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## ***Alternative Learning Pathways Project***

The Alternative Learning Pathways Project provides a person centred, educational, supportive environment for young people with the objective of assisting them in a phased re-entry to school or to an alternative education or training facility. This Back to Education Initiative offers a full Junior Certificate Programme. The project is funded under the jobs initiative 2011.

### **Target Group**

Young people aged 15+ years who are out of school or at risk of being out of school.

### **Referrals**

Referrals are received from the Educational Welfare Officer and local secondary schools. Referrals from other agencies must be linked with the Educational Welfare Officer.

Referrals are accepted on condition that should the young person wish to return to school, this will be facilitated.

The young person must be willing to engage and participate in the project as this is on a voluntary basis.

The young person's family must also be agreeable to their admission and to supporting their educational placement.

## ***Back to Education Initiative***

### **The Project Includes;**

#### **Junior Certificate Syllabus**

- English
- Maths
- Art
- History
- Geography
- C.S.P.E.

#### **FETAC Modules and Certification**

- Level 4 Information Technology skills

#### **Additional**

- Activity programme delivered by the LAB GYD project
- Educational Guidance
- Individual Special Educational Needs work

### **Where is the project?**

The project operates Monday - Friday for the duration of the school year & is based in;

Loughlinstown Community Rooms,  
Rear of Loughlinstown shopping centre,  
Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin.



### **What Does it Offer?**

- Open and friendly environment for participants to build up their confidence
- Support in addressing educational, social and personal needs
- Learning in small groups
- Liaison with schools to help young people return to school
- Help in accessing information on further education and training options
- Information on local support services

### **Progression Options**

- Return to school
- Further education / training
- Community training centre
- Sportsreach / Youthreach
- Out of School Education Service

### **How do I apply?**

Applications are received through the Educational Welfare Officer or the young person's school. Young people or parents can contact the young person's school or the Educational Welfare Officer. They can apply to the project on your behalf. The project is voluntary, you decide if you want to be involved.