

STEM Ambassadors: Contacting schools.

If there is a particular school you would like to support as a STEM Ambassador but no opportunities to work with them on the STEM Ambassadors Platform, this could be because they are yet to engage in the programme. In these cases, you might consider contacting the schools directly to offer your support.

Here are some tips for contacting schools directly:

- You will find a school email address on their website. This is often an admin@ or office@ point of contact.
 - For Primary, mark your email FAO the Science, Computing, Design & Technology, or Maths Lead depending on which best fits your offer.
 - For Secondary/FE, mark your email FAO the Careers Lead.
- Explain that you are a STEM Ambassador looking to support the school. They can find out more about the programme <u>here</u> or on our <u>website</u>.
- Outline what you would like to offer the school. For example, a 10-minute presentation on my career as a X followed by Q&A.
- Let them know your upcoming availability, and that you hold an Enhanced-DBS or PVG Check.
- Invite them to reach out to discuss further and ask any questions they may have.
- Be aware that you might not hear back due to busy periods in the academic year and school breaks. You may wish to follow-up a month after your initial email.
- Remember to <u>record your volunteering</u> on the STEM Ambassadors Platform.

For further support engaging with schools in your area, contact your regional <u>STEM</u> <u>Ambassadors Delivery Partner</u>.



