

Education Centre Website Notice for Post Primary Schools:

Notice for Post Primary NQTs undertaking *Droichead* as a route to Induction:

From September 2017, *Droichead* is the sole route to Induction for NQTs in SEN settings and in large post primary schools of 700 or more students.

NQTs who are engaging in the *Droichead* process must attend one 2-hour cluster meeting per term for the duration of their *Droichead* process.

Cluster Meetings may only be attended by NQTs who have submitted a DR-1 Form on www.teachingcouncil.ie DR-1 Forms must be submitted by NQTs within 5 working days of commencement of the *Droichead* process.

All NQTs engaging in the *Droichead* process must attend Cluster Meeting 1 before attending Cluster 2 and 3.

NQTs must register with the Education Centre to attend a cluster meeting. The National Cluster Meeting Schedule will be sent to all NQTs who submit a DR-1 Form to www.teachingcouncil.ie when applying to undertake the *Droichead* process through the DR-1 application.

At cluster meetings, NQTs will present Form D to be stamped by the facilitator as proof of attendance. Form D is available at www.teachingcouncil.ie. Please have this form with you on the night.

In addition to this, NQTs who are engaging in the *Droichead* process should also engage in one other professional learning activity. This may include attendance at an NIPT workshop.

Please find below the timelines for the incremental growth of *Droichead* in post-primary schools. Schools in any category may opt in to *Droichead* in any of these years, if they so wish, prior to the dates set out below:

Dates	Post-Primary Schools
2017/2018	<i>Droichead</i> the route of induction for NQTs in SEN settings or in large post-primary schools of 700 or more students
2018/2019	<i>Droichead</i> the route of induction for NQTs in SEN settings and in large post-primary schools with 400 or more students
2019/2020	<i>Droichead</i> the route of induction for NQTs in SEN settings and in post-primary schools with 200 or more students
2020/2021	<i>Droichead</i> the route of induction for all post-primary NQTs

Further information, including the *Droichead* policy is available on www.teachingcouncil.ie