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## **Design & Build the path to victory at annual Great Lakes Science Center competition**

**CLEVELAND** (February 15, 2018) – Great Lakes Science Center’s hands-on, head-to-head engineering competition fundraiser Design & Build returns for its seventh annual iteration Saturday, March 3 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

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).

“Design & Build is definitely one of my favorite events,” said Science Center President & CEO Dr. Kirsten Ellenbogen. “There’s so much fun and creative energy in the building on the morning of the event. It’s especially inspiring to watch the youth teams gear up and tackle the challenge. Last year we had a great competition with Nottingham Spirk coming out on top in the corporate division and Gesu Catholic School winning the youth division. But each year it’s a brand new challenge, and anyone’s chance to win!”

Science Center guests on the day of the event are invited to check out the competition and help cheer the teams on to victory!

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 2018 is presented by The Sherwin-Williams Company.*

*(Editor’s note: The Science Center’s normal fall/winter operating schedule is Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays, but will be open Monday, February 19 (Presidents Day) from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. for Curiosity Carnival.)*

### **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, temporary exhibitions, the Cleveland Clinic DOME Theater, Steamship *William G. Mather*, daily science demonstrations, seasonal camps, 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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