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Today in my teaching, I participated in the activity, Alaskan Kickball. By acting as the pitcher, I was able to participate in the activity, give good pitches to keep the game moving, control the tempo of the activity, and be close to all the students to give feedback. Also, by participating, I am showing the students my ability to be athletic and show what sport skills I possess. The students have better respect and are more willing to participate when a teacher shows that he/she not only knows the rules of certain games and activities, but can also play the games and activities well. After my lesson was over, instead of racing to the locker rooms, a couple of the students stayed back to talk to me for a minute. By being able to interact with the students and get their respect and trust, I am slowly building up a good reputation with them. I was very pleased with today's lesson because it required that all the students participate in order to be successful. Even though the game contained many rules, I was able to quickly demonstrate and explain the activity, and I think that the students had fun today.