

# Robert Townson High School Dodgeball Tournament



## Objective

The aim of dodgeball is to eliminate the opposing players from the game by hitting them with a live ball (below the shoulders), or by catching live balls that have been thrown by the opposition.

## General Overview

There will be three separate dodgeball tournaments during term 1.		
Year 7 + Year 8 tournament	Year 9 + Year 10 tournament	Year 11 + Year 12 tournament

- Each team must have a minimum of 8 players and a maximum of 10 players. (Note each team MUST comprise of at least TWO (2) females to be eligible for team entry.
- Play will be held inside the school hall on the basketball court.
- 6 official regulation size dodgeballs will be used.
- The tournament format will be elimination, where the loser of each match-up is knocked out from the tournament.
- There will be THREE (3) games in total for each match-up. A FIVE (5) minute time limit will apply to each game. The team with the most wins will be deemed the winner and progress to the next stage of the tournament.
- As a reward, each Dodgeball Champion Team will face the Teachers Dodgeball Team!

## Starting a Game

Each team starts with ONE (1) ball and then there are FOUR (4) balls evenly spread on the centre line at the beginning of each game. It is a sprint to the FOUR (4) balls once the play begins. There is a FIVE (5) second grace period after the initial rush before balls can be thrown.

Each team member must start with one hand on their back wall. Play begins on the referees signal of “Go” and “Dodge” after the five (5) second grace period after the initial rush.

Players must remain within the ‘Base Line’ of their half of the court at all times, unless collecting dead balls from the ‘Dead Ball Zone’.

## Stall Count

No player can hold the ball for longer than 5 seconds. Penalty - roll the ball gently to the other team. The opposing team is responsible for calling the stall count. For example: Stall 1, Stall 2, Stall 3... Stall 5. Then at this point the player must roll the ball over or is out.

## Eliminating the Opposing Players

A player is out if:

- They get hit by a ball thrown by the other team. (No headshots, MUST be below the shoulders).
- They throw a ball that is caught by the other team.
- Players may use the ball to block; however, if the ball is knocked out of their hand while blocking, they will be out.
- They cross the centre line. (The centre line is the off-sides line. If any part of your foot or body touches the centre line, you will be declared out and thrown ball will be dead.
- Any form of unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated and dealt with in accordance to our school behavioural management policy.

## Eliminated Players

- Players are expected to be honest and take themselves out when the time comes. Once a player is out, they must sit on their team bench - located along the stage wall on their teams half.

## Team Entry

- To enter your dodgeball team, please visit our Robert Townson High School Home Page and click on the Dodgeball link to fill out your team entry form.
- A student cannot enter more than one team.
- A maximum of EIGHT (8) teams will be permitted per tournament and entry will be on a 'first in, first served' basis.
- Each team **MUST** comprise of as least TWO (2) females to be eligible for team entry.

## Field of Play

