Date: April 5, 2019 Time: 4:00 PM until... Place: Erwin Gym



# **County Middle School Dodgeball Showdown Rules**

#### **Teams**

- Each Rowan-Salisbury Schools middle school is invited to attend.
- Each team must have a member of the school's staff present during the tournament (one for each team). This staff member does not serve as a coach, but should assist in organizing or facilitating play. Teams are player coached.
- Every person attending the tournament will pay the \$5.00 cost of admission at the door. This includes team members and adult coordinators.
- 8 players per team.
- The teams can be made of boys, girls, 6th, 7th, or 8th grade students in any combination.

#### **Tournament Wear**

- The tournament will provide each team member a t-shirt in their choice of color at no additional cost. (see list of colors)
- T-shirts cannot be altered by cutting or tearing.
- Only shirts provided by the Tournament may be worn.
- Shirts may be decorated by team members. These enhancements may include names, and/or designs. Each team member must have a number on the back of their shirt, different number for each player.
- Inappropriate designs are not allowed. Tournament officials will determine what is appropriate based on RSS Code of Conduct. ADVICE... if the design is questionable, DON'T use it.
- The official team shirt must be worn during the game. Bottom wear that is acceptable during regular PE classes/or similar pant is acceptable during the game. Other types of pants/ shorts will not be allowed (example... cut offs, short shorts, daisy dukes, etc.).
- The addition of underwear as outer wear is not acceptable.
- · A prize will be given to the most fashionable team.

### **Tournament Rules**

- Double elimination tournament.
- All games will be supervised/called by official referees whose decisions are final
- All teams will be randomly placed into brackets
- Rubber foam balls will be used. Eight balls will be in play each game
- The next teams up must assemble and wait in the NEXT UP ZONE.
- The object of the game is to eliminate all opposing players by getting them out by:
- Hitting an opposing player below the neck with a live ball
- Catching a live ball thrown by your opponent before it touches the ground
- If a player catches a live ball, the thrower is out of the game and an eliminated player on the catcher's side may re-enter the game. If there are no eliminated players at the time, nothing happens
- There is an ON DECK square for each team where the next player to re-enter the game must wait.

- LIVE (definition): A thrown ball before it strikes or is caught by an opposing player without/before contacting the ground, the wall, another player, or a blocking ball
- A player who strikes an opponent, who is not moving or in the process of ducking, on the head with a thrown ball will be declared out for the game. NOTE: if a player is in the process of moving or ducking and is struck on the head accidentally, neither the thrower or the struck player is out.
- If one team has all balls on their side, they have 10 seconds to put a ball into play. If they fail to do this, all balls must be thrown to the opponent.
- Each game will last until all of one team has been eliminated or 4 minutes has past. At the end of 4 minutes if there are players left on each team, the team with the most players will be declared the winner.
- If at the end of 4 minutes the number of players on each team is equal, the match goes into sudden death.
- In the event of sudden death, each team chooses one player to represent them and one ball is given to each player. The time clock will be set at one minute. Both players must stay within the pick up lines to play. A player may leave the area to retrieve a ball.
- **HONESTY** Players are asked to call themselves out if they have been struck with a ball or if a ball they have thrown is caught. Referees will make final call.

## **Awards**

Prizes and a trophy will be awarded to the 1st place team and the most fashionable team.

# **Dates and Stuff**

- The Showdown website is: <a href="https://www.dodgeballshowdown.weebly.com">www.dodgeballshowdown.weebly.com</a>
- The tournament date is April 5.
- Registration deadline is March 22.
- Team shirts will be sent to each school as soon as possible after the online team registration is complete and the liability forms have been received.
- General admission for spectators (including players) will be \$5.00, payable at the gate.
- Concessions will be sold by the Eagles Club (pizza, candy, sodas, etc.).

#### Colors:

Orange

Kelly Green

Teal

Royal Blue

**Purple** 

Yellow

Neon Yellow

Gold

White

Light Blue

Neon Pink

Neon Green

Heather (gray)

Red

Black

**Tropical Pink**