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A few weeks ago, I sat down with Ms. Jackie Gordon, a teacher at Franklin Middle, and I asked her a few questions to get information on Dragon Ball. A sport she had started when she came to Franklin Middle.



Ms. Gordon explained that Dragon Ball is a homeroom basketball tournament at Franklin Middle School, it is divided by each grade. She said that there are a few things that are required to play, “you need your gym uniform, a signed parent permission slip, and a good attitude.” This is also the 9<sup>th</sup> year of Dragon Ball. To participate you have to be doing well in academic subjects, your behavior around school has to be good and positive, and you also have to be doing well in Physical Education class.

She said that participation is on average over a hundred students per grade level, this year there was about 60 students for 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Dragon ball is organized by homeroom, as a round robin tournament, that way each homeroom gets to play every other homeroom, the top 8 teams make it to playoffs, it is a double elimination tournament, the top 2 standing go to the championship game.

Everyone is invited to attend the championship game. This year Mrs. Watson’s team won the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Dragon Ball tournament. Stay tuned to the announcements of when the 7<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders get to play. I hope most of you would like to join this after school activity.