

STEM AMBASSADORS AT SSERC

STEM Ambassadors are volunteers who help young people learn about STEM subjects (science, technology, engineering, and maths). They work in schools, colleges, and other organisations to inspire young people to pursue STEM careers.

What do STEM Ambassadors do?

- Provide information on the skills and qualifications needed for STEM careers
- Encourage young people to continue studying STEM subjects
- Help young people explore the applications of STEM subjects in the wider world
- Broaden career horizons
- Raise aspirations
- Build understanding of the role that STEM subjects play in everyone's lives

Who can become a STEM Ambassador?

- People aged 17 and up
- People from a wide range of STEM-related jobs and disciplines, such as engineering, design, architecture, science, and technology

What's involved?

- Visiting schools, colleges, and other organizations
- Taking part in science fairs
- Advising on CV writing
- Providing support at careers events
- Helping with interview techniques
- Supporting after school STEM clubs

Benefits of becoming a STEM Ambassador :

- Training and support
- Exclusive community
- Collaborative network space
- Career talks
- Job satisfaction and retention
- Social impact

What is “Tick Talk”?

“**Tick Talk**” is a partnership between the Lyme Resource Centre and STEM Ambassadors in Scotland

The purpose of this partnership is to promote face to face dialogue with the public to communicate messages designed to enable the public to enjoy the outdoors whilst allowing them to be safer from the threat of tick bites and Lyme disease.

The messages that will be communicated are:

- Advice on how to dress to minimise the chance of tick bites.
- How to check for ticks and remove them safely
- Understanding the early signs of Lyme disease
- Seeking assistance if concerns about early Lyme disease

This will be achieved by STEM Ambassadors working with LRC volunteers manning stands at local and national meetings of groups interested in promoting enjoyment of the outdoors.