More PEAS Please: Engaging Young Children in the Practices of Science

In this hands-on, minds-on session, participants will learn about the Practices of Science, which is a set of strategies created by the More PEAS Please program (www.morepeasplease.org), funded by an NIH NIGMS Science Education Partnership Award. The Practices are an evidenced-based cyclical approach to engaging young children in practice-based science learning while integrating cross-cutting concepts and encouraging language development. Participants will engage in a hands-on learning activity demonstrating the Practices in action using living organisms. Presenters will address diversity, equity and inclusion by utilizing culturally appropriate strategies for engaging young children from diverse backgrounds in the practices of science.

Presentation Target:

Elementary School

Presenter(s):

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- 2. Tammy Lee, Associate Professor, East Carolina University
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