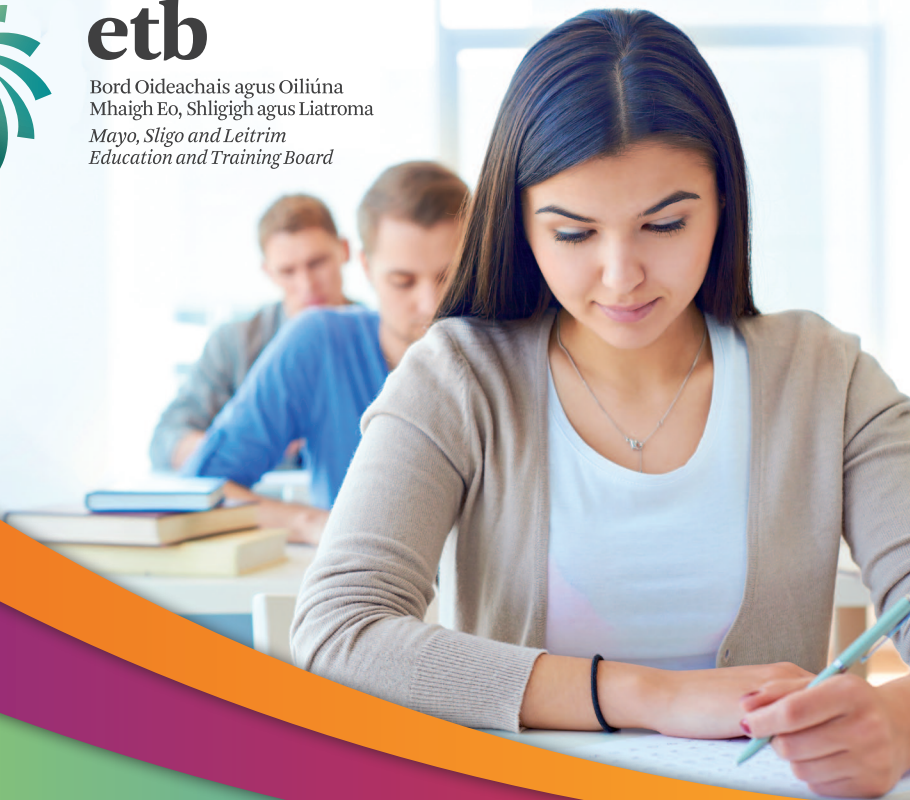




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# About Mayo, Sligo & Leitrim Education and Training Board (MSLETB)

Mayo, Sligo & Leitrim Education and Training Board (MSLETB) is the largest educational provider for Post Primary, Further Education and Training Services in the West of Ireland.

MSLETB's vision is to provide innovative high-quality education, FET services and programmes that provide learners with transformative opportunities for life and living in the West of Ireland.

MSLETB - FET is for anyone who is over 16 and wants to learn new skills or enhance existing skills to get the right job, progress to third level or support the achievement of personal goals.

Our supports are available to cater to the potential educational needs of more than 228,086 people living within or relocating to these communities.



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## **SAGE - Sligo Adult Guidance in Education**

Are you an adult considering returning to or continuing with education?

Our Adult Education Guidance Service can help you make choices about education and training by providing information, advice and support.

### **We offer:**

- Access on one-to-one and group educational guidance session.
- The service is free of charge.
- Confidential.
- Impartial.

### **We provide Information on:**

- Courses.
- Funding.
- Further education.
- Training opportunities.
- Career opportunities.

**Contact:** Josephine McGread, Co-Ordinator/Guidance Counsellor

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Saoirse Kennedy, Adult Guidance Information Officer

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## PLC Colleges

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Post Leaving Certificate Colleges; Sligo College of Further Education and North Connaught College.

- Full-time, one to two year courses leading to NFQ Level 3 - 6 awards, which includes a mixture of practical, academic and work experience.
- They are a step towards skilled employment or a route into Higher Education.
- Aimed at both school leavers and adult learners.
- Learning and financial supports are available.

**Contact:** Sligo College of Further Education, Ballinode, Sligo.

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North Connaught College, Tubbercurry, Sligo.

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## VTOS – Vocational Training Opportunities Scheme

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Vocational Training Opportunities Scheme consists of a range of courses designed to meet the educational and training needs of unemployed people.

VTOS offers the opportunity to return to full-time education while still retaining Department of Social Protection Payment.

- Courses from NFQ Level 3 to Level 5.

### Who can join the scheme?

- People over 21 years of age.
- Be receipt of an eligible payment from the Department Economic Affairs and Social Protection for at least 6 months.
- Course duration 12 to 24 months.

**Contact:** Fearghal O'Boyle, VTOS Co-Ordinator

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## Youth Services

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The Youth Affairs section is primarily funded by the Department of Children and Youth Affairs (DCYA).

