

Children as young as 7 years old participate in the Josh Howard Camp and some have even grown up to become counselors.



As part of the Josh Howard camp, the children will be exposed to a number of drills, such as shooting. One camper attempts to show off what he has learned.

### Josh Howard

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when God blessed him to become a player in the NBA he not forget where God has brought him from," said Nancy Henderson, Josh Howard's mother. "I told him as he gives, God will give unto him, so I think it's great for the kids to let them know someone cares enough for them to do this, then they would want to reach out and do better with their lives."

For the last couple of years, Howard was holding dual camps at W. R. Anderson and Hanes Hosiery Community Centers simultaneously but the number of kids was getting

too large so he decided to hold separate camps this year, with the Hanes Hosiery camp coming in August. Anderson Community Center supervisor Bryant McCorkle has known Howard for years and says he is very happy that he decides to hold this free camp for the neighborhood kids.

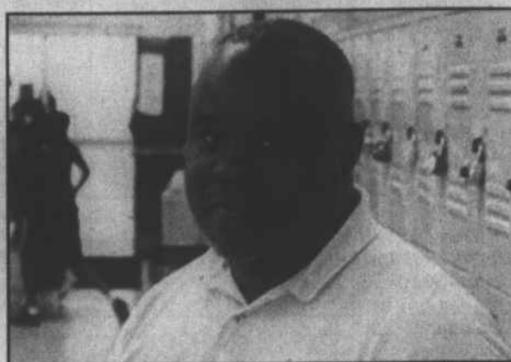
McCorkle went on to say, "Josh has generously given a lot of kids an opportunity to participate in a camp. He could have easily charged hundreds for this camp, but he chose not to. It's been a great partnership going on 13 years, and I look forward to doing it for years to come."

Howard went on to say that he wants the kids to know that a kid from Winston-Salem can make it and

there is more to life than just basketball. He says he actually looks forward to this camp because he knows the kids here wouldn't get this opportunity otherwise.

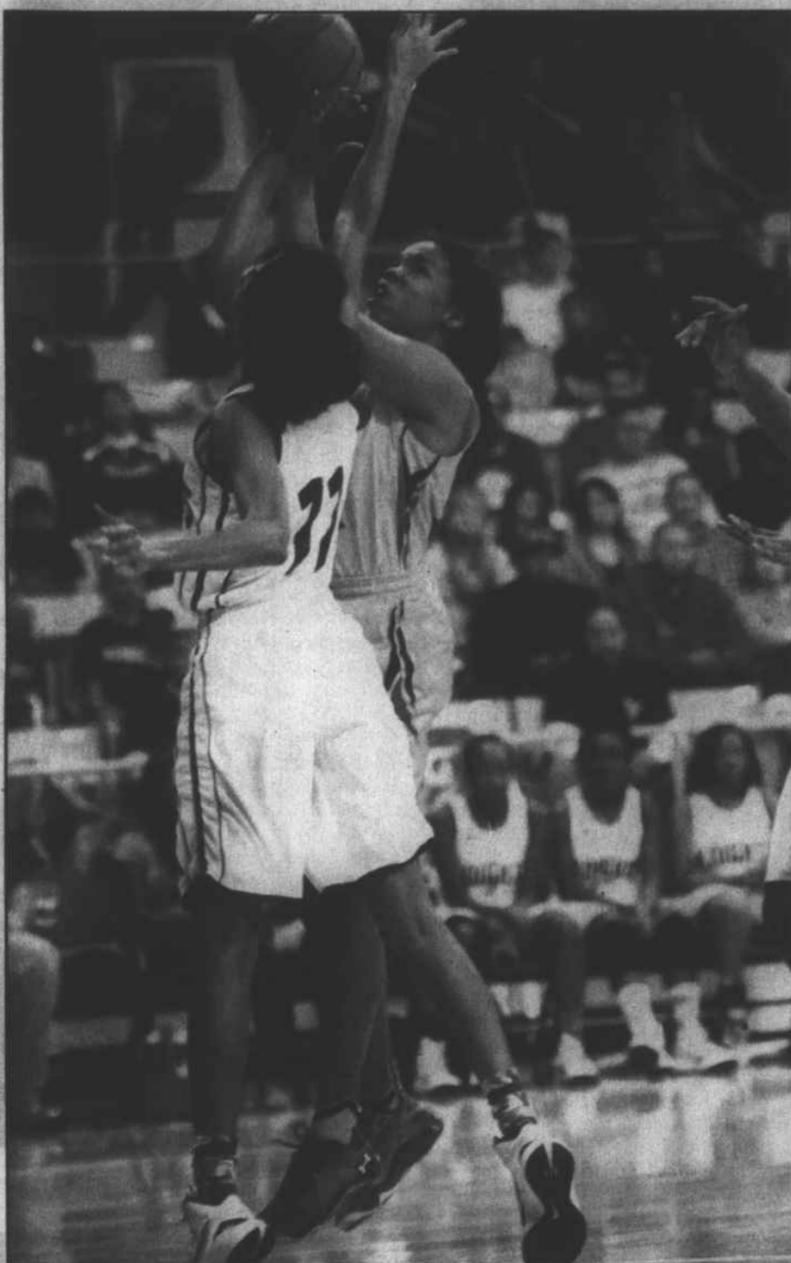
He recounted his years as a youth growing up in the Morningside section of the city and how he used to walk to the Anderson Community Center often.

The opportunity to see the kids grow throughout the years he has been holding this camp has been a blessing, he said. Even some of the counselors of the camp are former participants. He said having the kids continue to come back and see the impact his camp has is payment enough.



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W.R. Anderson Community Center supervisor Bryant McCorkle is excited for the kids to be able to experience a camp like this in their neighborhood.



