Tallest Flagpole STEM Challenge

Materials Needed

- 1. <u>Toothpicks</u>: (these could also be substituted for small straws or even sticks found outside)
- 2. <u>Play Dough</u>: If you don't have play dough, you can make your own with any kind of flour and food color. (this could also substituted for mini marshmallows or gummy snacks)
- 3. Ruler (a measuring tape or string could also be used)
- 4. Record Sheet (one will be provided by your teacher)

Flagpole STEM Challenge Rules

Each flagpole has the same number of toothpicks; 15

For each joint, each player can only use play dough rolled to the size of a marble.

Players have 3 attempts to build their flagpole, and the player that ends with the biggest height is the winner.

Final structure must be stable enough to stay unchanged for at least 2 minutes before being measured.

