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Lakes women’s basketball lends helping hand to Special Olympics

On Sunday, Jan. 23 the Lakes women’s basketball program gave up cheering on their favorite football teams to help run the Special Olympics Basketball Tournament in Cicero, Illinois. The players, parents, coaches and families volunteered their time to keep score, run the clock, present awards, pass out lunches and organize and drive the many kids to and from the event. Special Olympics’ slogan is “changing attitudes.”



"It is always a great lesson for youth to recognize that there are some really great people who have special needs, and that by giving their time, they help make some families’ days a whole lot brighter," said Head Coach Pete Schneider. "I feel so fortunate to have been able to help and to get to hear and see so many great stories unfold surrounding this event."

Schneider said his players were moved by this event, and that the event director was impressed with the level of maturity and sincerity that the Lakes group displayed.

This is just one of many events that the program helps to support, and they are all great ways to learn and teach life lessons, Schneider says.

"I will have to admit the comments and the positive effects that this has had on our program is awesome and I believe will have a positive effect on how each of us view our ability to help and give back as well as how we treat or allow others to treat some very special people," he said.

For more information, contact Head Coach Pete Schneider at pschneider@lakeseagles.com.



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