**APPLICATION FORM**

**Powering Potential ki Pōneke 2025**

We are excited to announce Powering Potential will be held at **Ngā Mokopuna, Te Herenga Waka - University of Wellington**on **9-11 June 2025.**

**Powering Potential** is a 3-day programme designed to connect you with working scientists and researchers, and give you the opportunity to develop your skills in critical thinking and problem-solving, and plan for a potential career in research or science.  
  
**Pārongo matua | Key information:**

* We are looking for **60 tauira (students)** from across the Wellington region in Years 11, 12 or 13 who are keen to power up their potential!
* Tauira must commit to the full 3 days of the programme.
* Powering Potential will be hosted at Ngā Mokopuna, Te Herenga Waka – Victoria University of Wellington where participants are encouraged to stay overnight for the duration of the programme. If you’re unable to stay overnight due to certain circumstances, please discuss this with Royal Society Te Apārangi staff.
* Supervision and pastoral care will be provided by the Society staff, and local teachers.
* All costs including all travel, food, and activities are covered.

**Te paearu whakauru | Eligibility criteria:**

* Year 11, 12 or 13.
* Attend a Wellington region-based school (Wellington, Porirua, Hutt Valley, Kāpiti, Wairarapa).

**Pukatono | Application:**

* Answer all questions in this form.
* Email a testimonial from a teacher, coach or mentor that outlines your strengths and contributions to educationteam@royalsociety.org.nz. **This is optional.**

Please note we will only use the information you submit to assess your application for the Powering Potential programme.  
  
**Whakapā mai | Contact us:**  
 If you have any questions, please contact [EducationTeam@royalsociety.org.nz](mailto:EducationTeam@royalsociety.org.nz).

\* mandatory fields to be completed

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| **First name(s): \*** |  |
| **Surname: \*** |  |
| **Preferred name (if any):** |  |
| **Date of birth: \*** |  |
| **Email (*not school email):*** **\*** |  |
| **Mobile number: \*** |  |
| **School: \*** |  |
| **Year of schooling: \*** |  |
| **Do you have any accessibility requirements? \*** |  |
| **Do you have any dietary requirements? \*** |  |
| **Parent / Guardian email address: \*** |  |

## Application Questions

We want to learn more about you! Please answer all five pātai (questions) below.

We welcome you to submit a video to further support your answers to help us learn more about where you're from, and what makes you, you.

Please be intentional when you complete your answers, as we will try our best to put you in a group which aligns with your interests.

**Pātai 1:** *(200 words max)*

We are looking for tauira (students) who are critical thinkers, observant listeners, respectful contributors and interested in a range of STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics) subjects. What do you enjoy learning about and why?

**Pātai 2:** *(500 words max)*

Give us an example of a situation where you found yourself taking a leadership position. This can be at school, at home, sports or an extracurricular activity.

**Pātai 3:** *(300 words max)*

In the future, what do you hope you will be able to contribute to your wider community with the knowledge you learn, research and gain?

**Pātai 4:** *(300 words max)*

Tell us about a project you’ve participated in or completed that you are proud of and explain what methods you used to execute the project.

**Pātai 5:** *(500 words max)*

How will you share your experience at Powering Potential and / or raise awareness on your research topic? For example, making a short video that can be shared on social platforms; talking to students at your school about your experience; doing an activity or talk within your community.

## Additional Information

**Testimonial**  
Please email a testimonial from a teacher that outlines your strengths and potential in STEAM educationteam@royalsociety.org.nz. **Applications without a testimonial will not be accepted.**

**A one-minute video**  
The selection panel want to get to know who you are. This is your chance to show us where you’re from and what makes you, you.  
  
Url Link:                                                                                                              
  
Please make this video unlisted on Youtube and not Private and then only those with the link will be able to see it.

**Parent / Guardian email address:**If your application is successful, a copy of a registration form will also be sent to your Parent / Guardian.

**CHECKLIST TO INCLUDE WITH YOUR APPLICATION**Applications close on Wednesday 16 April 2025 at 5pm

***Application Form***

***Testimonial*** from a teacher that outlines your strengths and potential.

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**Sending your application**

Scan and email to [EducationTeam@royalsociety.org.nz](mailto:EducationTeam@royalsociety.org.nz).

When uploading documents please label them in the example format below:

Application Form – John Smith

Testimonial – John Smith