## **Round Ball Rumble**

Alton, TX – Mar. 23, 2019- UTRGV- The Office of Community Engagement, in partnership with Alton Recreation Center, hosted the annual Round Ball Rumble Basketball Tournament. The tournament featured 4 local elementary teams competing for a championship title trophy along with a check that was awarded to the winning school's athletic program. The City of Alton provided experiential learning opportunities for UTRGV Athletics students to participate as officiators and score keepers in the tournament. The event showcased the valued partnership of UTRGV and the City of Alton in the collaboration of the event and its staffing. The Alton Recreation Center director, Samm Mercado, stated that the event promotes civic engagement from RGV residents, while providing the elementary teams with important life skills surrounding team work, problem solving, and perseverance.