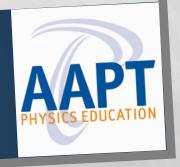
REALIZING THAT TEACHERS HAVE A VOICE

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WHAT IS THE MASTER TEACHER POLICY FELLOWSHIP?









- BRING TOGETHER TEACHERS PASSIONATE ABOUT IMPROVING THE EDUCATION SYSTEM
- TEACH EDUCATORS WAYS TO EFFECT POLICY AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL AND THE STATE/LOCAL LEVEL
- EMPOWER TEACHER-DRIVEN EFFORTS TO IMPROVE EDUCATION POLICY

VISITS AND SPEAKERS

U.S. Department of Education

National Academies, Board on Science Education

Education Commission of the States

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Land Grant Extensions Systems and 4H

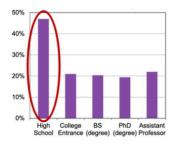
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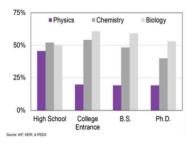
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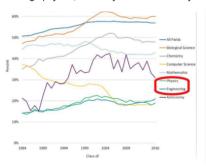
Need More Women & Diversity in STEM & Tech Jobs

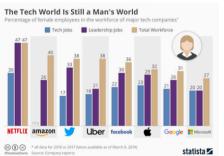
What's the PROBLEM?: Even though enrollment in H.S. physics courses is nearly 50% women, and unlike other sciences, post-secondary participation in physics falls dramatically after high school.





Why is it IMPORTANT?: If more female and underrepresented students are encouraged to take college physics, then they will be more likely to major and complete an engineering/STEM degree.





Why we need WOMEN in STEM Jobs?

- 40% more tech patents filed by mixed-sex teams compared to all-male teams.
- Need more women's input in tech companies' products (e.g. seat belts, blind spots, smartphones, apps, etc.)
- Purchasing Power: 66% of computers are purchased by women
- STEM jobs have 33% higher salaries

What can we DO?:

- Support bipartisan bills like H.R. 2528, 1665, S737
- Continue to fund NSF programs like the \$3 million grant pilot program
- STEP UP Program with APS
- Help spread awareness of this issue to local agencies and companies
- Provide guidance at the state/local level

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CAPITOL HILL

- 25 SENATE AND HOUSE OFFICE VISITS
- 6 ONE-ON-ONE MEETINGS WITH CONGRESS MEMBERS
- 1 CO-SPONSORING OF A BILL
 - HR 3108 "TEACHERS ARE LEADERS ACT"



TAKEAWAYS

- EDUCATION POLICY IS MOSTLY
 CONTROLLED AT THE STATE/LOCAL
 LEVEL
- **EXPERTS HAVE A VOICE**
- TEACHERS AREN'T LIMITED TO THE CLASSROOM

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