



# "Energizing" Students Elizabeth (Betsy) Yanik Emporia State University Emporia, KS

# ESU Outreach Programs (our History)

#### Initiatives for young women

- Enhancing Your Future with Mathematics and Science(EYF)
- Sonia Kovalevsky Mathematics Day
- MASTER IT: Mathematics and Science to Explore caReers – Investigating Together







### Initiatives for Hispanic Youth

Si Se Puede (9 years) ESU Summer Scholars(5 years) Energizing Students(last summer)

# Why develop the Energizing Students outreach program?

Objectives of the program as a whole were:

- To increase Hispanic youth's interest in science and mathematics,
- To foster awareness of career opportunities in mathematics and sciencerelated fields,
- To provide Hispanic youth with an opportunity to meet and form personal contacts with professionals working in mathematics and science-related careers.

# A STEM outreach collaboration between:

- Emporia State University Comprehensive university
- Flint Hills Technical College- technical school with a variety of 2 year STEM programs

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# Motivation



- To reach out to STEM minorities and show a wealth of STEM opportunities
- Faculty to become more knowledgeable about a "sister" institution

#### **Program components**

• STEM day on each campus:

#### ESU April 4:











#### Wind energy





### Energizing Students (Joint summer STEM Summer camp)

- Mornings at ESU, Afternoons at FHTC
- Field trips
  - Westar Natural Gas Plant
  - Wolf Creek Nuclear Energy Corporation
- "graduation" Ice cream social

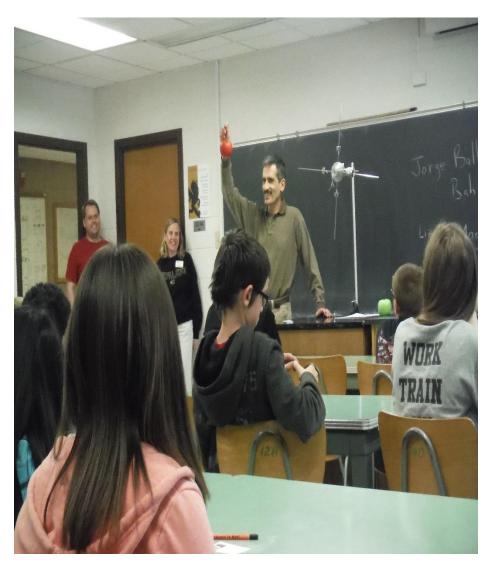
### **Additional Activities**





# Kinetic energy





## Natural Gas Plant field trip



## Wolf Creek Nuclear Corporation



## Control room



## "Graduation"



