

# Training & Education Options Available Locally

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# Roscommon Adult Educational Guidance and Information Service (AEGIS)

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# Information available in Roscommon AEGIS

 Information on education and training courses available in County Roscommon and throughout Ireland

 Advice and help with applying to College and information on grants and funding

# Information available in Roscommon AEGIS

Telephone information helpline

Access to reference library including internet access

 Service available to students on full and parttime VEC programmes and any adult considering returning to learning

#### Guidance

- Integrated model of adult educational guidance counselling
- Provides personal, educational and career guidance at
- pre-entry, entry, ongoing and pre-exit stages
- Meets a range of guidance needs through:
  - \* Information provision
  - \* One to one guidance
  - \* Group guidance
  - \* Outreach provision
- Work in partnership at local level

# Client profile

- Individual client appointments
- Group Appointments
- General Public (phone and drop in)

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Thank you very much for your attention



# **Education Options**

available through

Co.Roscommon VEC

## CO ROSCOMMON VEC

#### **ADULT BASIC EDUCATION**







#### **STUDENTS**

#### May have:

- Left school early
- Had erratic attendance
- Poor experience of education system
- Have no educational qualification

#### **STUDENTS**

#### Include:

- Long-term unemployed
- People with disabilities
- Traveller community
- Early school leavers
- Living in rural isolation
- English not first language

#### **ABE STAFF**

3 full-time staff:

1 Adult Literacy Organiser

2 Resource workers

Panel of part-time tutors

#### ABE PROGRAMME

#### **FETAC Levels 1-3**

Communications
(Listening and speaking, reading, writing, spelling)
Maths, Personal Development, Computers
2-10 hours weekly

Does not affect Social Welfare entitlements

**Return to Education** 

FAS CE schemes

**Family Learning** 

**HSCL** 

**Skills for Work** 

FAS

**Special projects** 

DSFA/FAS/PARTNERSHIP CO

**ESOL** 

#### **VENUES FOR ABE 2011**

#### Roscommon

Castlecourt House
Adult Education Centre
VTOS Centre

#### Castlerea

**VTOS Centre** 

#### Ballaghaderreen

Youthreach Centre

#### Boyle

Learning Link

#### **Elphin**

**Umbrella Youth Centre** 

#### **Monksland**

**Community Centre** 

#### **Taughmaconnell**

**Community Centre** 

#### ABE COURSES 2011 Fetac Levels 1-3

Communications Maths Personal Development I.T. **ESOL** Irish for Parents Storysacks Horticulture Career Information **Community Participation** Video Expression Transnational Experience

#### BASIC PRINCIPLES

- CONFIDENTIAL
  - FRIENDLY
  - ENJOYABLE
    - FLEXIBLE
- PARTNERSHIPS
- GUIDANCE/PROGRESSION

#### CONTACTS

**ALO** 

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Castle Court House, Castle Street Roscommon

