## **Dodgeball Rules**

Object of game: to get all players "out" on the opposing team. A player is considered "out" if he or she is hit by a ball (without it bouncing or hitting the floor or wall) or if he or she throws a ball that is caught by an opposing player. A head shot will result in the hit player being eliminated.

You may use a ball in hand to deflect a thrown ball.

Any caught ball- whether it is deflected off a ball in hand or whether it hits a player and someone on their team catches it- the thrower is out! No one is out if the ball is caught off the wall or ceiling.

Boundaries- all players must stay within the boundary lines during the game. No player may cross the center line at anytime during the game or they will be considered out. A player is permitted during the course of a game to retrieve a ball from outside the playing area. No player may stand behind the end-line during game play.

At the start of the game the players retrieving a ball from the center line must bring the ball past the white volleyball line before throwing the ball. After that first time, they do NOT have to bring it behind the white line before throwing the ball. Each player is only allowed to get 1 ball from the center line at the beginning of the game.

Each player is only allowed one ball in their hands at a time and may only hold a ball for 5 seconds.

Any cheating, fighting, arguing or other inappropriate behavior will result in immediate elimination of that player or team from the tournament.

No Arguing with the Referees or Game Supervisors, Referee and Game Supervisors decisions are final!