Dermot Earley Youth Leadership Programme

Bray Emmets are delighted to announce the commencement of The Dermot Earley Youth Leadership Initiative in 2023 which has been accredited by the National University of Ireland, Galway, as a Foundation Certificate in Youth Leadership and Community Action. This programme is for teenagers aged 15-18vrs old especially TY students.

Format of the programme

The programme runs over the academic year with two facilitated modules (one before Christmas and one after) and one self-directed module.

During the programme, you will develop essential leadership skills in a safe and supportive environment.

Module 1 focuses on the individual and your leadership skills, building your self-awareness, community skills, values, and communication skills.

Module 2 focuses on your ability to lead as part of a team, enabling you to cultivate your skills further.

Module 3 is a 20-hour self-directed community action project. During this module young people use their leadership skills to carry out a project that benefits their local or global community. The programme can count towards the Gaisce awards

Programme requirements

It should be noted that while this programme is hugely worthwhile and valuable to the participants it does require a time commitment. For Example, you cannot Pass without 80% attendance plus the completion of workbooks and some sessions can require some work / reflection perhaps up to an 1hr / 1.5 hrs at home so please take this into consideration if your daughter/son is planning TY activities abroad

If your daughter/son is not in a position to comply with both requirements, please don't sign them up as they will not be in a position to pass.

Fees for programme

- · A fee of €70 is payable once your daughter/son has registered for the programme. This covers the cost of the workbooks and incidentals such as resources and refreshments for participants pertaining to Module 1 & Module 2.
- · While it is not mandatory for all participants to complete Module 3, if they choose to go forward for the Level 6 Foundation Certificate in Youth Leadership and Community Action a fee of €300 is due to NUIG in order to obtain the accreditation. This fee becomes payable early in 2024.

Accreditation

Participants who successfully complete all three modules will be eligible to receive a Level 6 Foundation Certificate in Youth Leadership and Community Action from NUIG (see costs above).

To complete Module 3 and graduate in 2024, participants must be at least 16 years of age on the 1st January 2024 (NUIG regulation). Participants who are not 16 on the 1st January 2024 can still complete the third module. Their work will be submitted in 2025, thereby allowing them to graduate from NUIG in 2025.

Dates for programme

- · Module 1 will run from 7.30pm to 9.30pm each Friday in Bray Emmets commencing mid October .2023 · Module 2 will run from 7.30pm to 9.30pm each Friday in Bray Emmets commencing January 2024.
- \cdot Module 3 is self-directed with participants completing projects during March and April with a view to having programme completed by the beginning of May.

(The dates /time frame above may be subject to minor changes to cater for unexpected issues or if additional time is required to complete modules).

Facilitators

The program will be facilitated by fully trained Bray Emmets volunteers.

Application and contacts

Participants numbers are limited ,not everybody who applies may get a place. In order to ensure effective delivery of the programme, participant numbers have to be aligned with availability of facilitators. If you have further questions you can contact one of the following:

- Willie Braine **086 0266506**, Brenda Donohoe **087 2868960**, Nathan Prunty **085 2023501**

More information

See: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2XwUsec30Tw&feature=youtu.be