



Malahide Portmarnock, Educate Together Secondary School

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Child Safeguarding Policy

Malahide Portmarnock Educate Together Secondary School Policy Document
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Mission statement

Malahide Portmarnock Educate Together Secondary School is committed to an inclusive student-centred educational experience based on collaboration, cooperation, and creation. We strive to create a community of academic excellence which is welcoming, democratic, diverse, and safe. Our vision is for students to become independent lifelong learners, who reach their full potential and become active members of society. In MPETSS we work to develop empathy and an understanding of difference in our ever-changing world.

COMMUNITY – COLLABORATION – CREATION

Introduction

Malahide Portmarnock Educate Together Secondary School is a developing school which opened on 27th of August 2018.

Malahide Portmarnock Educate Together Secondary School (MPETSS) is a multi-denominational, co-educational secondary school recognised by the Department of Education and Skills (DES). As such it operates within the regulations laid down by the DES.

The Child Safeguarding Policy in conjunction with our other policies, helps the school community to promote the school's unique ethos, relationships, policies, procedures, and practices that encourage good behaviour and minimise unacceptable behaviour. The Anti Bullying Policy helps pupils, parents,

and staff members to work together to achieve a happy, effective, and safe school environment. We strive to create an ethos of respect, inclusion, accountability and of commitment to relationships.

Students who attend MPETSS will be encouraged to reach their full potential mentally, physically, spiritually, emotionally, and socially, in an atmosphere and environment in which they feel safe, valued, and secure and in which respect for self and others is the norm. Our school operates under the direct patronage of Educate Together and there are four underlying principles which form our ethos.

We are a co-educational school, democratically run, multi-denominational and child centred.

This version of MPETSS Child Safeguarding Policy was revised in October 2025 and ratified in October 2025.

This Child Safeguarding Policy works in conjunction with the Malahide Portmarnock Educate Together Positive Behaviour Policy, the Substance Use Policy, ICT AU policy and other policies currently being reviewed and developed, RSE, Behaviours of Concern, Intimate Care Policy, Dignity in the Workplace, TY, LCA, Subject policies, and so on.