

# Kishoge Community College

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## Aim

Kishoge Community College aims to provide an education that enables all students to contribute meaningfully to their communities, embrace the rights and responsibilities of active citizenship and develop the knowledge and skills needed to live, learn and work in the 21st century.

This is achieved through the pursuit of standards of excellence in all aspects of school life. Special emphasis is placed on the quality of teaching and learning, positive behaviour and the use of Information Technology as an educational tool across the curriculum.

## School Ethos

The board of management of Kishoge Community College upholds the ethos of the school, ensuring that it is:

- **learner-centred**
- **multi-denominational**
- **co-educational**
- **democratically run**

The ethos informs all policies and practices in the daily life of the school.

The Principal keeps the ethos and vision of the school visible and alive for everyone. Management is democratic, relationships are respectful, and all students are encouraged to reach their full potential.

All students follow an ethical curriculum, which includes learning about different religions and belief systems, and all are challenged to develop their own strong moral code and ethical stance.





## Curriculum

Kishoge Community College offers the full range of Department of Education and Skills subjects at both Junior and Senior Cycle.

The school's opening in 2014 coincides with the introduction of the new Framework for Junior Cycle, placing the school at the forefront of innovation in teaching and learning.

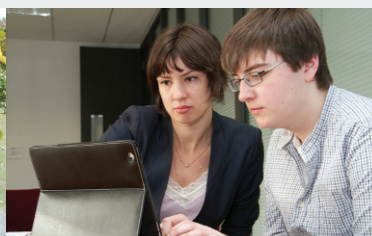
At Junior Cycle, students study English, Irish and Mathematics as core curriculum subjects.

Subjects also offered include Ethical Education, Religious Education, Science, Home Economics, Technology, Technical Graphics, Languages, Art & Design, History & Geography, Business Studies, Music, PE, CSPE and SPHE.

Subjects at Junior Cycle are studied via school-developed projects and courses that combine two or more subjects together. This integrated, cross-curricular approach to teaching the curriculum means that students are supported to meet all the Statements of Learning required for successful completion of the Junior Cycle, and that student learning is relevant, practical, challenging and fun

There is a strong emphasis on students developing key skills in literacy and numeracy, creative and critical thinking, communication, teamwork, research and leadership.

As the school's student population grows, the full range of Department of Education and Skills programmes at Senior Cycle level are offered. These include Transition Year, the Leaving Certificate Established Programme, the Leaving Certificate Applied Programme and the Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme.



## Role of Parents/Guardians

Kishoge Community College adopts a partnership approach with parents/guardians, who are recognised as the primary educators of their children. Parents/guardians are encouraged to take an active role in their child's education throughout their time at the school. An active, democratically elected Parents' Association is established early in the life of the school.

## Management

At Kishoge Community College, the management process is open and inclusive. The board of management, a sub-committee of Dublin & Dún Laoghaire ETB, has responsibility for the good governance of the school. The day-to-day management of the school is the responsibility of the Principal and his/her team. The Board consists of nominees from Dublin & Dún Laoghaire ETB, Educate Together, parents/guardians, school staff and the local community. Students are included on the board of management as associate members.

## Assessment

At Kishoge Community College, parents/guardians and students receive regular updates on student progress and achievement via Individual Learning Profiles, parent/teacher meetings and school reports. Students are assessed on a continuous basis, not just on subject knowledge but on their skills development.



## Quality Teaching & Learning

At Kishoge Community College, we aim for high academic standards. Our enthusiastic and innovative teachers engage in teaching that challenges all students to achieve their best. Kishoge Community College also provides a comprehensive range of student supports that help students to reach their full social and academic potential, including: Pastoral Care, Leadership Development, Student Council, Learning Support, Career Guidance and Counselling, Book Rental Scheme, Canteen Facilities and School Transport advice.

## Extra-Curricular Activities

Students are encouraged to engage in all aspects of school life at Kishoge Community College. In line with student interests, opportunities such as talent shows, drama and musical productions, ciorcal comhrá, club ceoil traidsiúnta, debating are offered, as well as specialist programmes such as An Gaisce and Young Social Innovators.

Sporting activities are well supported, with students encouraged to participate fully in a variety of sports, indoor and outdoor, team and individual.

## Facilities

Kishoge Community College has bright, well-equipped specialist classrooms, flexible learning spaces, sports areas and student social spaces, all planned so that students are enabled to learn in a building that is attractively designed and suits their needs.

Adult education is provided through evening provision and the local Dublin & Dún Laoghaire ETB Adult Education Service will support community and adult education provision through the school facility.



# Enrolment 2014/15

**The school caters for students living in the local area in a fully inclusive manner. Kishoge Community College is multi-denominational, co-educational, learner-centred and democratically run welcoming students of all social, cultural, religious and non-religious backgrounds.**

**You can enrol your child in Kishoge Community College for September 2014 (1st Year only).**

- 1) **Complete the enrolment form included in this pack.**
- 2) **Return enrolment form to**

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