

NAME OF THE GAME: Goalies Galore

GRADE LEVEL: 3-6

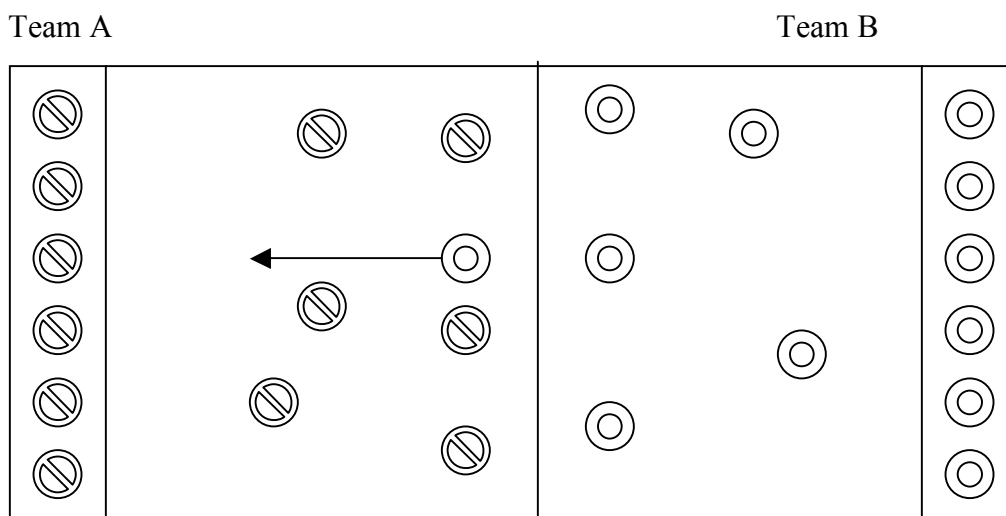
EQUIPMENT: Hockey sticks, Lacrosse sticks, Pillow Polo sticks, 2+ soft balls

OBJECTIVES: Stick-handling, passing, defense, shooting, goalie play, game strategies, teamwork, cooperative play

GAME DESCRIPTION: Two teams of twelve players each is ideal. Have each team positioned with three forwards, three halfbacks, and six goalies. Use a line marking to create an end zone for each team.

The object is to hit the puck over the opponents' goal line for a score. The game begins with a face-off between the two center forwards. With their sticks, these two players touch the ground and the opponent's stick three times. Following this, each player tries to get control of the puck or hit it to a teammate. Teams pass and drive the puck back and forth until one team scores a goal by hitting a puck past a goal line. After each goal or a designated time period, players are to rotate (that is, goalies become court players and court players become goalies).

A team is awarded one point each time the puck crosses the goal line. The team with the highest score at the end wins the game.



Variations: 1. Use different equipment with the same basic format (use pillow polo sticks instead of hockey sticks, or lacrosse instead of hockey) 2. Use the same equipment but change the method of scoring (players must make one pass before scoring). 3. The game can be played using more than one ball at a time.