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Students explore STEM with engineers **Hands-on science class inspires future engineers during National Engineers Week**

Middletown, PA – Phoenix Contact engineers head back into the classroom this week to teach sixth-grade science class at Middletown Area Middle School in Middletown, Pa. The classes are part of Phoenix Contact's National Engineers Week (February 16 – 22) celebration.

Phoenix Contact has worked with the school every February since 2007. The engineers lead hands-on lessons that make science fun. The goal is to inspire young people to consider careers in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM).

The lessons include:

- Building catapults
- Racing cookie tins down ramps
- Building an electric motor
- Learning about static electricity with the Van de Graaff generator

“Our engineering team created this outreach program many years ago, and the partnership with Middletown Area School District has stood the test of time,” said Patty Marrero, interim vice president of human relations at Phoenix Contact. “National Engineers Week is a special time for them to share their passion for technology with students. It’s also our chance to thank our engineers for the creativity and innovations that drive our company forward.”

About Phoenix Contact

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