

PREPARING AND TEACHING THE WHOLE CHILD

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Presentation Title: *The Learning Sweet Spot: Using STEM Notebooks to Scaffold Confidence, Creativity and Critical Thinking*

The Learning Sweet Spot notebook is a different approach to the traditional interactive notebook. This notebook shifts the focus away from foldables, graphic organizers or note-taking. Instead, this model is different because every page is intentionally designed around cognitive support.

The progression gradually removes support as confidence increases. Each notebook page demonstrates how instructional support decreases while student ownership increases. It provides multiple types of scaffolds to accommodate all learners, regardless of their background knowledge.

In this session, educators will learn how to use a reusable notebook framework that can be adapted across STEM disciplines and grade levels.

Presentation Target:

High School

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