



Big Brothers
Big Sisters®
OF THE BLACK HILLS

ON THE LINE DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT



FRIDAY OCTOBER 4TH

5:00 PM

RAPID SKILLZ ATHLETIC TRAINING

840 E Centre Street, Rapid City

Registration due September 15, 2019

WHY GET INVOLVED?

Because children's lives are on the line.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

\$60 Entry Fee (per player) includes
5 raffle tickets, t-shirt, and one 1-Up
(free life)

OR

\$40 Entry Fee (per player) includes 5 raffle tickets

OR

\$20 Entry Fee (per player)

Raffle Tickets will be sold for \$10 each during the event.

T-shirts will be sold for \$15 during the event.

1-Ups will be sold for \$10 at check in.

Choose Your Opponent: \$10 (for initial opponent only)

RAFFLE PRIZE: \$500 CASH

TOURNAMENT WINNER: CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY

(and bragging rights for a year)



ARE YOU READY? REGISTRATION IS ON THE LAST PAGE.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Thank you for supporting Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Black Hills!

YOU ARE A DEFENDER OF POTENTIAL!

You are making it possible for more kids in the Black Hills get the mentor they need and deserve. You are paving the way for them to reach their fullest potential and experience their brightest possible future. Thank you for believing in them!

Included in this packet you will find:

- Location & About Rapid Skillz Athletic Training
 - Why Defend Potential?
 - A Big Change
 - Rules & Regulations
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 - Code of Conduct
 - How to Keep the Momentum Going
 - How To Connect With Us
 - Team Registration

WHO TO CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS

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LOCATION

Rapid Skillz Athletic Training
840 E. Centre Street
Rapid City, SD 57701

RAPID SKILLZ ATHLETIC TRAINING IS A YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM THAT UTILIZES SPORTS TO CULTIVATE DRIVE, ILLUMINATE VISION, AND MAXIMIZE POTENTIAL OF ASPIRING ATHLETES AND FUTURE LEADERS.



FACILITY FEATURES

- 2 FULL SIZE HARDWOOD BASKETBALL COURTS
- 2 REGULATION HARDWOOD VOLLEYBALL COURTS
- 5 BATTING CAGES WITH FIELDING TURF
- 3 PRO PITCHING MOUNDS
- 3 IRON MIKE PITCHING MACHINES FOR BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL FAST/ SLOW PITCH
- HITTRAX ANALYTICS AND GAMING MODE
- 2 DR DISH CT ANALYTICS SHOOTING MACHINES
- 2 REGULATION PICKLEBALL COURTS
- CARDIO MACHINES/FREE WEIGHTS AND FREE STANDING TRXD RIG
- 7500 SQ FT OF INDOOR TURF FOR SOCCER/ SPEED AND AGILITY/ FOOTBALL/ BASEBALL FIELDING/ DYNAMIC STRETCHING
- FUTSAL
- LACROSSE TRAINING



WHY DEFEND POTENTIAL?

Dear Participant,

What separates the kids who reach their full potential from those who don't is their ability to develop resiliency while navigating adversity. We don't decide who experiences adversity or has potential because everyone experiences adversity. Kids are full of potential. Our job, as a community, is to defend it.

At Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Black Hills, we are linking arms with our Littles, their caregivers, our Bigs, and our community partners. We are creating necessary change and giving kids the opportunity to experience their brightest possible future. Together, we are defenders of potential.

The prosperity of our kids and, subsequently, our community, hinges on the priorities we have and the decisions we make. If we do not stand together, in their defense, their lives are on the line.

I welcome you to join our On the Line Dodgeball Tournament and empower potential in the Black Hills!

In Solidarity,

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LOOK WHAT DEFENDING POTENTIAL CAN DO



A BIG CHANGE

Six years ago the security of Liam's family as he'd always known it was about to be shattered. His father was battling immeasurable mental health issues and making unsafe decisions. This little boy was too young to understand the whole situation but could feel the effects of what was going on.

As Liam's dad became nonexistent in his world, his spirit faded quickly. He was hurting so badly inside, and as he wept, asked his mother, "Does my dad even love me?" Alongside the hurt he was experiencing from his father, Liam was struggling academically and socially.

Liam was making minimal progress in reading and math, but he kept going back every day and tried as hard as he could. Even though he practiced reading nightly at home and was pulled from class for extra help, his progress was minimal. Being pulled from class left Liam feeling even worse because he could not experience school as his peers did. Again, he could feel the effects of what was going on but couldn't understand why he was so different. Liam's self-esteem continued spiraling downward as he was handed paper after paper with "U" for unsatisfactory. This led him to calling himself "dumb" and "stupid."

