



Engaging English Language Learners in Science

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Gillette, WY

Lakeway Learning Center - Aspen Room

Workshop 8:00-3:30

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Workshop Description

This interactive two-day workshop offers teachers of English Language Learners time to delve into combining English Language Development Standards and Science Practices. In collaborative groups of educators, we will develop a common understanding of academic language in a science and engineering environment. After developing a common understanding of language expectations, we will explore strategies and supports that foster a language rich environment. Through hands-on experimentation and analysis of language embedded within the content and practices, participants will have a deeper understanding of how to engage language learners of a variety of proficiency levels. The workshop will conclude with participants applying the process to one of their lessons.

Workshop Objectives

At the conclusion of this workshop, participants will be able to:

- Create a common understanding of Academic Language and proficiency levels
- Have a deeper understanding of the Science and Engineering Practices
- Engage in instructional strategies that support creating language rich environments for students to create meaning in the science and engineering classroom
- Apply targeted supports for a variety of proficiency levels