Though the Hippo looks cuddly, they have a competitive streak! hot cocoa, and a fuzzy hug from the GWTeach Hippo.

Science Buddies is free to use and may be accessed at sciencebuddies.org. It isn't relevant to your classroom! Activities listed on Science Buddies tend to be affordable, utilizing materials and enhance their science classrooms with inquiry-based lesson plans.

What keeps a phenomenal person, such as Dr. Grooms, at GWTeach? Now that GWTeach has 450 students and 36 graduates, he knows not all GWTeach graduates will become classroom teachers, Dr. Grooms is happy to see the variety of paths his students take. After graduate school and post-doctoral work as a researcher, Dr. Grooms joined the faculty at GW in Fall 2015, when the GWTeach program was just being launched. Dr. Grooms went on to earn a degree in chemistry and physics education. His first job was teaching middle school science and math. Those experiences set the stage for his research. Dr. Grooms decided to return to school and earn a degree in physics and math education. His first book in the series has appeared on the National Science Teaching Association's list of recommended materials for middle school science teachers.

Dr. Grooms continues his research work and travels to various school districts to provide professional development for teachers related to science teaching. Throughout the year Dr. Grooms attends research conferences to share results of his work and to learn what other research is being done. He also teaches and mentors students in science education. Dr. Grooms is also heavily engaged in his own research. He currently has a research grant from the National Science Foundation that he is working on. The review process is very rigorous and the funding rates are very low, so any time a grant is funded it is quite the accomplishment! One of Dr. Grooms's goals as a researcher is to increase the number of teachers of color in the profession. The review process is very rigorous and the funding rates are very low, so any time a grant is funded it is quite the accomplishment! One of Dr. Grooms's goals as a researcher is to increase the number of teachers of color in the profession. This position is with the Teaching and Learning Unit in the Education Department and seeks an intern to help with teaching and learning.

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