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**BridgeValley Community and Technical College hosted the Bridge Designer Challenge at BridgeValley on May 14<sup>th</sup> at the Advanced Technology Center in South Charleston**

**South Charleston W.Va.** – BridgeValley Community and Technical College hosted teams of amateur engineers to compete on the big screen for family and friends. Students from across the region competed for prizes and bragging rights. Each team tested the limits of their spans [while video of the contest on the](#) sophisticated software on the large screen *Hiperwall®* in the Advanced Technology Center located on BridgeValley’s South Charleston campus.

The winners from the event were as follows:

- Overall Top Team: Justin Dargo and Hunter Hall from Raleigh County
- Top High School Team: Michael Griggs and Thomas Tincher II from Boone County
- Top Middle School Team: Callia Yang and Lynne McGrath from Kanawha County

“The purpose of the contest is to provide middle school and high school students with a realistic, engaging introduction to engineering, bridges and transportation design concepts through a hands-on problem-solving experience,” said Melissa Thompson, BridgeValley Outreach Coordinator.

This year’s competition was part of the Remake Learning Days, a weeklong celebration of activities and events showcasing everything that makes the Pittsburgh region a recognized national leader in innovative teaching and learning. These hands-on events promoted relevant and engaging educational experiences for kids and their families, caregivers and educators in greater Pittsburgh, West Virginia, and beyond.

The Remake Learning Days were made possible by the Grable, Pittsburgh, Claude Worthington Benedum, and Buhl Foundations, Chevron, the Carnegie Corporation of New York, Pirates Charities, the Pittsburgh Penguins Foundation, Google Pittsburgh, UPMC Enterprises, and UPMC Health Plan.

*Remake Learning is a professional network of educators and innovators working together to shape the future of teaching and learning in the Greater Pittsburgh Region. Representing more than 250 organizations, including early learning centers & schools, museums & libraries, afterschool programs & community nonprofits, colleges & universities, edtech startups & major employers, philanthropies & civic leaders, Remake Learning is collaborative effort to inspire and empower a generation of lifelong learners in Pittsburgh, West Virginia, and beyond. Learn more and get involved at [www.remakelarning.org](http://www.remakelarning.org)*

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