

School Website

DEIS (Delivering Equality of Opportunity in Schools)

Ballinode Community College is a DÉIS school. This means that it is part of a government programme called DÉIS to combat educational disadvantage. We want to improve the learner experience for our students and especially for students who are experiencing additional difficulties.

This short video explains simply what being a DÉIS school involves:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ojiHBT4omwo>

What is DEIS?

It is a national programme, aimed at addressing the educational needs of young people. Each DEIS Plan is specific to each DÉIS school but should contain the following 8 key areas:

- Retention
- Attendance
- Literacy
- Numeracy
- Attainment
- Transitions
- Partnership with Parents
- Partnership with Others

DEIS is the whole school plan for Ballinode Community College. It is monitored on a continuous basis over a 3 year period.

What does it provide for Ballinode Community College?

- Breakfast Club
- School Meals
- Extra guidance allocation
- Home School Community Liaison Coordinator
- Parents Courses
- School Completion Programme

- LCA
- JCSP
- NEPS Provision

What has it achieved nationally?

- Levels of literacy and numeracy have increased
- Retention rates have improved
- More effective school planning is taking place
- The gap between students in disadvantages areas and other areas has closed but not enough
- Attendance (coming into school) has not improved

DÉIS Plan:

A number of targets for improvement have been identified, as well as some classroom based actions, ideas and projects, that form part of our overall DEIS Plan in Ballinode Community College.