



## Davitt College Statement of Strategy for School Attendance

Name of school	Davitt College
Address	Springfield, Castlebar, Co Mayo
Roll Number	76060U
The school's vision and values in relation to attendance	Davitt College values the holistic education of all students. Attendance is vital for their development and well-being.
The school's high expectations around attendance	Students are required to attend school every school day.
How attendance will be monitored	Teachers, Tutors, Year Heads and the Home School Liaison Coordinator will monitor daily attendance.
Summary of the main elements of the school's approach to attendance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Target setting and targets</li> <li>• The whole-school approach</li> <li>• Promoting good attendance</li> <li>• Responding to poor attendance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parents/Guardians are requested to call the school to notify of absences &amp; provide medical notes, appointment cards etc. to explain absences.</li> <li>• All staff and management will work together to improve attendance rates and reduce unexplained absences.</li> <li>• Attendance clinics will be held with the HSCL, SCP and EWO when a student has a high level of absenteeism.</li> <li>• Poor attendance will be flagged and monitored Letters/phone calls will be made to parents/guardians whose child has missed 7/12 and 18 school days.</li> <li>• Attendance certificates and attendance awards will be given to students with excellent/improved attendance at the annual awards event.</li> </ul>
School roles in relation to attendance	The school will work with parents/guardians, EWS and local agencies to improve attendance.
Partnership arrangements (parents, students, other schools, youth and community groups)	The school works in partnership with parents, staff, BOM, Parents Association, Student Council, NYP, The EDGE project, Family Support Services, MindSpace, TULSA, CAMHS, HSE and all community organisations used by Davitt College students
How the Statement of Strategy will be monitored	The strategy will be reviewed in August of each school year by the HSCL.
Review process and date for review	Review at a staff meeting at the beginning of each school year

Date the Statement of Strategy was approved by the Board of Management	June 2018
Date the Statement of Strategy submitted to Tusla	