

**Name of Person Being Nominated**

Justin Sharp

**Address of Nominee OR Family Representative if Deceased**

109 Frogmore Drive  
Ruston, Louisiana 71270  
United States

**Email Address of Person Listed above**

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**Name of Person Making Nomination**

Lee Todd

**Address of Person Making Nomination**

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United States

**Daytime Phone of the nominator**

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**Email Address of Person Making Nomination**

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**Nomination Category**

- Player

**Is this nominee deceased?**

No

**Birthdate (REQUIRED)**

11/25/1947

**Gender**

Male

**Is the nominee a minority (African American and others) as described in policy 2(c)**

No

**Played at which schools?**

Earlington High School Earlington, KY

**Graduation Year?**

1967

## **Pull Down to Select Athlete Primary Competition Region (1-16) in Kentucky**

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### **Please summarize this person's accomplishments as a coach, player, official or contributor at the high school level in Kentucky.**

Justin was a 5-year starter for the Yellowjackets. His statistics are: 1950 points, 1680 rebounds and 772 assists. His first year, the eighth grade, was the year that Coach Bob Fox (KHSAA Hall of Fame 2001) came to Earlington High School (EHS) as principal and basketball coach. Coach Fox ran a 1-2-1-1 full court press the entire game. Adolph Rupp and Male Coach Rendek said it was the best high school press they had ever seen. Justin was one of two forwards stationed at mid-court. That style of play was very demanding on the players but also very challenging on opponents. The average margin of victory for the 1966-67 season was 25.6 points. Justin was taken out early in many games. Otherwise, his statistics would have been much higher. He was a "team first" player and did not regret his early departures. He saw the benefit of giving the substitutes a lot of playing time during the season, so they were able to contribute valuable minutes in the Sweet Sixteen Tournament.

### **Please list any other factors about this individual that you would like for the Screening or Selection Committees to consider.**

Justin was a team leader. His junior year, he was the only returning starter. EHS and Earlington Million had integrated the previous year. All other starters came from the JV team. Those players had only played together for one year. Even with that lack of experience, Justin led the team to a 29-7 record and to the 1966 Sweet Sixteen. Next year, he led the team to a 38-1 record with the only loss to Louisville Male by 4 points at the LIT. Justin was a "coach-on-the-floor". In the 1967 Championship game against Covington Catholic, with 46 seconds remaining, an EHS guard caused an "over-and-back" violation. As shown on the submitted video, the guard dropped his head feeling he lost the game. Justin immediately ran to him and coached him to keep his head in the game. On the next EHS play, the guard got an assist on a Sharp basket. EHS won the game on a last second shot. However, had Justin not intervened after the violation, the result could very likely have been different.

### **Upload Additional Support Documentation**

- [1966-1967-Yellowjacket-Schedule.docx](#)
- [Justin-Sharps-Statistics.docx](#)
- [Justin-Sharps-Story.docx](#)
- [Todd-Recomendation-Letter.docx](#)
- [Hall-of-Fame-Video-Submission-URL.docx](#)

### **Upload photographs, including head and shoulders photo(s)**

- [Justin-State-Championship-Photo.pdf](#)
- [Justin-Sharp-Photo.jpeg.jpg](#)

### **Please use mouse or electronic pointer to sign this nomination attesting to its authenticity**

