

## **SPIRE Academy PR & Communications**

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## SPIRE Academy: Igniting Ashtabula County's Economic Growth for a Promising Future

SPIRE Academy, guided by parent company Ehrenfeld Companies, has excelled in academic and elite sports, benefiting both its student athletes and the local Ashtabula County, OH community. Its commitment to inclusivity, professional facilities and partnerships has solidified its position as a hub for events and community engagement.

SPIRE Academy has injected \$57.5 million into the local economy, increasing household and business earnings by \$18.5 million and sustaining over 700 jobs. Its impressive facilities, including 800,000 square feet of indoor spaces and a multi-purpose outdoor stadium make it a sought-after venue for sporting events.

The Academy hosts prestigious events like the 2023 USA Wrestling U23 Nationals, U20 World Team Trials and the 2023 USA Track & Field National Youth Outdoor Championships. It will also host more events in 2024. SPIRE Academy is adding two on-campus dormitories and partnering with Ashtabula County Medical Center to improve healthcare access.

"It's a big lift, and we have to keep going and going, but it's moving in the right direction", says Jeff Orloff, President of SPIRE Academy.

In the fourth quarter of 2023, SPIRE will unveil new restaurants, hotel, coffee shop and Sports Performance Lab with cutting-edge technology for research and data analytics. It also collaborated with Adrenaline Monkey to open a Family Fun and Entertainment center, promoting physical fitness and recreation.

SPIRE Academy's dedication to inclusivity, community impact, and innovation ensures its continued excellence in sports training and academic development.



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## **About SPIRE**

SPIRE Academy is a comprehensive academic, athletic, personal skills and career development experience located within a world class event and wellness complex. Constructed on more than 800 acres and 800,000 sq. ft. under roof, SPIRE (<a href="spireacademy.com">spireacademy.com</a>) encompasses four divisions: SPIRE Academy, an accredited college preparatory international boarding school and multi-sport/specialty training and development academy for 9-12 graders and a post grad program; SPIRE Institute, the research and development arm studying performance improvement across multiple disciplines; SPIRE Events, a facility and team that hosts local, national and international tournaments and events with the NCAA, the Big East, Big Ten and Atlantic 10 conferences, Olympic trials and world championship qualifiers; and SPIRE Fit, a community membership-based fitness, swim and health center open to the public. Sports currently featured on campus include swimming, track and field, basketball, esports, drone racing, wrestling, soccer and lacrosse.