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Kevin "Showboat" Jackson Joins

East Hartford Police Department's Youth Basketball Program

WHAT: FINAL East Hartford Police Department Summer Youth Basketball Program game

WHERE: Hockanum Courts, 180-block of Main Street, East Hartford, CT

WHEN: Thursday, July 26, 2018, 9:30 –11:00 am.

WHO: Kevin "Showboat" Jackson, East Hartford Police, East Hartford youth

The East Hartford Police Department will host a special guest during their final Youth Basketball Program game for the season. Kevin "Showboat" Jackson, a Harlem Globetrotting Triksterz Basketball Player will join East Hartford police officers on Thursday, July 26, at 9:30 a.m. at Hockanum Courts and play with local youth.

"Showboat" has traveled all over the world with a few of his Globetrotter Basketball friends, as well as a DJ, and put on Spectacular Entertainment Basketball shows. "Showboats Entertainment Basketball" is a youth mentoring, comedic basketball and skill building clinic that encourages neighbors to come out of their homes and into their community, sharing a message of hope and resilience for children to stay in school, make good choices, and do good for others.

The East Hartford Police Department began its Youth Basketball Program last year with the goal to build strong and positive relationships between the East Hartford youth, local police officers and the community through a fun engagement. This year, the program started on June 21 and ran weekly on Thursdays. The program is designed for East Hartford children that completed grades 5-8 and would like to learn and master their basketball skills. During the games, the staff, made up of East Hartford Police Officers, focused on individual and team fundamental skills, while emphasizing the importance of teamwork, respect, attention to detail, effective communication, and knowledge of the game – with the overall goal of having fun, and getting to know police officers in town.

For more information about "Showboat" click HERE.

To register online visit the East Hartford Parks and Recreation registration website.

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