

Superintendent's Highlight March 15, 2019



Ellie Becker and her team have really made their mark in the hearts of all of us as they continue to provide amazing opportunities for our special population of students participating in Challenger Basketball. The team played their second game of the 2019 season against rival team South Huntington on Thursday, March 7th. Cheered on by a gym full of parents,

friends, staff and family, the team showed off their skills which they have been practicing since February.



Outstanding play by several players included three pointers and key team work. Everyone on the team made a basket contributing to an exciting, close-scoring game.

The Challenger Basketball team originally started with 4 players five years ago and it has grown over the years. The schedule for this season includes games against rival



schools - Bethpage, Massapequa, Mineola and South Huntington. Coached by Cheri Wojnicki, Ed Broad and Karen Baker, the team includes 7 students from POBJFK High School, 3 students from Mattlin Middle School, and 1 student from POB Middle School. Nurse Gail Broad and volunteers Diane Olszewski and Cindy Nieman helped with practices and directing students on the court. Referee Jeremy Ritter calls the home games like a professional.

Please cheer on the Challenger Basketball team at their next home game on Tuesday, March 19th, at Old Bethpage Elementary School and our home game finale on Tuesday, March 26th, at POBJFK High School. Tip off for both games begins at 4:00 p.m.