Eventually, during Liam's second-grade year, he gave up. He quit trying, refused to do work in the classroom, and began arguing with his teacher. He was becoming incredibly withdrawn, shy, argumentative, and embarrassed about his size, lack of a father, and his grades. This nine-year-old boy started refusing to have his picture taken, and his smile was nonexistent. Liam began having panic attacks, and lived in a space of fear.



One of the worst moments was when Liam told his mother he "just wanted to die" and that "nobody could love him because his dad doesn't love him." His mother was scared. Despite her immeasurable love, his mother couldn't give him what he needed. She enrolled Liam in counseling and began seeking answers for his academic challenges. She also made the decision to get him a Big Brother.

From the moment Liam and his Big Brother met, they had an instant connection. They bonded over Pokémon and animals, a favorite for both of them. She explained this bond as one that nobody else could replicate; one that only his Big Brother could share with him and one that is necessary to his success. Their connection was shown in the immediate willingness Liam showed to be vulnerable with his Big Brother. Liam was talkative, he went swimming without saying he was "fat," and was learning that he could rely on a male figure in his life again.



Liam's Big Brother was consistent and true to his word, showing up every time he said he would and spending quality time with him. He would come home and be in such a great mood; something his mother hadn't seen in a long time. When Liam was struggling, he would call his Big Brother to get advice, a pep talk, or reassurance that he was still there for him.



Last year, Liam was diagnosed with dyslexia and anxiety, and his dad remains absent. Despite the adversity, he's changed. He is now smiling, teeth and all, and sometimes asks for his picture to be taken. His self-confidence is restored, and he values himself. His outlook, his hope, and his ability to cope with his unique adversity has increased tremendously. Liam is happy again.

Liam loves reading, he is excited to do his homework, and his third-grade teacher says she cannot believe this is the boy whose record was so negative last year. She says, "he is one of my best students, he is eager to learn, helpful, and incredibly kind." He didn't want school to end this year.

Together, Liam and his Big Brother do crazy things like put Mentos in coke bottles and watch it explode in the mall parking lot. They do everyday things like shop at Sam's Club and then enjoy a slice of pizza and a soda afterward. Together they relax, watch movies, and have snacks on Friday nights. They do active things like go swimming and hiking together.

Liam's mother feels a significant part of his renewed happiness is due to his relationship with his Big Brother. The connection they share has helped him learn to love himself and life again. Liam says he felt "awful" before his Big Brother came into his life, but now he feels "awesome".



RULES & REGULATIONS

Minimum player age is 18.

Teams will be made up of 6-10 players.

Six players compete per side.

Assumption of Risk/Liability waiver **MUST** be signed by each participant prior to playing.

WHAT ARE WE EVEN DOING?

The object of the game is to eliminate all opposing players by getting them OUT. This may be done by:

- Hitting an opposing player with a LIVE thrown ball below the shoulders.
- Catching a LIVE ball thrown by your opponent before it touches the ground.

WHAT IS A LIVE BALL?

A ball that has been thrown and has not touched anything, including the floor/ground, another ball, another player, referee or other item outside of the playing field (wall, ceiling, etc).

BLOCKING

You may use a ball to block another thrown at you. However, if you drop the ball you are holding or it is not a "clean block" (hits you after deflecting the ball), you are OUT.

HEADSHOTS

Any player to hit another player above the shoulders, whether intentionally or unintentionally, is OUT, unless the person hit is using their head to gain a tactical advantage.

BOUNDARIES & CENTER LINE

All players must remain within the boundary lines. Players may only leave the boundaries to retrieve stray balls, and must return in-bounds immediately after retrieval.

- A player must stay within bounds to throw or catch a ball.
- If a player crosses the centerline, they are OUT.
- If a player jumps out of bounds to avoid being hit, they are OUT.
- Once a player is OUT they should proceed off court; they may still help keep the balls on the court by rolling them back into play.



HOW TO PLAY

STALLING

Stalling is the act of intentionally delaying the game. If a referee determines that a player or team is stalling, the referee will warn the player or team. If the stalling continues, at the referees discretion, player or team will lose possession of all balls on their side. If both teams are stalling a reset should occur.

OPENING RUSH

Game begins by placing the dodgeballs along each team's attack line- half on one side and half on the other. Players then take a position behind their end line. Following a signal by the referee, teams may approach the centerline to retrieve the balls and begin play.

TIMING & WINNING A GAME

The first team to legally eliminate all opposing players will be declared the winner. A 10-minute time limit has been established for each game. If neither team has been eliminated at the end of the ten minutes, the team with the greater number of players remaining will be declared the winner. In the case of an equal number of player's remaining - they will play one more round for up to 3 minutes. In the case of time constraints, tournament officials reserve the right to put a maximum time limit on a match.

TIME-OUTS & SUBSTITUTIONS

Each team will be allowed one 30-second timeout per game. At this time, a team may substitute non-starters into the game.

