Over the last 10 years, the RSB has increasingly focused on the policy aspect of education. Our policy messages, consultation responses, and discussions prioritise:

- Supporting the teaching workforce
- Supporting opportunities for practical science in schools
- Evidence-informed curriculum development
- Parity of esteem for technical, vocational and academic pathways
- Equality of access into the biosciences for all
- Support for excellent careers provision

RSB education policy encompasses a number of areas:
- Responding to consultations on education
- Bringing together STEM and education communities
- Collating evidence from science and policy sources
- Advising UK Governments and awarding bodies
- Communicating and sharing emerging policy news

**Curriculum Framework**

**2014 Curriculum Committee established by the RSB**

**Curriculum Committee aim:** To gather evidence and build the RSB’s position on a coherent framework for 5 - 19 biosciences education.

The Committee seeks advice from researchers, educators, students, members and Member Organisations.

The framework will inform future conversations on curriculum reviews with UK Governments, policymakers and examination boards.

**Support**

The RSB supports 2 education Special Interest Groups:

**BERG | Biology Education Research Group**

- Meets two to three times a year to discuss:
  - Member’s own pedagogic research
  - Funding opportunities
  - Emerging policy and research areas

- Members include academics, biology educators in schools and colleges, and representatives from other organisations

**HUBS | Heads of University Biosciences**

- Convenes university educators and provides:
  - Grants to support teaching and learning
  - An early career lecturers forum
  - Annual conference for members

- HUBS also judges and awards the HE Bioscience Teacher of the Year Award for outstanding educators in higher education

**Engagement**

The RSB meets regularly with other societies and organisations to coordinate and collaborate on education policy matters.

**EPAG | Education Policy Advisory Group**

- RSB Member
- Organisations can join EPAG to share and inform priorities and policies

The RSB is a member of the Learned Societies Group convened by the Royal Society of Edinburgh to advise on Scottish education policy.

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Our Impact | A Decade of Growth