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MARCH NEWSLETTER

Spectrum Empowerments's Monthly Newsletter



Our STEAM Event 🛞

New developments await as we prepare to elevate the STEAM event experience with the introduction of Lego Spike Prime sets! Building on the overwhelming popularity of these kits last month, we're delighted to announce our investment in several new iPads and kits, offering a truly exciting experience for every participant.

Our Sports Event 🏈

Within our sports programs, we cultivate a nurturing environment for growth, interaction, and achievement. These initiatives are profoundly enriching our community in myriad ways. In line with our dedication to inclusivity and customized development, we're provide beach balls for younger participants. This addition not only improves their ball control and observation skills but also injects an element of enjoyment into their sports experience. We also provide snack breaks for kids!

FLL Team Meetings 🎨

Every weekend we host a team meeting for our Fll team which is a group of students who work together to build ideas that they come up with. All of this will be judged in Competitions where the teams will be provided feedback to make their design better. If this interests you, stay tuned until next season!

THIS MONTH'S EVENTS

STEAM EVENT
MARCH 8, 6 PM-7:30 PM
MASON MUNICIPAL BUILDING
6000 MASON MONTGOMERY RD
MASON, OHIO 45040
SIGN UP:



SPORTS EVENT

MARCH 22, 6:15 PM-7:45 PM

FIVE SEASONS SPORTS CLUE

11790 SNIDER RD

CINCINNATI OH 45249



FLL WEEKLY TEAM MEETINGS
SUNDAYS, 1 PM-3 PM
MIDPOINTE LIBRARY
9363 CENTRE POINTE DR
WEST CHESTER TOWNSHIP OH 45069
MORE INFO:



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Announcements A

Help send our Super Spikes team of five kids and a parent to Houston for the World Festival! Donate at spectrumempowerment.org/donate or via Zelle at spectrumempowerment@gmail.com or via Venmo (@MasonSpectrumEmpowerment). All donations are tax deductible (Tax ID: 92-3682569).

Know corporate sponsors? Check out this flyer: <u>FLL Super Spikes Sponsorship</u>. Thanks for your support!

We are planning a Biryani Night Fundraiser taking place on March 15!

More info here: Biryani Night Flyer

Upcoming Tournament Schedule

3/9/24 Dayton FLL Explore Festival (STATES) 4/18 - 4/20 FLL World Festival Houston

Exciting News

Spectrum Empowerment is thrilled to announce that its Super Spikes team has been selected to participate in the FIRST LEGO League Explore World Festival, held in Houston, TX from April 18-20, as part of the FIRST® Championship!



Out of all the incredible FLL Explore teams in Ohio, only one gets the chance to shine on the global stage, and it's our Super Spikes team this time! This marks a historic moment as it is the first time that a team of kids on the autism spectrum or with any developmental disabilities will represent Ohio at such a significant event.

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Spotlight Story

By: Sanjana Ganga, Ohio Leadership Team

Ever since this organization has started, almost every kid has enjoyed these events. It brings me joy to see the laughter and excitement behind their eyes and it brightens my day when they are also having fun. We always try to provide several different activities for them so they can understand and feel the different variety of things.

Of course, the first time I see a different individual, they are nervous, scared of the the people around them. But, as the night goes on, they get more and more comfortable with our environment and that is truly heart-warming to me as a leader. They begin making new friends, making connections, and building new relationships with the volunteers their and other kids too.





I know that the main purpose of Spectrum Empowerment is not only to just teach robotics, and art, and science, but it is to really make the participants feel included, safe, and welcomed. It is for them to be able to grow as a person without getting judged and I see this happen at every event. It is vital for children to value this and experience a safe and comforting atmosphere.

The work of Spectrum Empowerment goes beyond strengthening their abilities in these different stations, but its true message and mission is to show every one that they can reach their full potential in our nature. I've had the privilege to work with Spectrum Empowerment ever since the beginning and it has definitely been quite an adventure.

Thanking our Sponsors

We deeply appreciate our sponsors **Ravi's Hyderabad House** and **Kaizen Family Dental** for their unwavering support of Spectrum Empowerment's mission.

Your generous sponsorship not only strengthens our organization but also amplifies the positive impact we aim to achieve in promoting autism acceptance and empowerment.



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Volunteer of the Month



Let's unite to celebrate and recognize Advay **Chandra**, our remarkable Volunteer of the Month! We commend him for his exceptional communication skills and invaluable contributions during his time at the Robotics Station. Advay, your dedication, focus, and commitment have left a profound impact on our community. We extend our heartfelt gratitude for your outstanding efforts!



Social Media

Curious to learn more about our organization? Visit our website to delve into the heart of what we do and discover the impact we're making in our community. For real-time updates and engaging content, be sure to follow us on social media. We share all the latest news, events, and stories there.

* * Attention To All Highschoolers * *

Are you eager to take the lead in establishing a Spectrum Empowerment chapter in your state, or are you a dedicated volunteer ready to make a meaningful impact in the lives of children on the spectrum and with any developmental disabilities? Your dedication can truly make a difference. Please don't hesitate to contact us using the information provided below. We are excited to connect with individuals who share our vision and passion for positively influencing these kids' lives! If you need more volunteering hours and/or opportunities, check out our website.

We hope you found this edition of our newsletter both informative and engaging. Your opinions and insights are invaluable to us, and we welcome any feedback or suggestions you may have. Please don't hesitate to reach out to us at spectrumempowerment@gmail.com. Your thoughts help us enhance our content and better cater to the interests of our community.

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