# **One to One Teaching Policy**



# Coláiste Bríde, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford.

**Ratified by the Board of Management** 

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Chairperson, Board of Management Review Date: 28th May, 2018

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Secretary, Board of Management

# **MISSION STATEMENT**

#### "We are working to promote a secure and caring environment,

Where Respect, Responsibility and Christian commitment grow,

Drawing forth the positive of each individual"

Coláiste Bríde is a Catholic School founded by the Mercy Order under the trusteeship of CEIST. It has a long tradition of academic excellence and is committed to the development of the whole student. It offers a curriculum designed to meet fully the needs of the student.

The school wishes to cater for the academic, spiritual, moral, aesthetic, interpersonal and physical needs of the student. The characteristics of the school are the pursuit of tolerance, compassion and a sense of justice and equality for all.

We aim to develop in each student, confidence, self-respect and respect for others.

The school and its staff value its partnership with parents in meeting the personal and educational requirements of students and staff alike.

## The core values of CEIST are :

## Promoting Spiritual and Human Development

We believe a knowledge of and a personal relationship with Jesus Christ gives meaning and purpose to our lives.

#### Achieving Quality in Teaching and Learning

We are committed to excellence and to continually improving the quality of teaching and learning.

#### Showing Respect for Every Person

We respect the unique and intrinsic value of every person.

#### **Creating Community**

Our schools are faith communities of welcome and hospitality where Gospel values are lived and where there is special care for those most in need.

## Being Just and Responsible

We seek to act justly and responsibly in all our relationships

Introduction

Teachers are routinely involved in a variety of situations in the care of students as part of their contractual duty of care. Care of students under their control is an integral part of a teacher's professional duties and contract of employment.

Coláiste Bríde recognises that the protection and welfare of our students is of paramount importance and shall fully comply with its statutory obligations under the Children First Act 2015, Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 2017 and other relevant legislation relating to the protection and welfare of our students.

One-to-one teaching takes place on a regular basis across our school as part of our learning support provision and state exam special centre provision.

# **Development of Policy**

This policy has been developed the Board of Management, and the Staff, Parents Association, Student Council, SEN department and relevant teachers were consulted during its formation. This policy will be reviewed and revised as necessary.

# **One-to-One teaching / counselling / supervision**

In situations where one-to-one teaching/ counselling or supervision takes place, every effort is made to ensure that it takes place in an open environment, (Open door / door with a glass pane).

The teacher should be positioned facing the door.

Any blinds etc, on the glass panel on the door, should be left open for the duration.

To allow for privacy for the student, she should sit with her back to the door.

In an environment where the above guidelines are not possible it is recommended that the door to the room remain open, for transparency for all parties.

Parents of students who are to be involved in one-to-one teaching/ counselling/ supervision will be informed and their agreement sought.

Any work being carried out by our Special Needs Assistants will be carried out under the direction of the class teacher in an open environment.

The Principal is responsible for ensuring that any visitors who are to work with children on a 1:1 basis are appropriately vetted, (e.g. HSE nurse, Psychologist, SENO etc...).

This policy is in keeping with the school ethos of providing a safe and secure environment for learning for all pupils and the wider school community.

#### Amendments

The Board of Management of Coláiste Bríde is committed to playing an active role in the implementation of this policy and undertakes to review and revise it, in light of changes to legislation, experience and other relevant developments.

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