

Privacy notice – Subject Knowledge Assessments (secondary)

The National Centre for Computing Education (NCCE) is a Government run programme of support for computing teachers in England, funded by the Department for Education (DfE). It is delivered by a consortium of three partners: STEM Learning Ltd, the Raspberry Pi Foundation and BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT.

A key part of the programme is to assess the effectiveness and impact of the NCCE computing CPD provided to teachers, through a suite of subject knowledge assessments for pupils at Key Stages 3 and 4.

The comprehensive suite of quality assured assessments for KS3 computing and GCSE computer science cover the whole computing curriculum (10 topic areas), and are aligned to the online and face-to-face CPD available from the NCCE. Assessments are assigned by teachers to their pupils through Eedi's on-line platform before, and after, attending CPD. Through applying the professional learning in the classroom it is hoped that this will evidence an improvement in pupil's subject knowledge. This, in turn, will help school leaders to prioritise CPD for computing teachers as the subject grows and attracts a broader range of students.

This privacy notice explains how we use any personal information we collect about you when you sign up to use the subject knowledge assessments through the Eedi platform.

Who we are

The DfE is a Government Department responsible for education and skills in England. The DfE funds the NCCE programme and is the data controller for all information collected as part of the programme.

STEM Learning Ltd is the UK's largest provider of education and careers support in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). STEM Learning Ltd is leading the delivery of the subject knowledge assessments and is the data processor for all information collected by this programme of work.

Eedi provides on-line data visualisation and analytics for students, teachers and parents to enhance teacher effectiveness; raise student results and improve the quality of information passed to parents and guardians. The subject knowledge assessments are hosted on Eedi's on-line platform. Eedi is the third party data processor for all information collected by this programme of work.

BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT is the professional body for computing and, as part of its Royal Charter, sets and maintains academic and professional standards in computing. BCS have quality assured all subject knowledge assessment questions used in this programme of work.

What information we need

In order to assess the effectiveness and impact of the NCCE computing CPD provided to teachers we need:

- teacher name
- e-mail address
- school name, address and URN
- cohort/class size
- key stage of class
- computing topic taught

Why we need it

We need to know this data in order to:

- report statistical, anonymised information to DfE our funder
- assess the effectiveness and impact of the NCCE computing CPD provided to teachers through subject knowledge assessments for pupils at Key Stages 3 and 4.

We will only collect personal data required to provide and oversee this programme of work. You will not automatically receive marketing emails about other STEM Learning educational products and services, if you would like to receive these please sign up on our website.

What we do with it

Your personal data will be shared with:

- STEM Learning Ltd who are leading the delivery of the subject knowledge assessments.
- Eedi whose on-line platform is hosting the subject knowledge assessments.

Any personal data collected by Eedi as part of your registration process will not be shared with STEM Learning, we will receive only anonymised statistical data.

A copy of Eedi's privacy policy can be found here: <https://www.eedi.co.uk/privacy>

Personal data will not be shared with our funder DfE, only anonymised statistical data will be shared with DfE.

We have systems in place to ensure secure processing of your personal data by ourselves and anyone whom it is shared with. All the personal data we process is done so by our staff in the UK however information may be hosted in the US. When transferring data outside of the European Economic Area (EEA) we take the appropriate security measures to protect your data. For example, if using a service in the US is it signed up to the EU-US Privacy Shield.

How long we keep it

We keep your information for no longer than is necessary for our purposes, or for any period required by law, for example for compliance with HMRC requirements, if this is longer. What is necessary will depend on the reason for which the information was collected.

Maximum retention periods:

- 6 months – short term business use e.g. unsuccessful applications, requests for information
- 2 years after the last activity– engagements such as surveys, website users who have not signed in, STEM Ambassadors who have not done activities.
- 8 years after the end of the activity – CPD bookings, STEM Ambassador activities, impact data
- Regulatory lifetime - Data assets, normally related to finance or HR, which are required to be held to comply with other legislation or regulatory requirements.

If you have any questions about how long we keep your information, contact us at datasecurity@stem.org.uk.

What your rights are

You have the right to request a copy of the information that we hold about you. If you would like a copy of some or all of your personal information, please email or write to us. We want to make sure that your personal information is accurate and up to date. You may ask us to correct or remove information you think is inaccurate.

If you wish to raise a complaint on how we have handled your personal data please contact our Data Protection Officer who will investigate the matter. You can write to our Data Protection Officer at National STEM Learning Centre, University of York, Heslington, York, YO10 5DD or email datasecurity@stem.org.uk.

For our full privacy notice, please see link: <https://teachcomputing.org/privacy>