

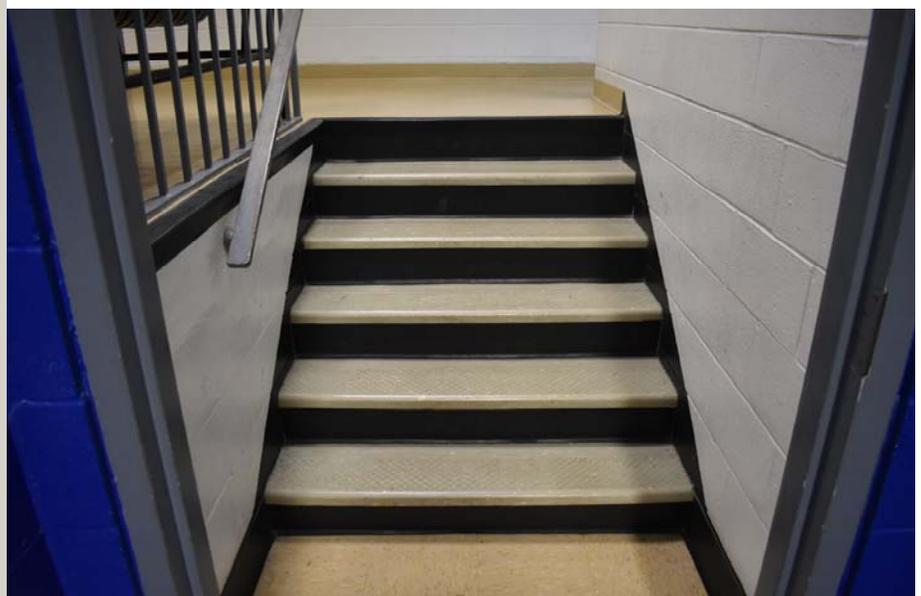
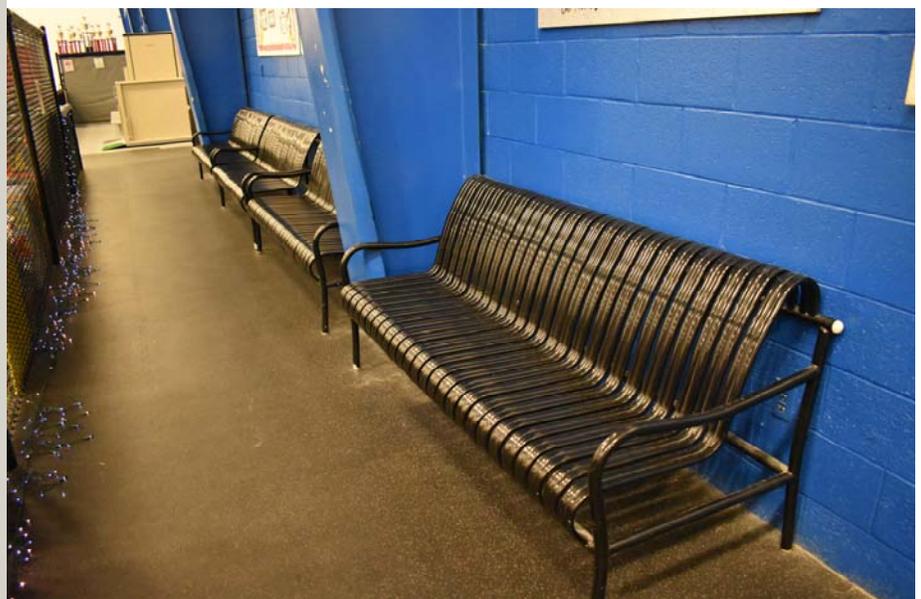
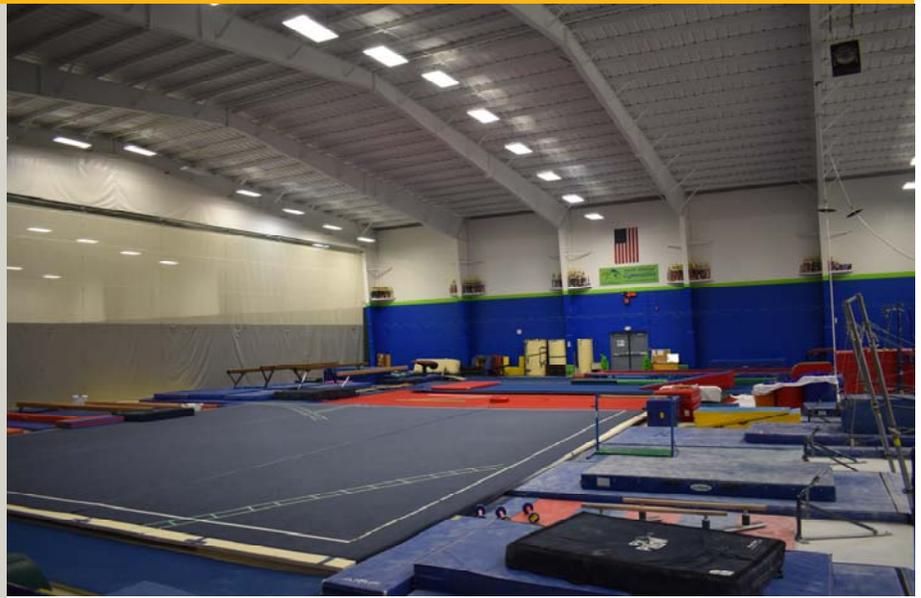
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Current Snapshot: Facilities

The current gymnastics facility was redesigned in 2015 when the program was moved from the second floor of the Recreation Center to the two tennis courts it now occupies.