The main activities of the service include:

- Quality assurance of youth work projects and groups,
- Funding.
- Administration.
- Local youth club grants.
- The development of youth work and related services in the region.

**Contact:** Trevor Sweetman, Youth Officer

✉ trevorsweetman@msletb.ie ☎ 071 913 8307/087 767 8327

## Youthreach

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Youthreach is part of a national programme of second chance education and training in Ireland. The programme includes a considerable amount of personal development and exploration where needs, interests and capacities are fully taken into account. While attending Youthreach, participants sample general vocational skills and develop their literacy and numeracy skills.

- Youthreach is for 16-20 year olds who have left school early.
- People who want to achieve their Junior Certificate.
- People who want to achieve their Leaving Certificate Applied.

### Youthreach is a flexible and dynamic programme of

- Integrated General Education.
- Vocational Training.
- Work Experience.

**Contact:** Ultan Mulvihill, Youthreach Co-Ordinator

✉ youthreach@msletb.ie  
🌐 www.youthreachsligo.ie  
☎ 0719144248

## Sligo Community Training Centre (CTC) Opportunities Scheme

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For early school leavers aged between 16 and 21 years of age.

Offers NFQ Level 3 and 4 courses in

- Catering.
- Hairdressing.
- Computers.
- Sports & Recreation.
- Plus other part-time options.

**Contact:** ✉ enquiries@sligoctc.com      ☎ 071 9145248

## Local Training Initiative (LTI)

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MSLETB in collaboration with local community groups throughout Mayo, Sligo and Leitrim provide flexible Local Training Initiatives (LTIs) for unemployed people.

The LTI programme is aimed at learners who are unable to participate in other training opportunities for personal, social or geographic reasons.

LTIs are designed for people who are:

- Anyone who is unemployed and over the age of 16, at any level of literacy, is eligible to participate.
- Primarily people under 35 years of age.
- Have no formal qualifications or incomplete secondary level qualifications.
- Courses are full-time and are delivered all year round.

LTIs are engaged in a wide range of initiatives including Catering, Genealogy, Heritage, Business, Multi Media, and Sports and Coaching. Some LTI projects are group based.

Training on Local Training Initiatives can lead to accreditation at NFQ Levels 3, 4 and 5.

**Contact:** Sligo Training Centre      🌐 www.sligotrainingcentre.ie  
✉ trainingcentresligo@msletb.ie      ☎ 071 915 9500

## Adult Basic Education

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The Adult Basic Education Service provides literacy and numeracy tuition in a supportive environment for adults who need to develop their skills in reading, writing, spelling, maths and using everyday technology.

- Tuition is offered on a one-to-one or small group basis with the option of gaining a nationally recognised qualification.
- Intake is ongoing for most courses, however some are limited to September intake only.
- Welcomes Learners of all ages and backgrounds.
- Educational Assessment is confidential.
- The service is free of charge.

**Contact:** Michelle Rudden, Adult Literacy Organiser  
✉ michellerudden@msletb.ie      ☎ 071 913 8415

## English as a Second Other Language (ESOL)

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- Offers English language classes to speakers of other languages the opportunity to learn English from beginners to NFQ Level 3 up to Level 5.
- Intake September and January.
- Courses are free.

**Contact:** Michelle Rudden, Adult Literacy Organiser  
✉ michellerudden@msletb.ie      ☎ 071 913 8415

## BTEI – Back to Education Initiative

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The Back to Education Initiative provides opportunities to return to learning for young people and adults.

- Anyone who has left full time education can take part in a course being offered, but priority will be given to those with less than upper second level education.
- Fees will not be charged to those who are in receipt of a Social Welfare payment.

**Contact:** Bridie McLaughlin, BTEI Co-Ordinator

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## Community Education

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The Community Education Service assists in the:

- Planning development and management of new and existing community groups.
- It can assist groups to access funding and networking with local and national providers.
- The service also provides financial support for community education programmes.

**Contact:** Anna-Marie Kinsella, Community Education Facilitator

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## Epilepsy Ireland

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- MSLETB in association with Epilepsy Ireland run NFQ Level 5 courses specifically designed to cater for the needs of people with epilepsy.
- Located in Sligo Institute of Technology.

**Contact:** Honor Broderick, Course Manager

✉ [broderick.honor@itsligo.ie](mailto:broderick.honor@itsligo.ie) ☎ 071 915 5303

## National Learning Network - Sligo

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- For people with disability who want to develop their education or training.
- Offers courses from Level 3 to Level 5 NFQ.
- Provides a supportive environment that can adapt to individuals' educational and or physical needs.
- Helps build confidence and skills for everyday living.

**Contact:** ☎ [www.nln.ie](http://www.nln.ie) ✉ [Sligo@nln.ie](mailto:Sligo@nln.ie) ☎ 071 914 5391

## MSLETB Training Centre – Sligo

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All courses provide fully certified programmes to increase job prospects and progression opportunities.

