

STEM FOR ALL

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Presentation Title: From Zero to AP: Expanding Access to Advanced Science Courses for All

Since 2023, Lee Early College (a rural school with a 55% SED and 69% BIPOC student population) has expanded access to Honors and AP science courses by enrolling all students in these courses regardless of students' academic background. Our session will focus on the changes we made at our school in terms of mindset, policy and practice. We will describe the positive impact on our students and what strategies we utilized to support a rigorous science education.

Presentation Target:

High School

Presenter(s):

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