

S.T.E.M. Volunteers Wanted!

Inspire the next generation of Scientists, Engineers, & Innovators!

- ✿ Do you want to help advance science education in our community?
- ✿ Do you love to build interesting projects with young and creative minds?
- ✿ Do you believe problem solving skills are important no matter what career path a student chooses?

If you are a scientist or engineer and answered yes to any of the above, join us in developing the great minds of the future by signing up and volunteering as a **Science Project Adviser** for motivated local junior high students.



Santa Barbara Junior High

Tuesdays

11:57 a.m. – 12:32 p.m.

La Colina Junior High

Wednesdays

12:04 – 12:46 p.m.

Goleta Valley Junior High

Thursdays

12:12 – 12:42 p.m.

Learn more on the reverse!

Youth Innovation Club

Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math



**PARTNERS
IN EDUCATION**

Preparing Students for What's Next



What is it?

Science Project Advising is offered through a partnership between **Youth Innovation Club** and **Partners in Education** to support junior high school students with their science fair projects. We believe it is important that students have the opportunity to work on independent science projects with expert guidance. In 2018, Youth Innovation Club and Partners in Education initiated a pilot event at two junior high schools. 36 volunteers worked with nearly 600 students to help them convert their ideas into real projects. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive. You can read details here: <https://www.youthinnovationclub.org/scienceprojectmentoringevent>

This year the opportunity has expanded to now provide continuous support to students who choose to invest their time in science fair projects. Each student will develop a scientific project of his or her choice. Project Advisors will offer support at regular intervals through the project period resulting in stronger projects and enriching students' STEM education. Students will also gain other life skills such as budget planning, presentation and public speaking. This type of experience will benefit them for many years to come.

What's required to be a Science Project Advisor?

As a Science Project Advisor, you will work with a small group of students once a month on campus and answer their questions regularly (online). You will help them transform their ideas into science projects, set up proper experiments, interpret the data, and coach them with their presentation. All ongoing volunteers in public schools are required to show proof of absence of TB. This process will be free for all volunteers registered with Partners in Education.

What if I can't commit once a month?

We are also looking for guest speakers! If you have a great story to tell, an experience to share, or interesting projects that you can do with students to inspire them about science, you can sign up as a guest speaker.

How do I get started?

If you are **NEW** to Partners in Education:

1. Register with Partners in Education and create your profile
 - a. Go to partners.sbceo.org/volunteersignup
 - b. On the Group Affiliations section, select Science Project Advisor
 - c. After completing the registration, you will be prompted to schedule a phone call
2. Talk to Partners in Education staff to discuss the best way for you to participate
3. Complete TB screening (if required)
 - a. Instructions and a payment voucher will be provided

If you are a **RETURNING** volunteer:

1. Schedule a phone call
 - a. Go to calendly.com/countywidevolunteerprogram/science-advisor
 - b. Tell us the dates and times you want to volunteer at which school
2. Complete TB screening (if required)
 - a. Instructions and a payment voucher will be provided