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Can your team engineer a victory? The annual Design & Build competition is back at Great Lakes Science Center

CLEVELAND (February 1, 2017) – Get ready for head to head competition in the sixth annual Design & Build challenge fundraiser, Saturday, February 25 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Great Lakes Science Center!

Teams of two to six individuals are given a design challenge, and all the materials needed to solve the challenge, on the day of the competition. They must then race against the clock, and the other teams, to see who can design, build and then test the most successful solution to the challenge. Teams compete in one of two categories: Youth (middle through high school students), or Corporate (adult teams or college students).

“I look forward to Design & Build every year,” said President & CEO Dr. Kirsten Ellenbogen. “This is such a fun, creative event. I am always impressed by our youth teams; they are the STEM leaders of tomorrow who one day may be working for the companies that compete in the event. At last year’s competition Lubrizol Corporation pulled ahead with an innovative solution and came out on top. But each year is a new challenge and another chance to have a great time and raise funds for the Science Center’s many education programs.”

Sponsorship levels begin at \$5,000 which provide access for one corporate team and include the ability to sponsor either a second corporate team or one youth team, and presenting sponsor recognition opportunities. Sponsors at the \$1,500 level receive access for one corporate, adult or college team and recognition opportunities, and sponsors at the \$1,000 level receive access for one youth team and on-site recognition opportunities.

The Design & Build fundraiser is a great opportunity for a corporate team-building exercise, a group outing for a college science club or class, or for families who love a unique challenge!

For more information on how to sponsor a team, visit **GreatScience.com**.

Design & Build 2017 is presented by Automation Tool & Die, Rockwell Automation and The Sherwin-Williams Company.

(Editor’s note: Fall/winter hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. The Science Center is closed on Mondays through April.)

About Great Lakes Science Center

Great Lakes Science Center, home of the NASA Glenn Visitor Center, makes science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) come alive for more than 300,000 visitors a year

through hundreds of hands-on exhibits, traveling exhibitions, the Cleveland Clinic DOME Theater, Steamship *William G. Mather*, daily science demonstrations, seasonal camps, family workshops and more. The Science Center is funded in part by the citizens of Cuyahoga County through Cuyahoga Arts and Culture. Visit **GreatScience.com** for more information.

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