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Gateway student athletes shine at Special Olympics

Huntington – On March 1, six student athletes from Gateway Regional High School and two high school interns—Rosaliz Santana and Michael LaBranche—attended the 7th Annual Special Olympics School Day Games, held at South Hadley High School.

Athletes were cheered on by their teachers, families and friends. Students took part in several different activities, with a focus on basketball and bowling. Additional stations were set up for students to promote team building skills.

Gateway athletes were part of 150 students from surrounding districts, including Amherst, Belchertown, Easthampton, Granby, Hampshire Regional, Ludlow, Northampton, Palmer, Ware and West Springfield.

Each student athlete received a medal during the closing ceremonies, which were hosted by the South Hadley Police Department.

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Photo (left to right): Student interns (orange shirts) from the South Hadley Best Buddies club worked with Gateway athletes on March 1st at the School Day Special Olympics. Pictured are: Jonathan Griffin, Kiera Coon, Brandon LaPointe, Anna Jameson, Mei Gozgit, and Heather McEwan