

Running Innovator in your school.

Everything you need to be a Teacher Champion.

YOUR ROLE

Your role

As Teacher Champion you're the named adult contact for your school — not the project manager. Your job is to register, brief students, support teams informally, approve submissions before the deadline, and celebrate at the finals.

TIME COMMITMENT

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Typically 1–2 hours per week during the cycle. Most of the work happens in students' own time. We do not expect you to mark entries — judging is delivered by independent industry panels.

STEP 1 — REGISTER

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Three-minute registration at schoolsummit.com/innovator/register. You'll receive confirmation by email and a welcome pack within one working day.

STEP 2 — BRIEF STUDENTS

Step 2 — Brief students

Use the 20-minute classroom slide deck (included in this pack). Show the categories, the timeline, and the prize structure. Open the floor — students self-organise into teams.

STEP 3 — SUPPORT TEAMS

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Students form teams of 1–4. They work on their entry in their own time. You're the contact for questions and the named approver of the final submission.

STEP 4 — APPROVE SUBMISSIONS

Step 4 — Approve submissions

Before the deadline, you receive each team's submission for approval. A one-click confirmation is all that's needed.

STEP 5 — CELEBRATE

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Shortlist is published. Finalists are invited to the National Final. You receive a CPD certificate for your portfolio. School-level recognition is published in the Hall of Fame.

RESOURCES INCLUDED

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- Classroom slide deck (20 minutes).
- Pitch deck template students can use.
- 60-second video brief.
- Written entry template.
- Public judging rubric — share with students before they submit.
- Parent information sheet — send home with under-18s.

SAFEGUARDING

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All adults involved in mentoring, judging or events are subject to safer-recruitment checks. The Designated Safeguarding Lead is named on the Safeguarding page and is available to teachers, parents and SLT on request.

SUPPORT

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Dedicated teacher channel at teachers@schoolsummit.com. We respond within one working day.

