

Collaborative School Leadership Project

In keeping with the Department of Education and Skills' vision of encouraging innovation and promoting excellence in leadership, the Centre for School Leadership (CSL) invited schools to participate in a pilot scheme designed to support projects that involve innovative approaches to school leadership and management. Presentation College, as Lead School, in conjunction with Coláiste Eoin, Hacketstown and Tyndall College were successfully chosen in their application from over 250 projects.

The chosen project is titled: "Collaborative Implementation of Magenta Principles (active learning methodologies) to Increase Student Engagement and Embed Life-Long Learning Skills in our Students."

Presentation College as lead school on the CSL project will collaborate with Coláiste Eoin and Tyndall College. Four teachers from each school will work collaboratively with the Director of the Co. Wexford Education Centre, Ms Lorraine O'Gorman, and the Cluster Facilitator from CSL, Ms Detta Cahill, over a fifteen month period to embed active learning methodologies in their classrooms. Cluster participants will also share best practice with colleagues in their respective schools and conduct collaborative planning sessions through inter-school peer observations. Upon conclusion of the project, a report will be compiled and a showcase of the project presented. The main aim of undertaking this project is to increase student engagement levels in our classrooms and encourage distributed leadership among staff.

