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# **Twinsburg Township Announces Summer Basketball Camp** Basketball Clinic scheduled for August 8 – 10, 2017

**Twinsburg Township, Summit County, Ohio** – **July 26, 2017** – The Board of Twinsburg Township Trustees is pleased to announce that Twinsburg High School graduate, and renowned former NBA Player, Freeman Blade, will be hosting a special Youth Basketball Camp in Twinsburg Township. The Camp, offered through Mr. Blade's Hoops of Excellence Organization, is scheduled for Tuesday through Thursday, August 8 – 10, 2017 from 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM at 8776 Harvard Road, in the Twinsburg Heights neighborhood, for kids entering grades 3 – 8 in the upcoming school year. Registration is required, and there is a maximum of 40 students per grade/group level. This free basketball camp will teach players to dribble with purpose, control the ball, pass, shoot, and improve footwork skills. Students will also develop an "attack mentality" on the court and have mental preparation, personal discipline, and learn to honor the game.

Each day will be split between Grades 3 - 5 from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM and Grades 6 - 8 from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. A meal will be served to all participants, and guest speakers will also be on hand each day. For information on registration, please contact Keith Harris at (216) 201-1562 or email kharris@regalconsultinggroup.com.

The Hoops of Excellence Basketball Camp is open to all, and will be offered at no cost to Township residents, due to the cost being partially underwritten by Twinsburg Township.

## **About Hoops of Excellence**

Coach Blade has been coaching and training young men and women for more than twenty-five years. His basketball resume is impressive, beginning with his outstanding play at Twinsburg High School through his Hall of Fame basketball days at Eastern Montana State, being drafted by the NBA, playing/coaching in the Continental Basketball Association League and coaching both collegiate and professional basketball (men and women) in Europe.

Coach Freeman Blade's passion for basketball is fueled not only by his years of enjoyment and appreciation of the game but, most importantly, by his love for others. "I believe that basketball provides the perfect forum for imparting life skills to young people." Coach Blade uses his motivational speaking and business training experience to engage youth and parents alike. He is a much sought after speaker and trainer at college camps, high schools and middle schools.

# **About Twinsburg Township**

Twinsburg Township was founded in 1817, and had a population of 2,828 in 2010. Celebrating its bicentennial in 2017 with great pride, Twinsburg Township is home to an unparalleled combination of rich history, abundant natural resources, outstanding parks, well-planned neighborhoods, thriving businesses, and top-notch institutions. Whether you're looking for a great place to live or do business, or just a spot to spend a quiet afternoon, you'll find it all right here in Twinsburg Township. So stop by and see us sometime, and if you can't make it in person, please check out <u>www.twinsburgtwp.com</u> to get a glimpse of all that Twinsburg Township has to offer. For more information, contact Robert S. Kagler, Township Manager, via telephone at (330) 425-4497 or via e-mail at <u>rkagler@twinsburgtwp.com</u>.