



## Why Should your company Adopt a School?

Over the last 15 years The Learning Partnership have delivered some of the most popular and effective STEM Inspiration physical classroom activities and competitions for Schools in the UK, including the **Race for the Line Model Rocket Car National Competition** with 78,000 students across 400 secondary schools involved this year alone.

The initiative is a whole year group project for Year 7 students and designed to promote STEM learning and assist teachers in bringing to life - Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics subject matter within the Year 7 curriculum.

Students work in small, inclusive teams to design and build a model rocket car from kits supplied by TLP and, in parallel, explore, discuss and understand STEM concepts such as aerodynamics, Newton's Laws of Motion, as well as computer programming through the use of a Micro:bit to measure performance.

Partnerships with RAF, Army and Navy are in place to support the programmes - which this year meant they delivered 1000-person days to support qualifying events and races. This is way above their expectations as it is one of the fastest growing national STEM programmes.

Model change: Due to a previously unforeseen contractual restraint the joint forces have asked us to train 2 teachers in each school and supply the STEM programme management for those schools. TLP is seeking local business support to make the competition 'Free at the point of entry' for schools and to enable the joint forces to continue in their role as Regional and National Finals hosts.

For a school and all Year 7 students to participate costs £600. However, in times of limited budgets participation by the school is now dependent on securing external financial support - ideally from a local STEM business.

Our aim is to recruit 500+ STEM businesses to make a tax-deductible grant to a school near them. In return for their support and in conjunction with The Learning Partnership the business will link with the school – be invited to the school race event and invited to join the STEM employer village at the regional finals with 30+ secondary schools and career advisors attending and have their logo on the regional event promotion material.

As well as inspiring young people into STEM and helping close the "STEM Gap", your support will also enable a range of new and exciting dynamics and valued interactions between your business and your local schools.

If you would like to help, then please contact:

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