

Connecting Science & Weather

Understanding weather means understanding basic science principles.

Each segment of the program illustrated this idea, illustrating principles & making connections with weather phenomena.

10:40: Air is matter.			
Question 2: How much does the air inside a 10 foot weather balloon weigh?	Dinger holds up "A", "B", "C", "D" cards; we ask folks to vote for different possible answers. Balloon filling continues, 2 per station.	CSU volunteers help get students into spirit.	On-screen video: Rockies player poses question. Graphics: ? Short video with question and answer choices shown. Graphics: question2.mov After students vote... Short video with correct answer revealed. Graphics: answer2.mov
On the field: Giant weather balloons, filled with fog.	Two stages: Pop stationary balloons, in turn. Gently toss balloon up, let it land on pencil.		Slow-motion replays, please! We'll take a while with this, doing 8 balloons in turn. It's a great time to do replays, even as the action continues.
Weather connections 1: Microburst			Becky on microphone. Graphics: Graphics Movie 1

Weather and Science Day

Multiscale Instruction for 13,000+ Students

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Guinness Book of World Records
World's Largest Physics Lesson
(Confirmation expected August 2014)

Small Scale
13,000+ attendees work with equipment from their bags, guided by volunteers.

Thermal Energy

Forces on Moving Air

Energy and Moving Air

Intermediate Scale
150+ volunteers do demonstrations in the stands

Forces on Moving Air

Curve Ball Dynamics

Air has Mass

Partnerships

Colorado State University (CMMAP / LSOP)

- Programming
- Materials
- Demonstrations
- Student volunteers

Colorado Rockies

- Logistics
- Staging
- Record keeping

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- Weather connections
- Meteorologist participation

Microburst Demonstration

Large Scale
Big demonstrations on the field, visible from the stands.

Drag Force

Buoyancy

What's Next?
What should we do in 2015?

Waves and Energy

