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A's Star Pitcher Sonny Gray to Visit Richmond's Stege Elementary School

Visit to Highlight Ongoing "Science of the Game" Partnership with Chevron and Bay Area Schools

WHAT:

Oakland A's ace pitcher **Sonny Gray** will visit Stege Elementary School in Richmond as part of the **"Science of the Game"** program, an ongoing partnership between the Oakland A's, Chevron and Bay Area schools. Gray, who attended prestigious Vanderbilt University, will distribute "Science of the Game" workbooks to fifth graders, work through science problems with students and reward them with A's-themed prizes. Each student also will receive two tickets to the A's 6:05 p.m. fireworks game against the Toronto Blue Jays on July 3, 2014.

The A's and Chevron designed and will distribute more than 15,000 "Science of the Game" workbooks to Bay Area schools that apply science formulas to questions about the game of baseball. The three workbooks, which deepen interest and understanding among Bay Area youth grades 1-2, 3-5, and 6-8, are also available online at www.athletics.com/science. Students who complete their workbooks and submit their answer sheet to the A's will receive two ticket vouchers to an upcoming A's home game (restrictions apply and are noted on ticket voucher).

Chevron partnered with the A's in 2012 to launch "Science of the Game." In the U.S., between 2011 and 2013, Chevron's total investment in education was more than \$100 million, largely focused on ensuring students are prepared for careers in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), and it has benefited more than half a million students in the U.S. alone. Chevron expanded its long-term commitment to STEM education by investing an additional \$30 million over the next three years.

"Chevron believes that STEM education is a critical element to helping students be successful and begin a pathway to high-wage jobs," said Leah Casey, community engagement specialist at Chevron U.S.A. in Richmond. "By partnering with the Oakland A's to develop Science of the Game, we can help bring science to life and show kids its applications in the real world. Chevron supports STEM to arm students with the critical skills they will need to succeed in jobs for the future."

WHEN: Friday, May 30 at 1 p.m.

WHERE: Stege Elementary

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