Partnering for Strong Research Benefiting Gifted Children: Lessons Learned from Javits Year 1

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Session Structure

- Introduction to the two projects represented: STEM Starters+ and Project SPARK
- Thematic discussion by presenters
  - Partnerships for writing a successful proposal
  - Working with Districts, Schools, and Teachers (recruitment and assignment)
  - Partnering with Museum of Science
  - Assessment Decisions
  - NWEA
- Q&A
**STEM Starters+** “scales up” a previous U.S. Department of Education Javits demonstration project (STEM Starters) that produced learning gains in identified gifted students, general education students, and elementary teachers.

**Project SPARK (Supporting and Promoting Advanced Readiness in Kids)** is a scaled-up version of the Young Scholars Model (developed by Dr. Carol Horn, Fairfax County Public Schools, VA) as an approach to increasing representation of diverse groups in gifted programs and supporting achievement among these students.
Partnerships for Writing a Successful Proposal

Working with Districts, Schools, and Teachers

RECRUITMENT AND ASSIGNMENT TO INTERVENTION/COMPARISON
Partnering with the Museum of Science, Boston

- Establishing a partnership for grant submission
- Developing a partnership during early implementation
- Maintaining a collaboration across the life of the project

Assessment Decisions
Working with NWEA

Q&A Session