



Dear parent/guardians,

Ecolinc's **S.T.E.A.M Ahead** program is part of the Victorian Challenge and Enrichment Series, an initiative of the Department of Education and Training that provides enrichment opportunities to extend high ability students in Victorian government schools so that they are better supported to excel and reach their full potential.

Your son/daughter _____ has been selected to participate in the **S.T.E.A.M Ahead 'Fossil Forensics'** program on March 26th, 2026 via video conference.

'Fossil Forensics' has been designed for Years 5-6 high ability students. A PHD candidate palaeontologist from the University of Queensland will lead a video conference presentation explaining the role of palaeontology in solving past events with a Q & A session. A short break will follow and then teams of students will participate in a hands-on workshop investigating their own ancient forensic mystery.

This program is fully subsidised and therefore there is no cost to participate. The program will be delivered virtually via video conference.

Victorian Challenge and Enrichment Series

S.T.E.A.M Ahead – Fossil Forensics

I give permission for my child _____ to participate in the **VCES S.T.E.A.M Ahead – Fossil Forensics** program on March 26th, 2026.

I understand that this program will be delivered virtually by **Ecolinc Science & Technology Innovation Centre** (Department of Education & Training).

Parent name:

Date:

Signature:
