

Brendan Byrne



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Brendan Byrne has been involved in education since 1973.

He has worked as a teacher, home/school co-ordinator, principal and guidance counsellor. He currently works as a counsellor in Coolmine Community School in Blanchardstown, which is a suburb of Dublin. There are 1,100 students. He is involved in personal counselling.

Throughout his career he has taken a particular interest in the subject of bullying behaviour in schools and has carried out extensive research in this area. He was a member of the Government Working Party, which drew up guidelines for Primary and Post Primary schools on countering bullying behaviour and has written a number of books on the subject.

He is interested in studying the professional background of people working in guidance because the role seems to vary so much, not only between countries but even between schools in the same country. This course in Iceland would help him to become aware of good practice in other countries and he would then be in a position to share this with his colleagues in Ireland.

