Good morning!

Hope your game last evening went well and travels are good!

"See Big" with screens.....

Take a look at the clip first...<u>here</u>. Look for a screen in the same primary coverage area (PCA) as the ball handler.

See the screen? Notice the score? Time on the clock? Score was 33-30 with :18.2 on the throw-in to the team losing in the first round of district playoffs (loser goes home). The team down is in the bonus. Think these are important? Before we talk more in depth, think about what happened *in this game*. It also need to note that the official at T sent this to me because it bothers him to this day about the whole situation.)

White is down 3 and inbounds the ball....white 3 sets a screen that appears to be quite legal.....blue 10 pushes through the screen which is illegal. Blue 10 then gets to the shooter and fouls her on the three-point attempt. She misses the try but goes to the line for three. She makes all three and the game goes OT. Blue goes on a run in OT and wins the game. What would we have if blue 10 had been called for pushing through the screen? Yep...one-and-one for white 3. This would have changed the whole complexion of the game with about 10 seconds on the clock if that foul had been called.

SO.....how do we officiate all that is going on in our own primary when our partners have matchups in theirs as well? Both C and L in this clip have players to officiate and cannot help. What do we do? "SEE BIG".....this term comes from the football officiating world when a ball carrier is being tackled to 'see big' and not focus JUST on the tackle....see the whole picture.....be aware of cheap shots, late hits, etc. that occur in the football world. Maybe we can use the advice from there in our game as well.....'see big' when we have the ball handler/defender and a screen going on, all in our own primary. This would almost exclusively apply to T and C since L many times has other eyes looking off ball when the ball handler is in L's PCA. This particular clip is a worst case scenario in that the screen was set off ball also

This particular play may be one of those that T just can't see everything off ball and cannot get help from his partners. MAYBE by consciously trying to 'see big' would help T see the push through on the screen. In a playoff game there is plenty of pressure and we all THRIVE on those one's going down to the wire like this. Think about being in T's shoes here....tough one.

Think about it..."See Big" to try to pick up more in *your own* primary at C and T.

Have a great game today and focus!!!

Tim