Having size and quickness enabled Kala Robinson to excel in high school, but she says she knows she needs to become stronger and faster to compete with girls on the collegiate level

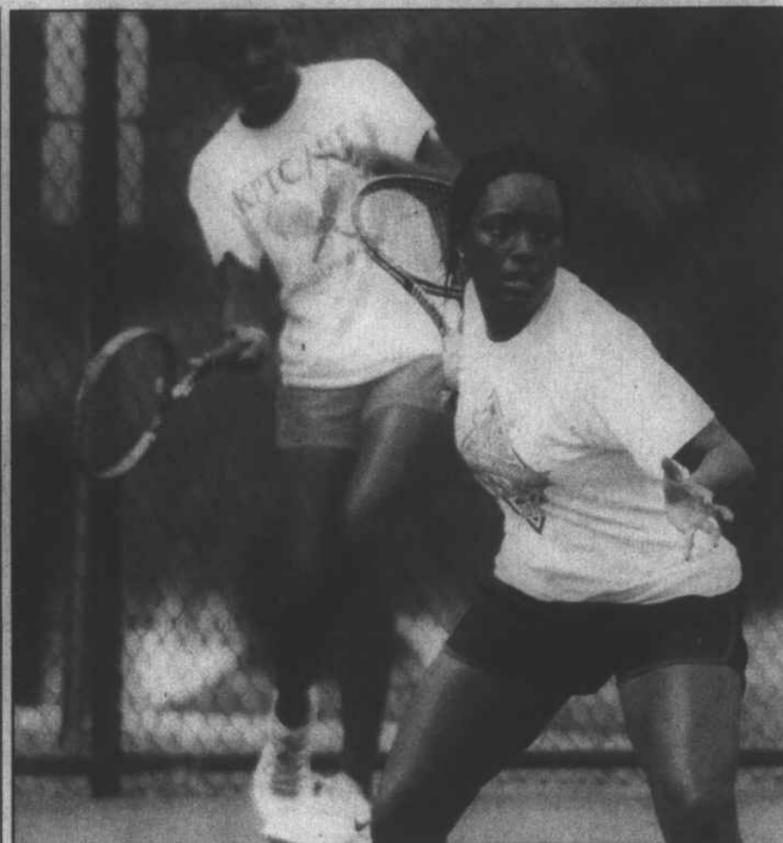


Kala Robinson, shown with her father Alvin Robinson, is headed to Fayetteville State University in the fall to play for the Lady Broncos.

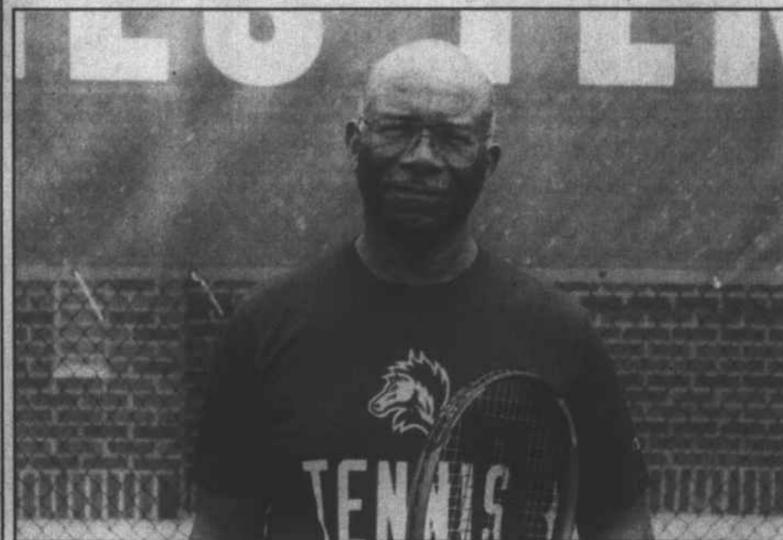
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Robinson wants to study child psychology because she wants to work with children. Following undergrad she plans on attending graduate school to earn an advanced degree and obtain a position in psychology because, she said, she likes to help people.



Makenna Mason will travel the short distance and study at Salem College this fall as well as play tennis.



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Forsyth Country Day School tennis coach Harold Moore has done great work with local youth in the community as well as the kids on his team.

### Tennis

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regionals and lost in the first round of the state tournament.

Moore is not only the head coach at FCD school but also coaches youth in the community looking to excel at the sport of tennis. He brings his community group out to train with his team at FCD so all of the kids can practice together. He stated that FCD encourages the youth to come out and train with the team members as it's a win-win for all involved.

Mason signed her letter of intent to play for Salem College come this fall. She has been playing tennis since she was a youth along with swimming and martial arts. As she entered the sixth grade, she began to focus more on tennis and her father began to enter her into local tournaments. She has been perfecting her craft since then.

"Makenna has a very dynamic power game similar to Serena Williams," said Moore. "In my opinion she will be in one of the top spots at her school and she will be an asset immediately. She excels in the

classroom as she is an honor roll student and she has been a joy to work with these past six years."

Mason finished second in her conference and lost in the second round in the regional tournament.

Caldwell and Mason wanted to let young African-American kids know there are opportunities out there for them besides the normal sports of football, basketball, or track and field.

"When you're black, you're expected to play basketball and football just like I did. You really aren't taught to play other sports such as tennis or lacrosse. I would recommend that young black kids go out and try tennis or swimming or martial arts and expand their horizons," said Caldwell.

Mason followed by saying, "Playing other sports is fun and something different. A lot of people expected me to play basketball and run track, but those were things I wasn't very good at. Tennis is something I'm good at and I enjoy it."

According to Coach Moore, both of these young players have a very bright future, and he expects them to excel at the next level.