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**Oasis All-Star Shrine Classic girls' soccer  
competition set for June 10 at Charlotte Latin**

**CHARLOTTE, N.C.** – The first-ever North Carolina-South Carolina high school all-star girls' soccer game for independent schools will take place in Charlotte on Saturday, June 10, at Charlotte Latin School on Providence Road.

The Oasis All-Star Shrine Classic Spring Game is the first time Oasis has sponsored such a competition. The game is an "outgrowth" of the Oasis All-Star Shrine Classic football game held in the fall.

"We think this will be one of the greatest games we've ever had the pleasure to sponsor," said Oasis chief executive Billy L. Farris. "We're taking our involvement in sponsoring athletic competition between North and South Carolina independent schools to a whole new level, and we're very excited about it."

The coaches for the two sides have already been selected.

"The South Carolina team will include head coach Ernie Souzzi of Hilton Head Christian, with Steve Berzins of Columbia's Cardinal Newman and Curtis Player of Heathwood Hall in Columbia as assistants," said All-Star Shrine Classic Chairman Harry Stegall.

North Carolina's squad will be led by head coach Ben Forbes of Wilson's Greenfield School along with Fernando Sosa of First Assembly in Concord and Kim Burroughs of Greensboro Day School.

The coaches will choose the athletes for each team, based on criteria of both athletic ability and scholastic accomplishment. Player selection is expected to take place in early April.

"We're as excited about this game as we are about our football competition," said Chuck Carter, executive director of the North Carolina Independent Schools Athletic Association. "We've got some of the state's best female athletes, and now we'll have a forum to show why we're so proud of the program."

Carter's South Carolina counterpart, Michael G. Fanning, pointed out that the Spring Game was yet another step in showing that their independent schools "have long had a tradition of quality athletic competition."

The game will be played at 1 p.m. on June 10 in the Charlotte Latin stadium and tickets will go on sale later this month.

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