

## Social Media Highlight: Spirit Ohio Sports Academy

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What started out as a unique gift from a mother to her daughter has grown into a unique gift for an entire community!

Spirit Ohio Sports Academy (SOSA) is a family friendly facility, a gym, located in Mansfield, Ohio that hosts competitive gymnastics, cheer leading and dance for area kids. Recreational classes include gymnastics, tumbling, cheer, ballet, jazz, hip hop and Kenpo (martial arts) self-defense.

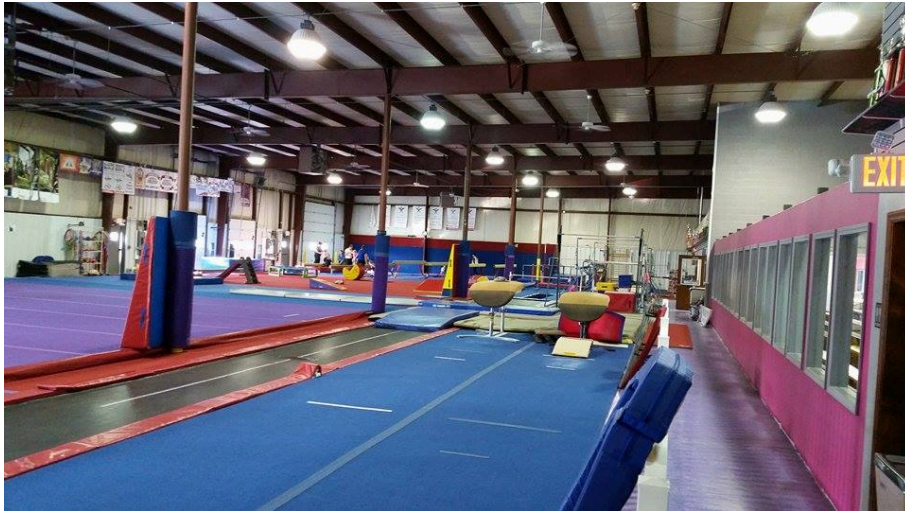


SOSA is also a cheer leading team made up of kids who decide to put the academy on their hang out list.



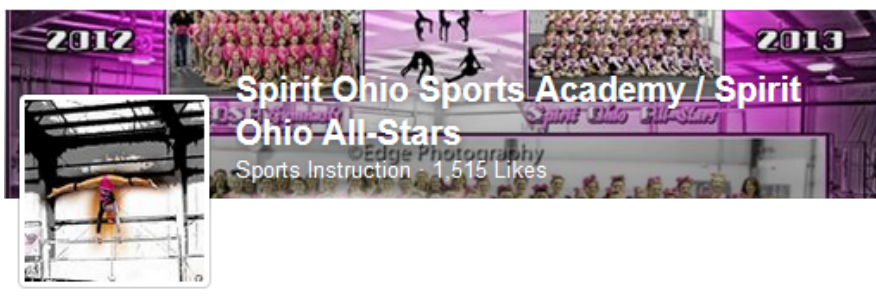
Created out of a love only a mother can have; back in 2002 Rhonda Fuller, founder, was taking her daughter to a cheer leading program that wound up getting discontinued. This was heartbreaking to her daughter who at a young 5 years of age had only one wish: to be a cheerleader with a uniform.

So with the motivation that only a daughter with a broken heart can give, Rhonda, with the support of her husband Steve, rented the gymnasium at the local Discovery School in Mansfield, Ohio for two days a week. She bought some mats, hired some coaches, and invited other parents who's children were also attending that discontinued program to participate in the fun. It was from this "spirit" that Spirit Ohio All Stars was born!



Today SOSA is a full fledged Non Profit Organization that on Monday the 29th of last month received it's 501 3c letter from the IRS. Rhonda says "In our minds our gym helps kids keep physically fit, off the computers and social media, teaches discipline, teamwork and self respect." In today's society we are glad to see that there is still some of that in circulation and happily choose SOSA as our Featured Facebook Page.

Give them a like - lend them your support - and give your kids something to do this winter besides surf the internet and climb the walls!



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