Big Brothers Big Sisters
Board Report October 2019

Participants:

- # of School Based Matches - 60 - not all programs are up and running just yet.
- # of Community Based Matches - 63. Waiting List - 135.
- # of Work Place Mentoring Matches - 9

Program Highlights:

- James Fitzgibbons, one of our two Community Based Mentor Managers, has left our program for a job with Onondaga Co. We thank James for his 4 years of service to BBBS.
- Laura Prattico, our Program Assistant, will soon assume James' role as Community Based Mentor Manager. For a short while, Laura will bravely juggle both assignments.
- School Based Mentor Manager Bonnie Belcher escorted 10 students from her Dr. King program to the Greek or Treat event (Halloween) on the SU campus where they received some nice sweet treats and engaged in fun activities with the sorority and fraternity students.

Upcoming Events:

- Advisory Council Meeting….Wednesday, November 13th…5:30 pm.
- Holiday party….Sunday December 8th

Success Story:

For the past 2 years, we have struggled with recruiting enough high school bigs at Bishop Ludden. This year we have established new liaisons at the school and we asked them to contact parents of the students to make them aware of the opportunity for their sons/daughters to be in our BBBS program there. We are thrilled to report that we had 28 students apply to be bigs.

We thought we had a great number of high school bigs from CNS last year (18). Well, we've had over 40 applications submitted this year. We're not sure how we will accommodate that many applicants, but it's great to know that our program is so highly respected out in the community.