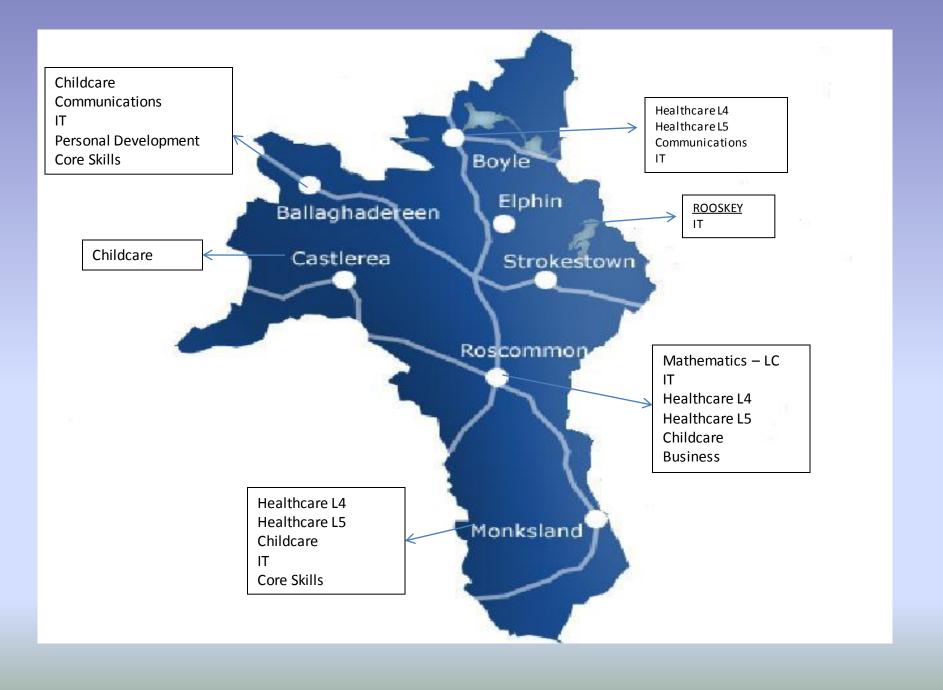
**Resource Offices:** 

Ballaghaderreen Irene Greene 086 0451427

Roscommon Geraldine Raftery 086 8101468

#### **BACK TO EDUCATION INITIATIVE (BTEI)**

- BACK TO EDUCATION INITIATIVE (BTEI)
- PART TIME CERTIFIED COURSES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY
- IT / HEALTHCARE / CHILDCARE / BUSINESS / CORE SKILLS/JUNIOR CERTIFICATE/LEAVING CERTIFICATE
- 340 STUDENTS IN 2011



# FREE TO

EARLY SCHOOL LEAVERS

MEDICAL/GP Card Holders

MEANS TESTED DSP PAYMENT RECIPIENTS

## WHO CAN TAKE PART

Over 16 and out of left full-time education

 Priority is given to those with less than upper second level of education.





#### Co. Roscommon VEC

**Community Education** 

# **Community Education**

- Preferred definition:- "process of communal education towards empowerment both at an individual level and collective level " – White Paper
- Community Based Women's Groups, Men's Groups, People with Disabilities, Community Arts Groups, Older People and others.

## Key Areas of Work

- Address educational disadvantage through partnership
- Support existing groups and help develop new ones
- Research ways of engaging marginalised
- Ensure quality
- Devise learning programmes
- Develop community education service

# **Community Education**

- Night Classes Boyle, Elphin, Roscommon, Ballaghadereen and Castlerea – recreational and Information Technology classes-end Jan
- FETAC level 5 and 6 Childcare programmes
- Various classes set up with community groups in community centres throughout the county
- NUIM certificate in Local History 2011/2012
- Visit the stand see <a href="https://www.roscommonvec.ie-local">www.roscommonvec.ie-local</a> papers

# **Community Education**

- Participation
  - In 2010 1989 participants
- Contact:-
  - Ann McNamara
  - Community Education Facilitator
  - Co. Roscommon VEC Ad Ed Services
  - Castlecourt House, Castle St., Roscommon
  - amcnamara@roscommonvec.ie
  - 090 6634189 or 087 6266398

# VTOS

# VOCATIONAL TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES SCHEME

#### Vocational Training Opportunities Scheme

- 2 year full time education programme.
- No formal education requirements to join VTOS.
- 3 centres Roscommon, Boyle and Castlerea.
- 90 places available countywide

#### **Qualifying Conditions**

To qualify for VTOS a person must:

- Be at least 21 years of age at the commencement of the course
- Be in receipt of Job Seekers Benefit, Job Seekers Allowance, Disability Allowance, One Parent Family Payment or signing for credits for 6 months or more
- Qualifying Adults whose partners are receiving these payments may also apply

#### Certification

#### Major Award at FETAC Level 5 in:

- Business Studies (All centres)
- Childcare (Castlerea centre)
- Horticulture (Croghan Centre, Boyle only)
- Art and Design (All centres)

#### What will it Cost me?

- Courses are provided free of charge
- You retain your social welfare payments
- You will get travel (over 5km) and meal allowance
- Books, materials and exams are free of charge.
- Childcare places are available in recognised crèches under the CETS scheme.(contact RCCC 0949622540)
- No requirement to sign on for duration of programme

#### **CONTACTS**

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# Roscommon Youthreach













## What Youthreach is **Not.....**



Students that attend Youthreach are not in trouble all the time.



