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Down by the Schoolyard

The Barclays/Nets Community Alliance on Tuesday unveiled a new playground at P.S. 19 in Williamsburg.

New Jersey Nets CEO Brett Yormark, City Councilwoman Diana Reyna, P.S. 19 Principal Maria Witherspoon, Barclays Capital Chief Administrative Officer for the Americas Gerard LaRocca, Out2Play Executive Director Andrea Wenner and Borough President Marty Markowitz were all on hand for the ribbon-cutting event, which represents the first of eight newly developed Brooklyn playgrounds funded in part by a \$150,000 grant by Barclays/Nets Community Alliance and Out2Play.

The features of the new playground include: kickball and baseball diamond; basketball court; running track; play structure with slides; monkey bars; benches; and trees.

"We are thrilled to unveil this terrific playground for the kids of P.S. 19, and we couldn't be happier to partner with Barclays to ensure that programs benefiting children in Brooklyn are able to flourish," Yormark said.