

Coiste Gairmoideachais Chontae Dhún na nGall County Donegal Vocational Education Committee

Donegal Music Education Partnership

Music Tutor – Job Description

The professional instruction and other duties require that:

- 1. The tutor shall give instruction in the subject matter of the syllabus to the satisfaction of the Music Development Manager/Adult Education Officer.
- 2. In addition to the work in class, the tutor is required to fulfil such other duties incidental to the proper management of and the testing of the progress of his/her class as may from time to time be required: the payments made for actual class contact hours cover these incidental duties.
- 3. Tutors are expected to arrive at a reasonable time before the commencement of the class, so as to enable the class to start at the scheduled hour. They shall record their attendance by whatever system is prescribed.
- 4. Any tutor who comes late shall be liable to forfeit all or part of his/her remuneration. The same rule will apply to early departures.
- 5. When a tutor is unable to attend his/her class he/she must notify the Music Development Manager/Adult Education Officer as early as possible.
- 6. Where a tutor is absent the Music Development Manager/Adult Education Officer may engage a substitute in his/her stead. No payment will accrue to the tutor in respect of instances such as this.

In addition to the foregoing the music tutor will be expected to:

- Be punctual for all classes
- Ensure all communications with students is appropriate.
- Encourage students and give praise as appropriate.
- Treat the student with respect.
- Offer music guidance sensitively with regard to examinations, further career in music, choice of instrument, membership of ensembles or choirs.
- Listen to and respect concerns which students may have with regard to their musical progress.
- Offer constructive guidance to parents with regard to their child's musical progress.
- Prepare students for RIAM/or equivalent exams if appropriate, in their chosen instrument/voice.
- Check the appropriate syllabus and ensure that they have chosen the correct pieces for the examination.
- Ensure that the student is fully equipped with the necessary theoretical knowledge to proceed with the examination.
- Attend training days or workshops which are provided by the management of Co. Donegal VEC Music Education Partnership and where possible, master classes which are recommended by management.
- Assist with the student ensembles/choirs in performances.
- Organise end of term concerts and parents nights with management support.
- Guide and encourage those taking tuition to join a relevant ensemble or choir.
- Familiarise themselves with the extensive work of Co. Donegal VEC Music Education Partnership countywide.