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**SPORTS FORCE PARKS AT CEDAR POINT SPORTS CENTER  
BREAKS GROUND APRIL 8**

**SANDUSKY, Ohio** (April 5, 2016) – Cedar Point today announced more information on the activation of the Cedar Point Sports Center project on Cleveland Road in Sandusky.

Phase one of the development project is Sports Force Parks at Cedar Point Sports Center, a high end youth sports tournament park. The premier youth sports tournament facility consists of nine multi-purpose, synthetic turf fields, four NCAA regulation baseball fields, a championship baseball and softball stadium, eight NCAA regulation soccer and lacrosse fields, sport-specific training areas, and an ADA-accessible community use field.

The park also includes a “great lawn” and promenade with additional activities for the entire family, including miniature golf, a ropes adventure course, a bungee trampoline challenge, playground activities, unique food & beverage options and more.

Sports Force Parks at Cedar Point Sports Center will be managed by Sports Force Parks.

“Sports Force Parks at Cedar Point Sports Center is a true public-private partnership between Cedar Point, The Sports Force, Lake Erie Shores & Islands, the City of Sandusky, Erie County and Erie Metroparks,” said Jason McClure, vice president and general manager of Cedar Point. “We’re all committed to enhancing community resources, and the benefits to our area will be long-lasting and substantial for years to come.”

Jim Arnold, director of business development for The Sports Force & Fields, Inc., added, “Sports Force Parks at Cedar Point Sports Center will be a world-class destination for sports-focused families. Our mission to combine sports, family and fun will bring young athletes and their families from across the country and provide them with the opportunity to combine a sports tournament with a family vacation.”

“Lake Erie Shores & Islands is extremely excited for the development of the Cedar Point Sports Center,” added Larry Fletcher, executive director of Lake Erie Shores & Islands. “We thrive on attracting families to our area. It’s great for the Firelands region, and even better for Ohio’s all-important tourism industry.”



Phase two of the Cedar Point Sports Center will see the introduction of a new Erie Metroparks experience, with development of the land at the waterfront with biking trails, scenic spaces to relax and unparalleled views of Lake Erie and Cedar Point in the distance.

Cedar Point Sports Center is a team effort between Cedar Point, The Sports Force, Lake Erie Shores & Islands, the City of Sandusky, Erie County and the Erie Metroparks. Additional support is provided by Lake Erie Shores & Islands immediate past-president, Greg Hill and attorney Majeed Makhoulf of Berns Ockner in Cleveland.

Construction on Sports Force Parks at Cedar Point Sports Center will begin at a groundbreaking ceremony on April 8 and continue throughout the summer months. Completion is scheduled for the fall. The spring and summer of 2017 will be the inaugural season.

For more information about Sports Force Parks at Cedar Point Sports Center, including artist renderings of the facility and opportunities for tournaments and events, please visit [sportsforceparks.com](http://sportsforceparks.com) or email [info@sportsforceparks.com](mailto:info@sportsforceparks.com).