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The Physics Circus – Engaging students through a demo show

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The Physics Circus is a fun and exciting demo show presented by the UT Austin Physics Department at elementary, middle, and high schools in central Texas with the aim of engaging students. I will discuss the goals of this program, its facilitation, and the impact it has on the students who see the presentation as well as the university students who actively do the demonstrations. I will also demonstrate some highlights from the show, including the electric pickle, the flaming dollar, and the exploding trash can.