

cyber discovery

We are delighted to invite you to take part in Cyber Discovery; HM Government's landmark cyber security training programme, aimed at 14-18 year olds in the UK.

Last year, 24,000 students took part in the initial assessment, CyberStart Assess. From there, thousands of students progressed through the subsequent stages, CyberStart Game and CyberStart Essentials, before the top 170 students then participated in a face-to-face CyberStart Elite camp.

So far, we have uncovered phenomenal talent, guided young adults on to a rewarding career path and built the foundations of a fantastic community of teachers, parents and students.

But our mission does not stop there...

Cyber Discovery is extracurricular and requires very little in the way of adult supervision, as students initially learn through a series of challenges, presented in the form of an online game. Participants are introduced to vital skills, such as ethical hacking, penetration testing and digital forensics in a safe environment, using language and concepts that they can identify with.

Your support in promoting the programme within your school would be very much appreciated. Specifically, there are two actions that you can take to help make Cyber Discovery a success:

Encourage as many students aged 14-18 to take part in CyberStart Assess.

Your help in encouraging young people to register and attempt the initial assessment is key to exposing this opportunity to as many students as possible. CyberStart Assess is designed to identify problem solving skills and logical thinking, and to spark an interest in cyber security. We encourage students with a variety of interests to give it a try. Although it may not be for everyone, by opening the programme to all students irrespective of their subject choices, we have already guided many young adults on to an exciting career path that they didn't previously know existed!

Students can register for the programme by visiting cyberdisc.io/join

Encourage teachers and/or parents to become a club leader.

Club leaders had a monumental impact on the first year of the programme. They are approved volunteers, who provide motivation and support, acting as mentors to students taking part in the programme. Cyber Discovery can be incorporated into extracurricular clubs or as an addition to pre-existing, broader computer science education programmes. For more information on becoming a club leader or running a Cyber Discovery club, please visit our club leader page cyberdisc.io/join-leader and use the resources provided within this pack.

Cyber Discovery is a key component of the UK's National Cyber Security Strategy, providing young people with an opportunity to begin the journey towards an exciting and challenging career. With your support, we intend to discover and develop the next generation of cyber security superstars and, as a result, further secure our digital future. Please help us to achieve that goal.

For more information, visit cyberdisc.io/join or email us at hello@joincyberdiscovery.com