RULE ENFORCEMENT

BBBS Dodgeball operates under the Honor System and participants are expected to compete and comply with tournament rules honestly. Players will be expected to rule whether or not a hit was legal or whether they were legally eliminated. All contests will be supervised by a official. Their responsibility will be to rule on any situation in which teams cannot agree. The referees' decisions are final, and arguing calls can lead to a player's elimination from the game and/or match and/or tournament.

1-UP

A 1-Up (extra life) may be purchased at check-in. A 1-Up can be used to bring an eliminated player back into the game. A 1-Up may only be used once. Only one 1-Up per player may be used. 1-Ups may not be used for the last player in a game.



CODE OF CONDUCT

Good sportsmanship and being considerate to those around you, both in the game and in the stands, contributes to an outstanding game-day environment for all fans.

Fighting will be grounds for eviction from the tournament without refund.

You are expected to:

- Understand, appreciate, and abide by the rules of the game.
- Respect your opponent and congratulate them in a courteous manner following each match whether in victory or defeat.
- Be responsible for your actions and maintain self-control.
- Do not taunt or bait opponents and refrain from using foul or abusive language.
- Respect the integrity and judgement of game officials and volunteers.

REMEMBER WHY YOU'RE PLAYING...

FOR MATCHES LIKE THESE!



HOW TO KEEP THE MOMENTUM GOING

DONATE MONTHLY.

STAND WITH US! FOR A MONTHLY DONATION OF...

\$5 You can defend potential by coming together with others in our community to help make matches.

\$10 You can become a defender of matches by helping get a Little or a Big ready for their match.

\$21 You can become a victorious defender by helping get a Little and a Big ready for their match.

\$42 You can become one of the strongest defenders by preparing a Little and their Big for their match as well as helping ensure their safety and prosperity for an entire year.

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BECOME A BIG.

DEFENDERS KNOW THEIR STRENGTH IS A TRANSFORMATIVE FORCE FOR GOOD. THEIR MENTORSHIP MEANS THE WORLD TO A LITTLE. AND IN THE LONG RUN- IT CHANGES THE WORLD.

No child can control the situation into which he or she is born. Sometimes, circumstances do not allow a child's abilities to flourish, but that does not mean that they lack hope or potential.

Thousands of youth in our community have great potential – the potential to graduate high school and go to college, to get a job and provide for themselves and their families, to realize their dreams and be impactful members of our community. What they may be lacking is someone to defend their potential, the missing piece of their puzzle that you, as a Big Brother or a Big Sister, can fill.

As a Big, you can step up and defend that potential, through one to one mentoring.

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HOW TO CONNECT WITH US



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#DefendingPotential

#ONTHELINE

#DBT2019



TEAM REGISTRATION

MUST BE 18 OR OLDER TO PLAY!

REGISTRATION DUE BY SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

Registrations accepted after this date may not be eligible for choose your opponent or include t-shirts.

Team Name: _____

Choose Your Opponent (circle one): No Yes \$10

Team Captain: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Shirt Size: _____ Circle One: Women Men Entry Option (circle one): \$20 \$40 \$60

1 Up (circle one): Yes No

Player 2: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Shirt Size: _____ Circle One: Women Men Entry Option (circle one): \$20 \$40 \$60

1 Up (circle one): Yes No

Player 3: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Shirt Size: _____ Circle One: Women Men Entry Option (circle one): \$20 \$40 \$60

1 Up (circle one): Yes No

Player 4: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Shirt Size: _____ Circle One: Women Men Entry Option (circle one): \$20 \$40 \$60

1 Up (circle one): Yes No

Player 5: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Shirt Size: _____ Circle One: Women Men Entry Option (circle one): \$20 \$40 \$60

1 Up (circle one): Yes No

Player 6: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Shirt Size: _____ Circle One: Women Men Entry Option (circle one): \$20 \$40 \$60

1 Up (circle one): Yes No



TEAM REGISTRATION

(continued)

Player 7: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
Shirt Size: _____ Circle One: Women Men Entry Option (circle one): \$20 \$40 \$60
1 Up (circle one): Yes No

Player 8: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
Shirt Size: _____ Circle One: Women Men Entry Option (circle one): \$20 \$40 \$60
1 Up (circle one): Yes No

Player 9: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
Shirt Size: _____ Circle One: Women Men Entry Option (circle one): \$20 \$40 \$60
1 Up (circle one): Yes No

Player 10: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
Shirt Size: _____ Circle One: Women Men Entry Option (circle one): \$20 \$40 \$60
1 Up (circle one): Yes No

Complete your registration and return! Pay ahead or pay when you play!

Email: SavannahS@bigmentors.com (photos of the sheet work just fine!)

Send it in a message on our Facebook (Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Black Hills)

Drop it off or send it to our office: 425 Kansas City Street, Rapid City, SD 57701

You will receive a confirmation email and an arrival time for the tournament.

