

21 Ideas

for Recruiting Diverse Students into STEM Clubs



- 1 Offer extra credit for students who attend a TAME Club.
 - 2 Encourage older students to mentor younger students in TAME, then count those as service hours.
 - 3 Have students turn in registration forms during the first week of school.
 - 4 Offer a club activity during class or at lunch to give students a preview.
 - 5 Create a Facebook group that showcases each meeting to appeal to parents, not just students.
 - 6 Showcase Engineering Design Challenges from previous STEM Competitions.
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- 7 For students who ride buses, meet during lunch and homeroom.
 - 8 Work with other STEM-related clubs to recruit from all grade levels.
 - 9 Serving snacks is a great motivator; partner with a local food bank or business to donate snacks.
 - 10 Encourage students to recruit, teach, and mentor younger grades to build leadership skills.
 - 11 Have a special tutorial class for TAME Club members.
 - 12 Be flexible when scheduling club meetings.
 - 13 Make TAME extracurricular with a grade attached.
 - 14 Try keeping meetings short, and offer them frequently.
 - 15 Try hosting longer meetings once a month or several times a year.
 - 16 Schedule a visit with TAME's mobile STEM museum, the Trailblazer.
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- 17 Work with other STEM-focused teachers to find students who need a club like this to open doors.
 - 18 Make signing up for TAME part of the beginning of the school year protocol.
 - 19 Schedule a period of the school day for clubs, and designate one day a TAME day.
 - 20 Make sure everyone's voice is heard during the meetings.
 - 21 Be persistent!



Texas teachers, librarians, educators, and mentors,

connect your students with exclusive scholarships, mobile STEM museums, science-themed comic books, statewide STEM Competitions, and many more free ways to inspire your students with STEM.