

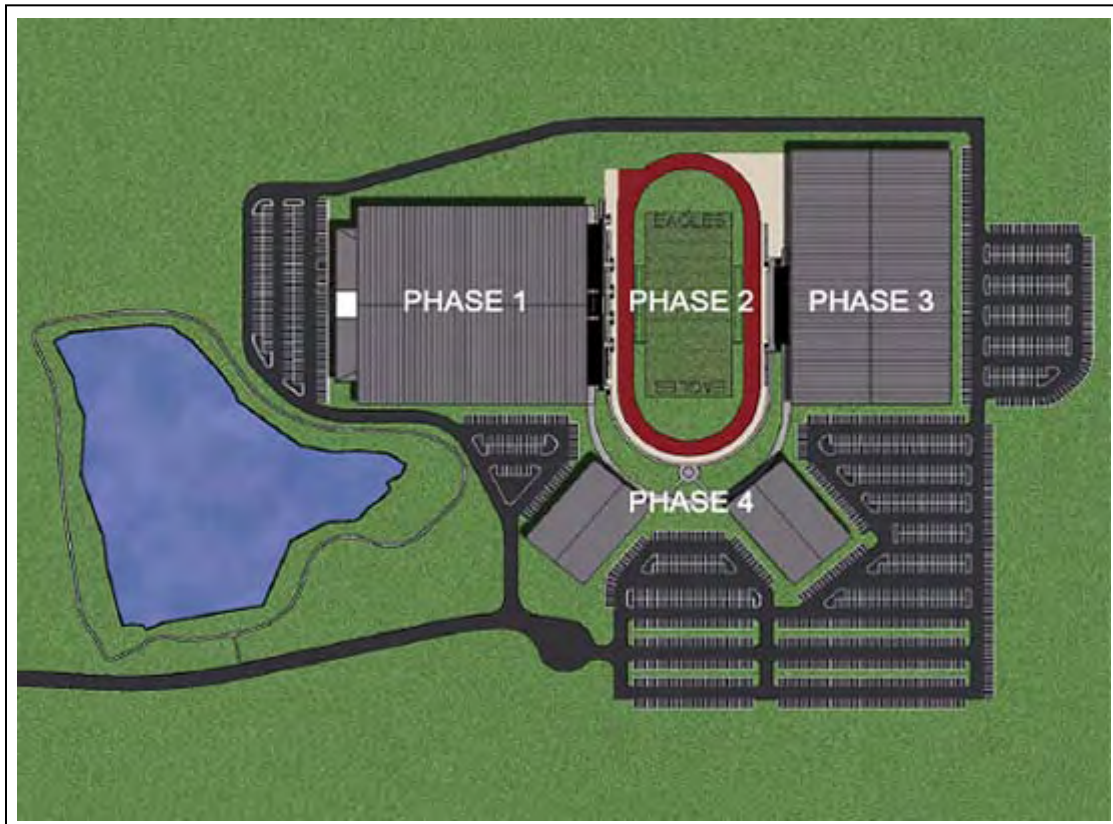


# ***GaREAT Sports Complex***

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## Geneva area Recreational, Educational, Athletic Trust

In May 2008, the Geneva Area Recreational, Educational, Athletic Trust was announced. This non-profit corporation was created to focus both energy and funding towards creating a world-class multipurpose facility. The GaREAT Sports Complex is now more than a vision; it is a work in progress. Construction work is in progress on the facilities that will span more than 450,000 square feet over multiple facilities that are center stage over the 175-acre campus. The GaREAT Sports Complex is located in Harpersfield Township, Ohio along the intersection of Interstate I-90 and State Rt. 534.

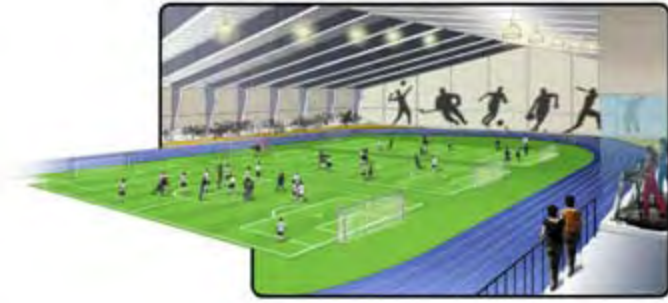


*40 acres shown above of the total 175-acre complex*

## Mission Statement

GaREAT is a multisport and activity complex that is designed to be used by the northeastern Ohio region. It is established to enrich user's lives not only through healthy competition but also with the foundation of educational importance. GaREAT respects and honors the principles that built our nation and displays loyalty to those that currently serve and have served in the past to preserve these principles. It is our mission to provide an environment that cultivates traits of true character through examples of strong virtue. GaREAT is determined to provide an environment of healthy challenges to foster mental and physical growth.