- The current space is a significant improvement. The move allowed for gymnasts to use an area with higher ceilings, whereas previously the ceilings were too low to accommodate all aspects of the sport. The court space allowed for a new tot area and a better vault runway. New floor spaces were added as well.
- When gymnastics was relocated to a portion of the tennis courts in 2015, the walls were painted and minor accessibility improvements were made, including the installation of an accessible lift. New lighting was also installed in 2015.
- The roof over the gymnastics area was replaced in 2017, but leaks occurring before the replacement have caused staining that need to be addressed through repainting.
- The gymnastics equipment is maintained and owned by Karrie Tipton/North Olmsted Gymnastics Inc. Most equipment is in new or good condition. The large carpet on the main floor is older and could be replaced.
- One significant challenge is that the bleacher area is small and cramped. The elevator is in the middle of the space and the spectator area is also a hallway to access the tennis area. The area also lacks storage and staff space.



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Current Snapshot: Programming

Gymnastics includes year round programs for individual recreation and competitive team gymnastics.

- The city has a **service provider agreement** with Karrie Tipton dba North Olmsted Gymnastics, Inc. She hires, trains and pays all staff in the program and operates all programming. North Olmsted Gymnastics owns all of the equipment. Parks and Recreation manages registration for recreation programs and takes monthly team payments.
- **Recreation classes** (similar to learn to skate or learn to swim) are offered in the same six-week sessions as the other building programs. Recreation classes had over 1,100 participants in 2018. These classes are offered for children through age 12. Specific segments offered are preschool, classes for ages 6 and up and tumbling.
- Gymnastics offers a **unique birthday party option** with a dedicated instructor who organizes games, sets up obstacles and supervises the use of gym equipment. In 2018 gymnastics hosted 23 of these parties.
- **Team gymnastics** is a competitive track for gymnastics to follow. Participants pay a higher rate, spend more time and must be truly dedicated to follow this path. There were 141 team participants in 2018.



Future Vision: Repurposed Space

The future vision involves shifting the new gymnastics space to the west, and enclosing it so it can be locked when gymnastics staff is not present. The spectator space will be raised and enlarged for more room and better viewing. Also a designated space will ensure spectators have a well defined viewing area and cannot easily access the floor. Staff will have their own office and enclosed storage area for program equipment, supplies and personal items.

Master Plan Action Item

- ◆ Reimagine the Existing Recreation Center

Project Objectives

- ◆ Increase the size of and enhance the amenities in the spectator seating area.
- ◆ Provide the ability to close and secure the gymnastics space when staff is not present.
- ◆ Create dedicated staff and storage areas.

Expected Outcomes

- ◆ **Better viewing.** Parents spend a lot of time and money for their children to participate in gymnastics. It is important to have a comfortable accessible space for them to view their children participating in the program.
- ◆ **Additional events.** With improved spectator space and a dedicated area that does not share with another program, more meets and events can take place.
- ◆ **Continued growth.** The gymnastics is continually adding participants. Improved spaces will help continue to attract future patrons.

Capital Investment

- ◆ Estimated \$1,140,000
- ◆ Includes relocated and expanded gymnastics floor with new HVAC along with a new spectator seating area, staff support space and storage

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Financial Picture

Revenue and Expense

Revenues and expenses directly attributable to gymnastics are included in the chart. Shared expenses across cost centers, including salaries and benefits, materials and supplies and outside services for administration and building maintenance are not included here.

Contract Changes

In August 2018 the gymnastics contract changed, so that the city now charges a flat monthly fee to the service provider regardless of the amount of revenue. In the past there was a 75/25 split of revenues between the service provider and the city. This results in more consistent and predictable revenue. The service provider also assumed responsibility for cleaning equipment, formerly done by city staff.

Enrollment

While the program has increased prices over time, enrollment continues to increase, as well. There was a big jump in participation after the 2012 Olympics. In 2015, there was another increase when gymnastics moved to the tennis courts into a bright new and larger area. In 2018, enrollment has tapered off and started to decrease, potentially in response to some staffing changes where one coach took some students to a different gym.

Schools

North Olmsted High School has a varsity gymnastics team in the 2018-2019 school year for the first time in many years. It is not clear whether interest will remain to support a team in the future.

Gymnastics Revenue and Expense

