



Competition Ideas

Round Robin All-Court Competition

Many programs are not aware of the easiest way to create a round robin competition. The same concept that is shown below can be used to make entire gyms of courts become one big round robin event. The games are played in 1-10 minute time spans, depending on the numbers of courts and teams in the round.

For a four-team round schedule:

1v4 - 1 (highest seed if known) vs. 4 (lowest seed if known)
2v3 - 2 (second highest seed if known) vs. 3 (third ranked team)

Then KEEP team No.1 in the same place - on the court or in the schedule and rotate the rest of the teams counter clockwise, so the next round is

1v3
4v2
and finally
1v2 (the highest seeds battling at the close of the round)
3v4

Now that that concept is seen, you can do the same on a single court, divided into four kid-sized courts for eight teams by setting up two nets longways down the middle of the regulation court. The courts are about 4 meters wide by 4-6 meters deep.

8 7 6 5

1 2 3 4

When you whistle to end the game and move to the next "match," after 1-10 minutes of play (ties at the whistle play one more sudden death point), you would then get

7 6 5 4

1 8 2 3

And so on...