

Clippers Game a Tremendous Success

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Last Friday, November 18th, a staggering 122 Kaplan students and teachers attended the Clippers vs. 76ers Basketball game at the world famous Staples Center! For many students, this was the first time they had ever been to a real NBA game. "Sometimes I saw NBA in my country. The players are really so tall and they hug and kiss like on television. I was so surprised!"--- Amirbek Ismailov (Kaplan Student from Uzbekistan).



Students were transported via school bus. They enjoyed riding a yellow school bus like American children. This gave them a chance to experience part of American culture while socializing with friends and teachers.



The students sat together in our own Kaplan section at the top of the center. They enjoyed eating pretzels, popcorn, hotdogs, and other typical stadium food.

The game was quite a nail-biter, ending with a Clippers win after an intense overtime match! Students had a chance to practice their English by cheering on our team with their friends, teachers, and staff.



For an extra treat, Kaplan students had the opportunity to come down to the court after the game and shoot some hoops on the same floor as greats like Magic Johnson, Shaquille O'Neal, and Allen Iverson. Many experienced the excitement of shooting in one of the most famous basketball courts in the world! "It was a once in a lifetime opportunity to actually go down to the court and shoot baskets. The students were all very excited!"---Janette June Lee (Kaplan Introductory Teacher).



Overall, the Clippers game this November was a tremendous success. Kaplan students are looking forward to more exciting holiday activities in December!