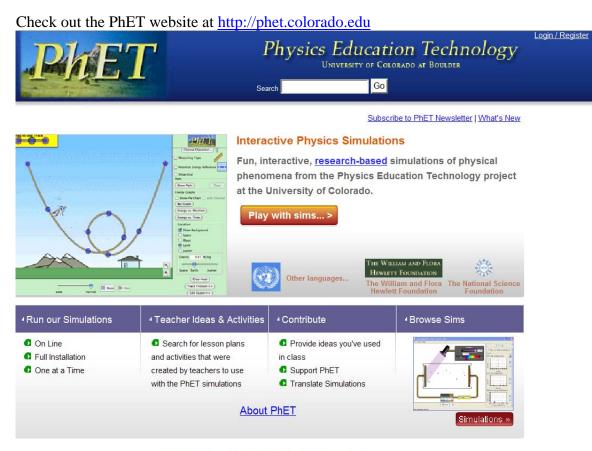
Using PhET simulations for Jeffco 8th Grade Physical Science

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Do you want to help your students make sense of Chemistry or Physics? Interactive simulations can help students develop their ideas about chemistry and physics through life-like investigations and inquiry based lessons. The PhET project provides a free website of simulations that are designed to support student learning. We have simulations like Salts and Solubility, Energy Skate Park, Reactions and Rates, Moving Man and Forces 1D. This workshop will help you design effective lessons and use lessons that other teachers have shared. The PhET team has designed a set of guidelines that help teachers integrate the simulations into lessons using guided inquiry. We will help you use these guidelines to provide activities for students to construct their own understanding of energy, solubility, chemistry, force and motion. In this workshop, you will learn about the research that helped establish the guidelines and the simulations, look at lessons available free on the web, and work on writing a lesson for your class.



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