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Imagine It. Build It. Test It. Do it Again! during National Engineering Week at Imagination Station

TOLEDO, Ohio – Creativity and construction combine to inspire and encourage the young and the young at heart to explore potential careers and opportunities in engineering. Imagination Station will celebrate National Engineering Week February 4 – 7.

"Today's daydreams and napkin sketches are tomorrow's innovations and inventions," said Sloan Eberly Mann, education director at Imagination Station. "Creativity and imagination are just as critical to a career in engineering as math and science, and this week is dedicated to encouraging visitors to put their ideas to the test."

Visitors will explore the world of structural engineering and put the engineering design process into practice as they draft, build, test and tweak a roller coaster. Engineers of all ages will discover how the effects of gravity and potential and kinetic energy affects their design.

The Engineering Week roller coaster activity is included in Imagination Station admission.

More Engineering Week activities at Imagination Station:

Tinkering Space: Architecture in Your Neighborhood Daily in February

Tinkerers will become an engineers and architects as they design the structures they wish to see in their neighborhoods. They will envision the future of our community as they construct model bridges, skyscrapers, museums, playgrounds and more using common household materials. *Activity included with admission.*

Science Story Time: Engineering Tuesday – Saturday, 11:15am

Young children and their caregivers will enjoy an exciting interactive story followed by a hands-on activity designed to support science learning. Little learners will put their collaboration and problem solving skills to the test as they work together to complete an engineering challenge. *Activity included with admission.*

Girl Power! – presented by BP

Saturday, February 8, 8:30am – 5pm

Girls in grades 3 – 8 are invited to spend an inspirational day at the science center. They will hear from keynote speaker, The University of Toledo's Dr. Sandrine Mubenga PhD, PE, Electrical Engineer, participate in engaging workshops, meet a wide variety of STEM professionals and experience dozens of hands-on activities. *Registration is \$20 for member participants and \$10 for member chaperones; \$25 for non-member participants and \$15 for non-member chaperones.*

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 www.imaginationstationtoledo.org.

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