

# Classroom Collision: This Program Gets Scientists to Teach Kids Science



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According to Erika Ebbel Angle, the founder of Science from Scientists, "Many elementary and middle school teachers are afraid to teach science due to their own lack-of-preparedness." She adds: "Students are not being exposed at a young enough age, and thus fall behind by the time they are in middle school."

To get kids excited about the field, Angle's Science from Scientists program sends real scientists into the classrooms of 4th through 8th

graders, in Massachusetts and California, to teach students throughout the school year.

The Takeaway talks with Angle and Kara Miller, the host of the public radio program "Innovation Hub," which is produced by our partners WGBH and PRI, about efforts to engage and train students in the STEM subjects of science, technology, engineering and math.

Check out some Science from Scientists photos below.



Students in a Science from Scientists program. (WGBH Innovation Hub)



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