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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Voting Set for April 12-14 for Bedford County's What's So Cool About Manufacturing[®] Video Contest

BEDFORD, PA - The What's So Cool About Manufacturing[®] video contest in Bedford County

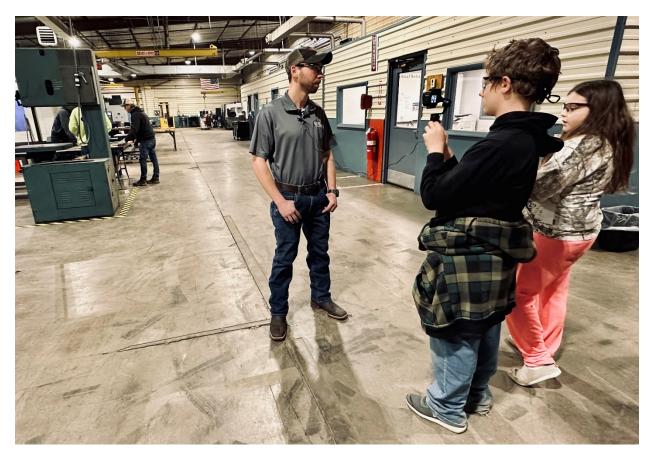
culminates this week when the Viewers Choice Award voting opens Wednesday, April 12. Anyone can participate by watching and choosing their favorite video at <u>BedfordCountyCool.com</u> before voting closes at midnight April 14. Viewers can vote more than once by refreshing the page.

Students in the After 3 program at six Bedford County middle schools created and entered video projects showcasing six local manufacturers. The What's So Cool About Manufacturing[®] video contest is helping students learn more about manufacturing careers in their home county and gain skills like teamwork, storytelling, video production and project management.

The Bedford County contest was developed through a partnership between <u>Bedford County</u> <u>Development Association</u>, <u>Bedford County Technical Center (BCTC)</u>, and the <u>Bedford County 21st</u> <u>Century Community Learning Center Consortium</u>.

Bedford County's participating teams are:

Bedford Area Middle School	Rockland Manufacturing
Chestnut Ridge High School	Bedford Reinforced Plastics
Everett Area Middle School	Lampire Biological Laboratories
Hope for Hyndman Charter School	Mission Critical Solutions
Northern Bedford County Middle School	Bedford Candies
Tussey Mountain Middle School	The Organic Snack Company



Students from Hope for Hyndman Charter School film for their video entry at Mission Critical Solutions.

About Bedford County Technical Center

The mission of the Bedford County Technical Center (Bedford CTC) is to enrich the quality of life in our community through specialized learning opportunities. Bedford CTC offers a variety of vocational programs that provide students with the knowledge and skills to be college and career ready. Students have the opportunity to obtain a variety of industry certifications and college credits upon completion of their program of study.

About Bedford County Development Association

Bedford County Development Association's (BCDA) mission is to improve the quality of life in Bedford County through economic development while preserving our heritage and natural resources. BCDA promotes and encourages industry and commercial development of trade in the county; aids, assists, encourages, and promotes the location of industrial and commercial employers in the county; promotes and encourages the growth of industry and existing employers located in the county; coordinates and organizes the efforts of other organizations in aiding and assisting in carrying out the purpose of this corporation.

About the Bedford County 21st Century Community Learning Consortium

The Bedford County 21st Century Community Learning Consortium supports the creation of opportunities for academic enrichment during non-school hours for children, particularly students who attend high-poverty and low-performing schools. The program helps students meet state and local standards in core academic subjects, such as reading and mathematics; offers students enrichment activities that complement regular academic programs; and offers literacy and other educational services to the families of participating children.

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