- Training is delivered all year round in Sligo and throughout the County in various outreach centres.
- Provides fully certified courses.
- You can achieve up to 390 CAO points upon successfully completing any of level 5 or level 6 Major NFQ qualifications.
- Traditional Apprenticeships.
- New Generation Apprenticeships.
- Traineeships.
- Evening courses up to 10 weeks or more are also provided in the Training Centre.
- Training Allowances are payable subject to eligibility.

**Contact:** ☎ [www.sligotrainingcentre.ie](http://www.sligotrainingcentre.ie)

✉ [trainingcentresligo@msletb.ie](mailto:trainingcentresligo@msletb.ie) ☎ 071 915 9500

## Skills to Advance

Further Education and Training up to and including NFQ Level 6 is available to all employed people. This skills initiative supports working lives and enterprise growth in Ireland.

This programmes approach is aimed at benefitting both the employer and the employee.

### Who is it for?

- Employees in all parts of the workforce whose skills level is below level 5 on the NFQ.
- Small and medium sized enterprises and other organisations with limited capacity to identify and meet skill development needs of their employees.
- Industry sectors with skills needs, arising from emerging opportunities or as a result of economic vulnerabilities.

Full details on funding and training paths is available from Sligo Training Centre.

**Contact:** Sligo Training Centre      🌐 [www.sligotrainingcentre.ie](http://www.sligotrainingcentre.ie)  
✉ [trainingcentresligo@msletb.ie](mailto:trainingcentresligo@msletb.ie)      ☎ 071 915 9500

## Skills for Work

Skills for Work (SFW) is a national programme aimed at providing educational training opportunities to help employees' basic skill demands in the workplace.

### To Participate Employees must be:

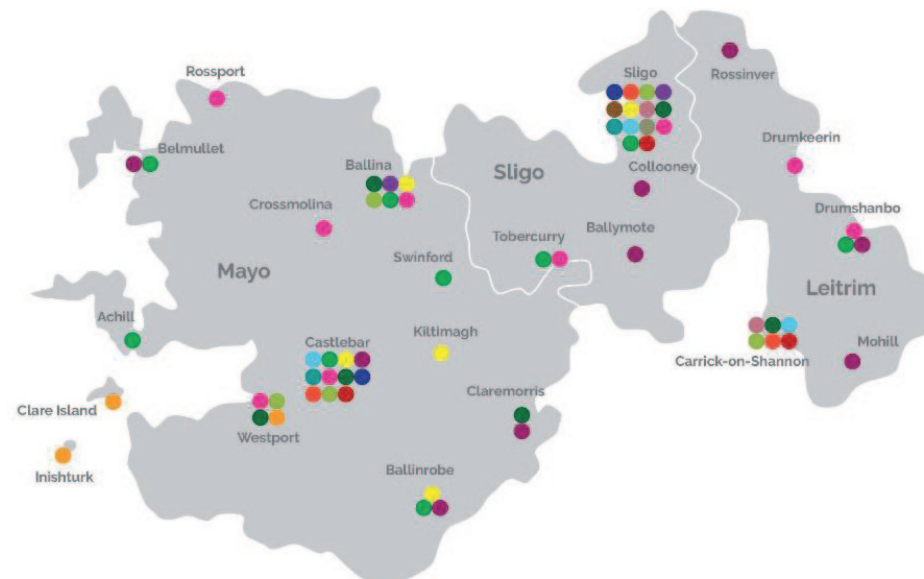
- In full or part-time paid employment.
- No educational qualifications.
- Over 18 years of age.

**Contact:** Margaret Timoney, Co-Ordinator  
✉ [margarettimoney@msletb.ie](mailto:margarettimoney@msletb.ie)      🌐 [www.skillsforwork.ie](http://www.skillsforwork.ie)  
☎ 086 701 5102

## Part-time Evening Classes/ Hobby & Leisure Classes

A number of part-time, fee paying courses run in some of our schools starting in September and January each year. Some courses are accredited under NFQ, ITEC or other awarding bodies.

Enquiries can be made directly to the Colleges.



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| ● Post Leaving Certificate Colleges (PLC)             | ● Services to Business (STB)                               |
| ● Youthreach  | ● Community Training Centres                               |
| ● The Vocational Training Opportunities Scheme (VTOS) | ● Specialist Training Programme (STP)                      |
| ● Community Education                                 | ● Local Training Initiatives                               |
| ● Music Generation                                    | ● Back To Education Initiative (BTEI)                      |
| ● Skills for Work (SFW)                               | ● Adult Basic Education Service                            |
| ● Night Class Provision                               | ● Adult Educational Guidance & Information Service (AEGIS) |
| ● Training Centres                                    | ● Youth Services   |

*“Education is not  
the filling of a pail  
but the lighting of a fire”*

– WB. Yeats

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For Full National Listings of Further Education and Training

Courses go to: [www.fetchcourses.ie](http://www.fetchcourses.ie)

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