



Integrating STEM Ambassadors into your Royal Society Partnership Grant project

Getting one of the 28,000 volunteer STEM Ambassadors involved in your Partnership Grant project can help bring your STEM projects to life, injecting their enthusiasm, expertise and insightful activities into your classroom. These Ambassadors come from a wide range of backgrounds to dedicate their time to inspire young people to believe STEM could be for them. They achieve this by:

Supporting learning: help young people to understand the real-world applications of their learning.

Illuminating careers: showcase different roles and pathways into industry, raising awareness of important skills in the workplace.

Raising aspirations: help young people meet a wide range of inspiring role models, encouraging them to think about their future.



Hear a primary teacher talk about their work with STEM Ambassadors here:

All of our Ambassadors hold DBS / PVG certificates and have undergone induction training including basic safeguarding guidance.

Types of activity STEM Ambassadors can get involved with

- **Mentoring a STEM project:** Have an industry expert support teams of young people in STEM related investigations to help build not only STEM skills, but also teamwork and communication. This is an essential part of any Partnership Grant project.
- Enable careers discussions: A STEM Ambassador can come into your school to talk to students and raise their awareness of the types of jobs available and the skills they use.
- Providing a STEM Workshop: STEM Ambassadors could come into your schools with an activity ready to inspire your students. They may already have a session they are experienced in running or may be able to work with you to develop something new. Once Ambassadors know the theme of your project, they may be able to provide these additional elements tailored to your school.
- **Guidance on how to embed a research culture into your school:** Ambassadors with a research background can offer additional support to you as a teacher to embed a culture of scientific enquiry and investigation into your school.

Tips for requesting a STEM Ambassador

- Work collaboratively: While STEM Ambassadors are experts in their field, you are experts in your students and their needs.
- Be mindful: all our STEM Ambassadors are volunteers, with their own commitments outside of the programme. Prior planning and having realistic expectations of time commitments is key to working effectively with Ambassadors to have the maximum impact on young people.
- You can find suggestions for requesting Ambassadors here.
- If you need help, contact <u>stem-ambassadors@stem.org.uk</u> for general queries or your local <u>STEM Ambassadors Delivery Partner</u> for help specific to your region: These teams can support you to scope activities for STEM Ambassadors, helping craft a request which will attract the best Ambassadors for your needs.

How do I request a STEM Ambassador?

Request a STEM Ambassador by following the instructions below:



Additional guidance on planning activities can be found in our handbook for teachers.