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Parkview Elementary Students Receive Hands-on Engineering Experience

Rosemount, Minn. – On Tuesday, January 20, hundreds of students from Parkview Elementary School in Rosemount and their families participated in a Family Engineering Night, an event presented by The Works Museum and sponsored by Flint Hills Resources. The event featured a variety of fun Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) activities for families to do together.

STEM educators from The Works Museum brought their programming and expertise inside the halls of Parkview Elementary School, where families participated in kid-friendly engineering activities. Students mastered the art – and engineering – of building bridges out of candy, constructing mini catapults, and wiring circuits.

“Providing children and their families with a memorable hands-on learning experience is really gratifying,” said Jill Measells, CEO of The Works Museum. “It’s a unique opportunity to keep our young learners engaged outside the classroom. These special moments couldn’t happen without the support of our generous sponsors. We’re proud to partner with them to help inspire the next generation of innovators, engineers and creative problem solvers.”

“Students have limited in-class opportunities when it comes to learning about the engineering design process and how engineers use math and science to solve problems,” said Scott Lindemann, vice president and manufacturing manager at Flint Hills Resources. Lindemann started his career as a chemical engineer after receiving his degree from the College of Science and Engineering at the University of Minnesota.

“Flint Hills Resources employs hundreds of Minnesota engineers and skilled workers and believes in supporting quality hands-on experiences for youth in our community,” added Lindemann.

About Flint Hills Resources

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About The Works Museum

With a mission to inspire the next generation of innovators, engineers, and creative problem solvers, The Works Museum provides essential science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education to elementary school students across Minnesota. Our unique learning experiences inspire children to explore engineering and pursue STEM subjects throughout their educational careers. We give children opportunities to design, create, build, and innovate. For regular hours and admission, membership and camp information, visit www.theworks.org.

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