



## PRESS INFORMATION

# HAVERING SIXTH FORM COLLEGE STUDENT REPRESENTING ENGLAND IN COMMONWEALTH YOUTH GAMES IN INDIA

Havering Sixth Form College student Chino Okpokiri recently returned from Pune, India, which hosted the Commonwealth Youth Games for 2008 this October. Representing England in the 110 metres hurdle sprint, Chino, who competed under his middle name Emmanuel and is one of the top ten sprinters in the country, achieved a very respectable eighth place.

Chino, aged 17, was a former student of Eastleigh Community School before joining Havering Sixth Form College to study A level Law, Government and Politics and Economics. Chino has been sprinting for years and is currently in training with Olympic medallist Tony Jarrett at Lea Valley, Essex. Widely considered to be one of the top hurdles youth sprinters in the country, Chino hopes to continue his sporting achievements in conjunction with studies at University next year.



Havering Sixth Form College Principal, Paul Wakeling, "We are all understandably very proud of Chino and wish him every success in the run up to the London Olympics 2012. In fact, Mark Hunter, Gold Medallist (Men's Lightweight Double Skulls) in Beijing, was a student of Havering Sixth Form College, wouldn't it would be wonderful if Chino could achieve medal glory in London in 2012 too."

Chino who returned to College just this week, said that the experience of competing at the Commonwealth Youth Games had been fantastic. "Now I need to get my head down and work on my application for University though!"