



BECOMING A MINERALS MATTER STEM AMBASSADOR

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Reasons to become a Minerals Matter STEM Ambassador



Minerals Matter STEM Ambassadors is a fantastic volunteer programme for employees from across the minerals sector to be part of. Being involved gives you the opportunity to offer your time, passion, and energy, and share your experiences of working in the sector with young people.

Your knowledge will also enable young people to understand more about the vital role that minerals play in our everyday lives, and how STEM subjects link in with the huge range of job roles available.

Delivered through STEM Learning, training and support is available to enable ambassadors to confidently deliver a range of activities to young people, including career talks. If you have a passion to inspire the next generation in STEM, whether you are self-employed or work for a small, medium, or large organisation, you can join the ambassador community!

Within the community is the opportunity to join the Minerals Matter scheme, which will provide specific industry resources, as well as an opportunity to connect with other volunteers from the minerals sector. Instructions of how to join the industry scheme can be found below.

It is totally flexible how much time you spend volunteering, it can be a one-off activity or a series of sessions. As long as you complete at least one act of volunteering per year, you will be making a big difference to the knowledge of young people.

If you would like to inspire the future workforce to consider working in the vast and exciting world of minerals, then this is the opportunity for you!



Next steps

To start your journey to becoming a Minerals Matter STEM Ambassador you first need to sign up to become a STEM Ambassador. Please **click here** to create an account.



Once you have created an account you will be invited to apply for a DBS through the STEM Learning portal. Once completed you will need to follow steps to have your identification verified by a person of responsibility. This will all be outlined during the sign-up process, along with some induction material for you to complete.

Once you are approved as a STEM Ambassador, you can then be added onto the Minerals Matter scheme.

Adding the Minerals Matter scheme

1. Once you have logged in to STEM Ambassador account, on your homepage click on the 'Edit Profile' button.
2. Then click on the 'Skills and Qualifications' tab.
3. Scroll down to 'Scheme Participation' heading.
4. In the free text box type the name of your chosen scheme.
5. Once you see your chosen scheme, click on it and it will be added to your profile. Note you can choose to be a part of as many schemes as you like.

6. Make sure you tick the box 'Please tick if you are happy for us to share your STEM Ambassador work and contact details with the schemes that you participate in'.

7. Once you have chosen all your schemes, scroll down to the bottom of the page and click 'submit'.

Once you are a fully-fledged ambassador you can use the STEM Learning portal to access the latest volunteering opportunities and sign up from there. You will also receive regular updates from the STEM Learning team to keep you engaged in the wonderful world of STEM, along with monthly emails from Minerals Matter to highlight new projects and opportunities.

More information on activities and resources available through Minerals Matter will be shared with you once you have signed up as an ambassador.



Activities available to ambassadors

The activities below give you an idea of the range of opportunities you could be involved in as an ambassador. There are also opportunities available directly through Minerals Matter including industry events, webinars and school projects. Support and resources are available to ensure that you are fully prepared before you take part in an activity.



Classroom



STEM Club activities



Career talks



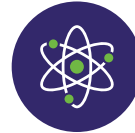
Speed networking



Online mentoring



Site visits & hosting work experience



Large science festivals & fairs



Non-school group

Benefits of becoming a Minerals Matter STEM Ambassador

There are a huge range of benefits to both individuals and businesses when signing up to become a Minerals Matter STEM Ambassador, here are just some of them:

Individuals

- Provides you with a sense of purpose and community.
- Helps you meet new friends.
- Increases your social skills.
- Improves self-esteem and confidence.
- Enables you to give back to your local community.
- Develops skills that you may not often use in your everyday job.

Businesses

- Strengthens the talent pipeline.
- Increases awareness of the minerals industry with young people and educators.
- Motivates employees and increases job satisfaction.
- Improves employee engagement.
- Enhances the reputation of the business.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Minerals Matter STEM Ambassador community, supporting you to inspire the next generation about the fantastic careers they can have in the industry.



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