

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## FOR MORE INFORMATION

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## Experience the Thrilling Forces of Nature during Extreme Weather Week at Imagination Station

TOLEDO, Ohio – Weather is one of the most dynamic and complex forces that shapes our planet and affects our daily lives. Visitors to Imagination Station November 19 - 24 will get a close-up look at some of the most astonishing and intense natural phenomena in a week dedicated to Extreme Weather.

### Extreme Weather Activities

Weather watchers and future meteorologists will get hands-on with a number of wild weather activities. Visitors can:

- discover how temperature change affects the formation of clouds and watch a foggy mist appear right before their eyes
- get a charge out of seeing how lightning forms during a thunderstorm
- whip up a storm as they create a tornado in a bottle
- learn how meteorologists measure wind speed with an anemometer
- experiment with lasers and thermochromic paper to discover the invisible world of infrared heat
- watch as snow forms instantly in their hands using a special polymer - even at room temperature

### Winter Weather with the Ohio Department of Transportation

On Saturday, November 23 visitors will learn how the experts prepare for winter weather with the Ohio Department of Transportation. Visitors can get up close to a snow plow, program an electronic sign with a custom message, try on safety gear, discover how salt melts snow and ice and take part in other hands-on activities.

### Water Works Learning World

Visitors can also discover how the water cycle influences our weather, experience the power of a major storm and investigate how vortexes are formed in Water Works, one of the science center's most popular learning worlds.

- Hurricane Chamber: Visitors will realize just how much force a hurricane packs and in the Hurricane Chamber, where they can experience a Category 1 storm.
- Vortex Pool: Using a few simple tools, the Vortex Pool gives visitors the ability to make their own whirlpool and adjust the velocity to change its intensity.
- Water Tables: Visitors can explore the incredible power of water and how humans attempt to harness it as they build dams, pipelines, waterways and pools.

### Special Offer for Teachers

When educators bring their students for a field trip to the science center during a signature science week, they will be entered to win a Workshop on Wheels. One lucky class who visits during Extreme Science Week will receive an extra day of science with a hands-on workshop delivered right to their classroom, courtesy of Imagination Station. Teachers may schedule a field trip by calling a Reservation Specialist at 419.244.2674 ext. 250.

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All Lucas County residents receive a \$2 discount and FREE Saturday admission for kids, 12 and under with paid adult admission, limit two children per adult.

Imagination Station provides a critical layer of science enrichment by serving as an educational partner for teachers, schools and parents. It's with a thoughtful blend of exhibits, experiences, education and excitement that Imagination Station inspires visitors to pursue STEM careers in Northwest Ohio.

For more information, please call 419.244.2674 or visit [imaginationstationtoledo.org](http://imaginationstationtoledo.org).

**WHAT:** Extreme Weather Week

**WHERE:** Imagination Station  
1 Discovery Way, Toledo, OH

**WHEN:** November 19 – 24, 2019  
Regular Hours:  
Monday – Saturday 10am – 5pm  
Sunday Noon – 5pm

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