of the Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program.

## Step Two:

Take the letter with you to your neighborhood Kroger store the next time you go shopping. Step Three:

Present the letter with your organization's barcode to your cashier upon checkout. After they have scanned your Kroger Plus Card you will be enrolled for the current year of the Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program. Every time you shop at Kroger and use your enrolled Kroger Plus Card, Kroger will contribute a percentage of your eligible purchases to the Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation fund. Once a card is scanned with the barcode, it will be active for the remainder of the program year.

#### Q & A

How many Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor accounts can an organization have? One per organization.

Can a household "link" their Kroger Plus Card to more than one organization at a time? No, the system allows for one organization per household. To change organizations, you must present your Kroger Plus Card and the new organization's barcode to the cashier.

#### Do I have to enroll each program year?

Yes, all organization's and participants must re-enroll for each program year. <u>Enrollment</u> is June 1, 2010 through Dec 31, 2010 The Neighbor to Neighbor Program <u>accumulation</u> is **July 1**, 2010 through April 30, 2011.

#### How much can my organization earn?

The Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program will donate \$1 million annually. Each organization will earn a percentage of the \$1 million equal to the percentage of total earned contributions attributable to that organization.

Kroger Cashier: 1. Scan customer's KrogerPlus Card 2. Scan the attached Organization's barcode.

The customer's Kroger Plus Card is now enrolled in the Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program & contributing funds to their organization. When you scan the barcode, the description on the receipt will say "Loyalty Div 0.00". This means the barcode was properly scanned. The following Friday, the customer's receipt will display a message at the bottom of the receipt saying "Your card is contributing to Neighbor to Neighbor #12345"

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Please feel free to contact a Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program Representative with any additional questions at 866-995-7643 or email to neighbortoneighbor@kroger.com. Additional information is also available at www.krogerneighbortoneighbor.com.

# Registration Form Please Print

Applicant's	Name:		
_	(Last)	(First)	(MI)
Home Addı	ress:		
Phone Num	lber:		
School:			
Grade:			
Date of Birt	th:		Gender:M F
Mother's N	ame & Occupation:		
E-mail Add	ress:		
ather's Na	me & Occupation:		
E-mail Add	ress (if different than above)	<b>:</b>	
Applicant's	E-mail Address (if different	than above):	
Name of Mo	edical Insurance Carrier: _		
Certify:			
Α.	I am the Parent or Guardia		cant;
	The above information is tr I acknowledge the reserved	<u> </u>	Гrack Club;
	I understand that the Sonic Coverage.		·
		(Parent/Guardian Signa	ature)
	DO NOT WE	RITE BELOW THIS LINE	
	I have examined the above Ap consistent with the above date	plicant's Birth Certificate and for birth.	ound it to be
	Registrar's Name:		
	Certified Age Group/Division:		
	Date of Age Group Certification	n:	

# Medical History Please Print

Apj	plicant's Name:	(Last)	(F	First)	(MI)
Dat	e of Birth:				
Has	s the applicant ev	ver been hospitalized	1?	Yes	No
		If Yes, Why?			
Is t	he applicant Alle	ergic to any Medicat	ions?	Yes	No
		If Yes, What?			
Is t	he applicant curi	rently using any Me	dication	s? Yes	No
		If Yes, What?			
Dat	e of last Tetanus	Shot:			
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	Diabetes			Mental Health	
	Asthma			Excessive Bleeding	Problems
	Chronic Heada	ches		Hypertension / High	Blood Pressure
	Concussions			HIV	
	Heat Stroke			Herpes	
	Fainting Spells	<b>.</b>		Hepatitis / Liver Dis	ease
	Heart Disease			Sickle Cell Disease	
	Heart Murmurs	S		Hemophilia	
	Stroke			Cystic Fibrosis	
	Kidney Disease	e / UTI		Muscular Dystrophy	
	Skin Problems			Down Syndrome	
	Neuralgic / Epi	ilepsy		Varicosity / Phlebitis	S
	Autoimmune D	Disorder		Neural Tube Defect	(Spina Bifida)

# Parent's Permission Form Please Print

I,, hereby give permission for my						
child,, to participate in the						
Sonics Youth Track Club's spring/summer Track Program. I further release the						
coaching staff and Sonics Youth Track Club from any responsibility for bodily						
injury my child may receive while participating in the program. I understand that I						
am responsible for any medical fees accrued by my child as a result of medical						
attention. I also grant permission to the Sonics Youth Track Club's president, or						
his/her designee, to complete all membership forms and registration materials						
required by the United States Track and Field Association and the Amateur Athletic						
Union for participation in local and national meets.						
Parent/Guardian Signature Date						

# Release Form Please Print

Applicant's Name:	Name:				
	(Last)	(First)	(MI)		
Franchise:	SONIC YOUTH	TRACK CLUB			
State of Texas Count	ty of				
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Doctor's Name		Doctor's I	Phone Number		
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Home Phone Numbe	र	Work Pho	ne Number		
Parent/Guardian Sig	 nature				