

Publicising the Role

Derwen College (ISCP) – Learner Reps are people like me



Background

How and when do learners first discover that your organisation welcomes them as a valued partner in a learning community? The case studies in this section provide examples of how organisations empower and enable learners to take on a representative role and how this opportunity is presented to diverse cohorts learners in different learning environments.

About Derwen College

Derwen College is an Outstanding provider of specialist further education and vocational training for young people with learning difficulties and disabilities.

Their Story: What has Happened and How

Students from the TV Student Group at Derwen College created a video to explain what the student council was, how learners could get involved and what difference it would make.

Empowering learners to communicate to learners directly about how representation is incredibly effective – it helps create an ethos of if they can do it, so can I!! See for yourself here:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6rTazwnlzlwandlist=UU_z8jdUhQ_Y0utXfz03OwVQandindex=17

Impact, Successes and Ideas for Action

Derwen College have one of the highest participation in their student council elections in the country – learners are informed and are empowered to both stand as learner representatives and engage with student voice more widely throughout the college.