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THE WIZARDS STORY THRU THE EYES OF A FIFTH GRADER

In Girard, PA there is a “Wizards” craze. We are not talking about Harry Potter; we are speaking of the most personable and grassroots basketball team in the World, those Wizards of the Hardwood, the World-famous Harlem Wizards.

The Wizards are visiting Girard, a little town that is just west of Erie, PA. This is the Wizards’ third visit in the last three years.

The kids were asked why they want to be a Wizard or why they like the Wizards.

The local newspaper, *West County News Journal*, helped promote the contest, and the editor helped choose the winner.

Here’s what the Winner had to say.

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By Alexa Dunn
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