### ...Students in Youthreach are not stupid



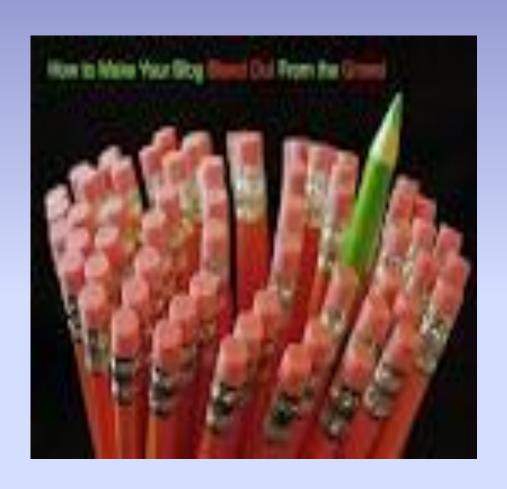
### ....Students in Youthreach don't all have alcohol and drug problems



### ....Students in Roscommon Youthreach do not lack ambition



### Who is Youthreach for?



### Students in Youthreach might have left school early because...

- They work better in smaller numbers.
- Missed a lot of school and found it difficult to go back to mainstream school.
- Confidence is low.
- Work better in a more flexible and less formal setting.
- Personal issues.

### Youthreach Roscommon

### **Mission Statement**

"At Roscommon Youthreach Centre we promote mutual respect and encourage students to reach their educational and personal potential in an enjoyable and safe learning environment"



### Programmes on offer at Roscommon Youthreach

- Cater to the Needs of the Student
  - -Junior Certificate Programme
  - FETAC Level 3
  - Leaving Certificate Applied
  - Work Experience
  - Personal Development

#### Where is Youthreach in Roscommon?

Youthreach Ballaghaderreen

Co-ordinator: John Moore

• Places: 50 students

Phone: 094 9860087



#### Youthreach Roscommon

Co-ordinator: Cormac Hanlon

• Places: 20 Students

Phone: 090 6630497



School of Further Education

### **Course on Offer**

Fetac Level 5: Office Administration
 5M1997

Fetac Level 5: Agriculture 5M 2373\*

Fetac Level 6: Business Managemer
 BBMXX\*



- \*New courses for 2012 2013
- All courses run subject to demand

Should you have further queries, contact Co-ordinator at Roscommon Community College:

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## Abbey Community College PLC Centre

Boyle, Co. Roscommon

### Courses on Offer

#### **FETAC Level 5 Certificates in:**

- Information Technology
- Information Processing
- Business Studies
- Sport and Recreation

### **Contact Details**

**Carol Cronin** 

**PLC Co-ordinator** 

**Abbey Community College** 

Boyle

Co. Roscommon

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# Other Education Options

#### OTHER EDUCATION OPTIONS

### **OTHER PLC's Locally**

- Castlerea Community College
- Ballygar Colaiste Mhuire
- Lanesboro Community College
- Templemichael Community College
- Moate Business College

### OTHER EDUCATION OPTIONS

 Roscommon Learning Links offer a wide variety of courses from Level 2 to Level 7

 RSG Flexible Learning College offer a range of computer courses

 Roscommon LEADER Partnership have a specific focus on Education & Training

### TRAINING OPTIONS LOCALLY

- FÀS
- Roscommon County Enterprise Board
- Teagasc
- National Learning Network

### Thanks to Roscommon Leader Partnership

Thank you for your attention