

Circular 0064/2008

To: Management Authorities of Second-Level Schools

Transition Year Programme – 2008/2009

- 1. The Transition Year Programme (TYP) is part of the revised Senior Cycle structure. Over 600 schools are now providing the Programme.
- 2. A special per capita grant of €100 will be paid in 2008/2009 to schools in the free education scheme. This is in respect of additional teaching hours required to allow for co-ordination and planning and for any other expenses related exclusively to the TYP. A record of all such expenses must be maintained.
- 3. The grant will be paid on the basis of information supplied to the Department in the "October List" returns. In the case of VEC schools, the grant will be paid to the relevant Vocational Education Committee.
- 4. Schools currently offering TYP may continue to offer the programme in 2008/2009 and do not need to register. Schools planning to introduce TYP for the first time in September 2008, must register their intention with the Second Level Support Service, Blackrock Education Centre, Kill Avenue, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin by 20 June 2008.
- 5. Please provide a copy of this circular to the appropriate representatives of parents and teachers for transmission to individual parents and teachers.

Brigid McManus, Secretary General. May, 2008

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