1067-G1-2346 Lesley W Wiglesworth* (lesley.wiglesworth@centre.edu), 600 W. Walnut Street, Danville, KY 40422. Successful Strategies for Improving the Proof Writing of Linear Algebra Students.

Linear algebra is often one of the first courses in which students are required to understand exactly what a proof is and how to write one. Because so many students are intimidated by formal mathematical proofs, I have tried several methods to engage my linear algebra students in proof writing. In this talk, I will share my experiences with group proof writing activities, peer review, and a daily proof writing assignment, as well as provide student feedback. I will also discuss which methods have had the greatest positive impact on my students. (Received September 22, 2010)