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Summary: How long does it take a peanut to burn? If you had 40 pieces of candy to divide among 40 people, would you keep all of it or would you share it equally with the entire group? These are among the renewable energy questions that junior high students from Buffalo found answers to when they visited UMM.

(November 17, 2006)-Approximately 40 junior high students from Buffalo, Minnesota, learned about renewable energy during a visit November 17 to the University of Minnesota, Morris. Campus sustainability coordinator Troy Goodnough demonstrated how long it takes a peanut to burn and inflated a hydrogen balloon among other experiments shared in a UMM science laboratory. Following their visit to UMM, the students explored the wind turbine that is located on the site of the West Central Research and Outreach Center near the Morris campus.

Photo: Students donned safety goggles and surrounded Troy Goodnough during an experiment

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