## Phase 3 - Track Building



The Indoor Track Building will be a 240,000 square-foot structure that will contain the nation's first and only eight-lane, 300-meter, synthetic track and space for field events.

- 240,000 square feet
- Climate controlled
- Operational - January 2010
- Spectator seating

### Field Turf

The 70,670 square-foot synthetic turf space can be used for field sports such as football, soccer, lacrosse, baseball and softball. It will also contain multiple batting and pitching tunnels.

### Track & Field

The indoor track will be supported by an Olympic standard timing and scoring system. The eight lanes and two 10-lane 110-meter straight-aways will allow for more efficient indoor meets with fewer preliminary heats. This will result in larger meets that will attract more prominent competition. Lane eight of the indoor track is a full 400-meter allowing for unique training opportunities for long hurdles, relays and mid-distance.

- Two high jump, two long jump, and two pole vault pits
- Two shot put circles and two portable weight throw cages
- 150 international hurdles



*Track Building construction – taken September 3, 2009*

## Phase 1 - Fields and Courts Building

The Fields and Courts Building is a 215,000 square-foot structure that contains a multipurpose court surface and synthetic turf field.

- 215,000 square feet
- Climate controlled
- Operational - March 2009
- Spectator seating

### Turf Field

The synthetic turf field can accommodate sports such as soccer, football, lacrosse, baseball and softball. The full sized field measures 110 x 55 yards. The field can also be divided into two smaller fields measuring 57 x 45 yards. This space can also accommodate up to 9 tennis courts.



### Court Surface

The multipurpose court surface can accommodate up to 12 volleyball courts, 6 basketball courts or 9 tennis courts. In addition to volleyball, basketball and tennis, this surface can accommodate futsal, wrestling, badminton and many other sports.

### Time Out Café



Time Out Café brings you more than your typical concession stand. While featuring all your favorites including warm soft pretzels, plump hot dogs buttery popcorn, we also offer fresh fruit, pasta salad delicious wraps. Wash down your lunch with a cold 7-UP or a real fruit smoothie. Here at the crack of dawn?...no worries, we offer a fantastic 100% Columbian bean coffee, French vanilla cappuccino as well as muffins, donuts & other morning favorites. All the items you come to expect from a concession stand and a whole lot more. Time Out Café will also host meetings, gatherings, outings, birthday parties, and much more.



## Phase 2 - Stadium

The stadium will feature a 79,000 square-foot synthetic multisport field. It will also contain an 8-lane, 400-meter, synthetic track, and space for field events. The synthetic turf is the safer alternative to natural grass, and allows for use in all weather conditions.

- Multi-sport surface
- Spectator seating capacity of 5,500
- Operational - October 2009

The stadium will be strategically located between the Fields and Courts Building and the Indoor Track Building to provide enclosed and climate controlled seating on both the east and west stands. The stadium will feature a total of 5,500 seats, including 1,200 captain's chairs and loge boxes. The west side of the stadium will house the press box which will be constructed as a dual use space for both the Stadium and the Fields and Courts Building. The public stadium will accommodate a variety of local, state, regional and national events.



*Stadium construction – taken September 3, 2009*

### **Turf Surface**

The synthetic turf surface is pre-lined for the following sports.

- Football
- Soccer
- Men's Lacrosse
- Women's Lacrosse

### **Track & Field**

The outdoor 400-meter track has nine lanes with two ten-lane straight-aways. The Beynon synthetic track surface is the same surface used at the 2008 U.S. Olympic Trials. The stadium will be strategically located between the Field and Courts Building and Indoor Track Building, providing enclosed and climate controlled seating on both the east and west stands. There are two of each field event venues, allowing for more efficient competitions, and for men's and women's events to be run at the same time.

- Two high jump, two long jump, and two pole vault pits
- Two shot put circles, two discus/hammer cages, and two javelin throw areas
- 150 international hurdles

## Phase 4 -Pool Building

- Olympic Sized Competition Pool
- Recreation and Rehab Pool
- Medical and Professional Facility
- Completion Date TBA

Phase 4 has plans to expand into two more buildings that will connect the entire complex with an indoor walkway. The first building is currently slated to contain an Olympic sized competition pool as well as a rehabilitation and recreation pool. The other building is planned as an office building for area Medical professionals currently wanting to locate practices in the GaREAT Complex.



## Sports

GaREAT is designed to host a variety of sports events and programs. From the weekend warrior to the professional athlete, the GaREAT Sports Complex will be a place for all athletes to play and train.



Our sports include:

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Football
- Lacrosse
- Senior Programs
- Soccer
- Softball
- Swimming & Diving
- Tennis
- Tots Programs
- Track & Field
- Volleyball
- And more...