

We received **470 bursary applications** and offered **146 bursaries** across the EDI bursary scheme

The EDI bursary scheme

encourages greater participation of young people from typically **underrepresented groups** in STEM activities and inspires their interest in STEM careers.

It includes **5 types** of bursary:

- 2 Neon** bursaries
- 3 Big Bang** bursaries

The evaluation included:

We analysed the proportion of **students from underrepresented groups** that we reached with a bursary.

- 91** teachers **took our feedback survey**

What impact did they have on schools?

6 out of 10

schools offered a bursary had **above average** proportions of students eligible for **free school meals** and from **UK minority ethnic** backgrounds.



33% had higher proportions of both

17% had more students eligible for **free school meals**

10% had more students from **UK minority ethnic** backgrounds

9 out of 10

teachers said that the funding:

- enabled them to **take part**
- motivated them to **participate**
- **improved** their students' experience
- allowed them to **involve more students** from underrepresented backgrounds



Our evaluation shows that the EDI bursary scheme provides schools with the flexibility to run STEM engagement activities for students who might not otherwise have access. Schools delivered these activities in various formats to improve accessibility and student engagement.

