

Cornhole (also known as dummy boards, bean bag toss, dadhole, doghouse, Baggo or Bags) is an American lawn game in which players stand 27 feet away and take turns throwing bags of corn (or bean bags) at a raised platform with a hole in the far end. A bag in the hole scores 3 points, while one on the platform scores 1 point.

Have a cornhole tournament for a few hours or turn the event into an all-night marathon! Individuals can donate per game, pay a tournament registration fee, or fundraise certain amounts.

Location

Location is everything.

- Find a location that can accommodate your tournament.
- Check availability – be sure that your friends are free to participate.
- Make sure there are restrooms available for guests.
- If applicable, make sure there is plenty of available parking.
- Inquire if any permits or additional paperwork are needed.

Logistics

Important but overlooked.

- Use the curesearchgold.org site to track registrations and donations.
- Secure enough cornhole boards – from friends, buy online, or build your own.
- Decide if you will be running a single elimination, double elimination or round robin tournament.
- Decide if you'll give out prizes or if winners will bask in the glory of raising money for children's cancer.
- Always have more volunteers than you think you'll need and train them beforehand for setup, registration, phone checking, refreshments, entertainment, raffle, cleanup, etc.



Entertainment

Music can make or break a party.

- Find a DJ or live band.
- Reach out to local businesses for refreshment donations.
- Include a raffle with donated items or have a 50/50 raffle.
- Have other games to play, like KanJam or Ladder Ball, for waiting participants.

Publicity

Get the word out.

- Once you have your location, date, and time you can begin publicizing the event.
- Spread the word using social media, bulletin boards, local businesses, TV, radio, etc.
- Hype up details of the event- advertise that there will be a cool DJ, the school mascot or just free food.
- Don't forget to tell people to fundraise - after all, this is an event to end children's cancer.



Week of/Day of

Have fun and make a difference!

Print tournament brackets, and print out more than you think you will need, just in case. Then decide how teams will be formed:

Option 1: The teams have already been set, everyone came to the tournament with their own partner or they chose their partner once they arrived. *(Feel free to allow participants to choose their partner IF they have fundraised a certain amount)*

Option 2: Place every player's name in a hat and draw two names at a time, those two players will be on a team.

Draw for spots on the tournament bracket. You will place each team's name in a hat and begin drawing the teams one at a time, placing the first team drawn on the first blank line, the second team drawn on the second line, and so on.

*Keep in mind, CureSearch cannot pay for any rental fees or other event expenses. Any costs will have to come from the money raised for the event. It is important to keep expenses to a minimum so that as much money as possible goes to funding children's cancer research.

Helpful Links

How to play cornhole - <http://www.cornholehowto.com/how-to-play/>

How to run a cornhole tournament - <https://www.cornholeantics.com/blog/how-to-run-a-cornhole-tournament.html>

Cornhole-specific medals- https://www.trophydepot.com/Cornhole-Ultra-Impact-3-D-Medal/P28684_8626/?gclid=Cj0KEQjwt-G8BRDktsvwpPTn1PkBEiQA-MRsBTcA31gG0s0nbAyZXkXXF4u4MSJYSVr1HPz5q7BZq80aAhjS8P8HAQ#.V5jMXpNriRs

How to build a cornhole board - https://kaboom.org/resources/enhancement_projects/how_to_build_a_bean_bag_toss?gclid=Cj0KEQjwt-G8BRDktsvwpPTn1PkBEiQA-MRsBabR3AkDG0RX4YU0hfCJvzUS9gdMrV5UcGaRqi5nlcUaAhiP8P8HAQ

Printable cornhole brackets - <http://www.printyourbrackets.com/howtocornhole.html>