Good morning.....no so sure 'good' but trying to stay positive. Not sure if the Tip of the Day is also on a 3 week 'pause' but we will give it a go a few times during this shutdown.

First of all, we are the adults in this and need to lead by example. I do not like it one bit, but we need to show the kids in our lives that we can cope with it successfully and look for better days.

So.....this clip is a set of highlights and I did not have a chance to edit them...please got to about 1:40 in the clip for the play. Take a look here.

This was a game winning move. Pitt led for 5 total seconds......and won the game on this move. I apologize for the video quality. Blue 11 actually caught the ball with both feet off the floor. He landed on his right foot first, then his left, making the right foot the pivot foot. He steps to the hoop with his left then puts the right back down on his way up to dunk the ball. This is a travel!

A good pregame topic of discussion are potential travel calls in the post. Most times we EXPECT the travel in the post to be called from trail (or center) since the lead is many times 'too close' to SEE feet.....the lead usually is looking for contact from the waist up. On this particular play, trail has the penetration from the point guard first (and a legitimate option was for the point guard to continue to the hoop) and the players who helped on him as he picked up his dribble. When he makes the pass, the T now has players between himself and blue 11. He most likely did not get a good look at feet and then had no call. The L was most likely correctly looking for contact. THIS particular play was a tough one to get.

Sometimes these plays happen and we hope they aren't in the deciding last 5 seconds of a game. Maybe the lesson here is to make sure to discuss travels in the post during you pre-game conference. If you did, then the crew was at least on the same page and just was not able to be positive about what happened.

Stay positive everyone, take advantage of the next 3 weeks to spend more quality holiday time with the ones we love.

Have a great game tonight to those who are lucky enough to be working and enjoy it, for we never know when it all may be ripped away.

Tim