



Delaware's low cost of doing business, central location, and skilled workforce position the state as a center for manufacturing. With an output of nearly \$5.6 billion, the industry is a major force in Delaware's economy and the third-largest traded sector.

TO HIGHLIGHT DELAWARE'S VIBRANT and diverse manufacturing industry—which employs 28,000 Delawareans—and promote the sector as a top career path, the Delaware State Chamber of Commerce (DSCC) and its affiliate, the Delaware Manufacturing Association (DMA), launched the Coolest Thing Made in Delaware contest in 2024. This competition offered an engaging and imaginative

*“Not only do manufacturers make products that meet the needs of consumers right here in the First State, but they have global—even galactic—impacts.”*

— Michael J. Quaranta, President,  
Delaware State Chamber of Commerce

campaign that brings in the general population and educates them about the manufacturing industry's economic outputs, innovative products, impact, careers opportunities, and more.

Running from January through March, the Coolest Thing Made in Delaware contest featured over 50 products from 40 companies that are manufactured in the First State. Structured in a bracket format, the competition was narrowed down through public online voting, starting with the Top 16, down to the Top 4 and ultimately one champion. Throughout the competition, nearly 20,000 individual votes were cast.

The 2024 Coolest Thing Made in Delaware—Hologic's 3Dimensions Mammography Systems—was revealed at the Delaware State Chamber of Commerce's Spring Manufacturing & Policy Conference on March 28 at Delaware Technical Community College in Dover. The 2025 contest will open on January 21, 2025, and conclude on March 27, 2025. Contact Kerri Welcher at [kwelcher@dsc.com](mailto:kwelcher@dsc.com) for more information. ■

**COOLEST THING MADE IN DELAWARE WINNER**  
**Hologic, Inc.'s 3Dimensions Mammography System**

DSCC's Mike Quaranta  
 (center) with Hologic's  
 Michael Washko (left)  
 and Brian Brooks  
 (right).

# Coolest THING MADE IN DELAWARE



*"From our talented engineers and designers to our skilled technicians and production staff, each person plays a vital role in our success. Winning this award is a reminder that in the world of manufacturing, success is not measured solely by the products we create, but by the impact we have on the lives of others."*

— Brian Brooks, Vice President of Global Operations Breast and Skeletal Health, Hologic

## TOP 4 FINALISTS

**Bloom Energy**  
 Bloom Energy Servers

**Edgewell Personal Care**  
 Playtex Sport Tampons

**ILC Dover**  
 Spacesuits

## TOP 8 FINALISTS

**Agilent Technologies**  
 Gas Chromatograph/  
 Mass Spectrometer

**Avkin Healthcare**  
**Simulation**  
 Avbirth

**Dogfish Head**  
**Craft Brewery**  
 Dogfish Head Craft Beer

**DuPont**  
 Vespel® Advanced  
 Polyimides Parts & Shapes

## TOP 16 FINALISTS

**AstraZeneca**  
 Xigduo (dapagliflozin/  
 metformin)

**Blessed Hex**  
**Candle Company**  
 Nefertiti's Sarcophagus  
 Candle

**ChristianaCare**  
 Gene Editing Institute's  
 Crispr In A Box

**Dentsply Sirona**  
 Lucitone Digital Print  
 Denture Resins

**Devil Dave's**  
 Bloody Mary Stick Packs

**Mountaire Farms**  
 Chicken Wings

**Rapa**  
 Scrapple

**Voltic Electronic Devices**  
 Dual Transistor Fuzz