

Backyard Games in Physical Education

Game & Website	PE Rating (1-10)	Pros	Cons	Price
Bottle Bash	9	• Small and easily packable. • They have a multipurpose base to play on any surface. • Comes with a built in scoring system. • You can play 1v1, 2v2, or 1v2 • Bottle Bash "Soft disc" is awesome! • Multiple Variations of play.	• You have to be pretty accurate with a frisbee. • Certain products are marketed more towards college audiences. • Sometimes it falls down if only using the spike in the grass.	\$39.99
BULZiBUCKET	9	• Small, easy to play and fun for all ages. • Easily packable	• No built in scoring system • Game has to be played 2v2	\$59.99
Cornhole I asked a local lumber yard to donate some of the materials to build it.	8	• Always a favorite because it's easy for any level. • Good for most age groups • Scoring is easy to figure out • Can be played 1v1 or 2v2.	• Very big and bulky. • Can be expensive to buy a good set.	Made it myself . It can be a fun project to build. I had the Tech dept build them, Art dept painted them, FACS dept sewed the bags.
Crossnet	9	• Fast paced and easy to play (Volleyball/4 square) • Different heights for different age groups • Can play with teams of 1 or 2. • Strong and durable set up.	• Must have 2 people to set up. • Setting up and breaking down takes time. • Only can be played on grass or sand (unless you buy the bases for an additional \$149.99)	\$149.99
DELU Discontinued	7	• Easy for all ages • Works on math skills • Can be played on any hard surface • Scoring is simple but challenging (need exactly 20 to win).	• Foam balls roll far away on a miss. • Only a 1v1 game (can adapt for 2v2). • Only comes with 1 board, if you want enough for the entire class, you have to buy more.	
First-N-Ten	7	• Small and easily packable. • Can be played 1v1 or 2v2. 2v2 is better	• Frisbee is very light and it's difficult to throw if it's windy.	\$39.95

		• Easy to understand the scoring • Made from quality PVC pipe. • They offer educational discounts	• No built in scoring system.	Educational Discounts Available
Halo Ball	9	• The most physically active backyard game that I've seen. • Small and easily packable. • Can be played with 2-10 students on one set. (3v3 works best). • Can be set up in most places around a school. • Easy to set up/take down • Can be modified for almost all age groups	• No built in scoring system. • Needs to be secured on something very sturdy.	\$79.99 Package deals available
Kan Jam	8	• Small and easily packable. • Partner can help if a student isn't very accurate with a frisbee.	• You have to be decent with a frisbee. • Some students don't like hitting the hard frisbee with their hands • Game has to be played 2v2	\$39.95
Ladderball	6	• Good for most age groups • Wood version is sturdy. • Can be played 1v1 or 2v2	• Annoying to assemble • PVC version doesn't last long. Students are throwing golf balls at the target, someone might get hit.	\$29.99 - \$59.99 I built my own, it lasts longer.
Ontopballtoss	8	• Good for all ages • Can be played 1v1 or 2v2. • Several instructional videos online • Durable • Rewards clutch performances.	• Difficult to assemble the first time. • Expensive • Getting the bags out of the game is tedious.	\$79.95
PaddleZlam	7	• Small and easily packable. • A lot of scoring opportunities • A sticker is included to help understand the scoring. • Great addition to a pickleball unit • Google Folder with multiple different versions of play.	• Hard at first, it gets fun after you play for a little while. • More difficult for younger students. • Has to be played 2v2.	\$59.99
Puckleboard	8	• Small and easily packable • Very sturdy materials	• No scoring system • Pucks can sometimes roll far on hard	\$59.99

		• Can be played 1v1 or 2v2 • Easy and fun for all ages • You can move the targets apart to change the difficulty • Can be played on any surface	surfaces	Use coupon code "COACHK" for free shipping
QB54	9	• Fun, easy to understand. • Scoring system available • Game turns into 2 chairs • Folds up for storage • Can be played 1v1 or 2v2 • Elementary Lessons, Middle School Lessons, High School Lessons	• More expensive than most backyard games • Bulky when assembled	\$99.99 Use coupon code "QB4PE" and get 20% off
Rallyhoops	9	• Fun and quick paced • Quality construction • Packs up nicely • Several scoring opportunities	• Has to be played 2v2 • No built in scoring system	\$149.99
RampShot	7	• Lots of people are active. • Several different levels of play. • Can be played with 2, 3, or 4 people.	• Hard for younger students to react and catch the ball • Difficult to teach because there are several different positions to explain.	\$59.99
Rollors	9	• Easy and fun for all ages • You can move the targets around to change the difficulty • Can be played with 2-6 people • They sell expansion packs • Sturdy wood parts • PE activities booklet	• Has to be played on grass or sand	\$49.95
Soccergolf Discontinued	8	• Can be played anywhere • Unlimited variations • Can modify for any age group • Durable • Has a free app for scorekeeping/rules	• Tedious to set up and break down if you have limited storage.	\$59.99 \$39.99 School Discounts
Spikeball	6	• Quick paced and very active play • Great for hand/eye coordination	• Need to be pretty athletic to get good at this.	\$59 (Spikeball) \$49 (EDU discount)

(Slammo is a cheaper version, works the same)		Can be played 1v1 or 2v2 Spikeball Progressions	Harder for less coordinated kids.	\$34.14 (Slammo)
Spinnerball	5	- Good for hand/eye coordination - Good for target unit - Can be played 1v1 or 2v2 - Buckets are very sturdy and can be used for other things in class.	- Difficult for some kids to get the hang of - No built in scoring system	\$59.99
Spotkick	8	- Made from good quality materials - Great for soccer players - Can be played 1v1, 2v2, etc. - You can adapt scoring for more success	- Difficult for non soccer players - Expensive to get enough for a class. - No built in scoring system	\$189
Towerball	8	- Easy and fun for all ages - Different variations of play - Can be played with 1-8 people - Very sturdy design - Great target game	- Bulky when assembled. - Expensive to get enough for a class. - No built in scoring system.	\$189.99 Use coupon code "Ryan30" to get \$30 off

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