News Release: PGCPS Destination Imagination Students Advance to Finals Competition in Tennessee

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UPPER MARLBORO, MD – Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) students from Bond Mill and Mattaponi elementary schools, Kenmoor and Samuel Ogle middle schools, and Bowie and Eleanor Roosevelt high schools have advanced to the Destination ImagiNation Global Finals. The competition kicks off at the University of Tennessee from May 21-24.

"Our students will be demonstrating the highest levels of creativity and problem solving," said Theresa Jackson, PGCPS Supervisor of Talented and Gifted Programs. "This competition is a perfect example of 21st Century skills in action."

Destination ImagiNation Creative Problem Solving teams work nearly a year to prepare for the regional and state tournaments. In early March, more than 450 students participated in the Annual Destination ImagiNation Central Regional Tournament at Charles H. Flowers High School. From this competition, 31 teams advanced to the state tournament held at the University of Maryland Baltimore County on April 18.

Destination ImagiNation is a student-centered, technology friendly, international organization for kindergarten through college students that emphasizes creativity, teamwork, and problem solving. Students participated in a Central Challenge where they use art, technology, performance, and real-world relevance to solve challenges. Students also participate in an Instant Challenge where they solve challenges on the spot.