

Amplifying Student Voice in Democratic Schools



Fostering a culture for democratic competencies in schools.

Program Details

- **Duration:** 5 Days
- **Price:** €400
- **Certificate:** Certificate of attendance included (100% of attendance required)
- **Location:** Available in Co. Kerry, IRELAND
- **Dates:** April 20th - 24th 2026
- **Target Learners:** Primary and Post Primary (Secondary) Teachers, Teaching Assistants, School Administrators and School Leaders
- **Language of Delivery:** English

Note: €80 late registration fee will be applied if you register less than 1 week before the course start date. All prices are VAT included or not due. Full payment must be received 72 hours prior to the start of the course.

Program Description

In an era where democratic values are increasingly important, it's crucial that educators are equipped to foster a culture of participation and student voice in their schools. This course, **Amplifying Student Voice in Democratic Schools** provides teachers and school leaders with the tools and strategies to create more democratic and inclusive learning environments.

Based on the **Lundy model of child participation** and the **Reference Framework of Competences for Democratic Culture** (RFCDC), this course explores the four key elements of space, voice, audience, and influence. Participants will learn how to create safe spaces for student expression, empower student voices, ensure those voices reach decision-makers, and translate student input into meaningful change.

Through a combination of **interactive workshops**, case studies, and practical applications, participants will **develop strategies** they can immediately implement in their own school contexts. The course emphasizes **active learning, facilitated discussions, and peer coaching** to ensure that participants not only gain knowledge but also **develop the skills to apply this knowledge effectively**.

By the end of the course, participants will have **created action plans** for enhancing student participation in their schools, **developed tools** for assessing the impact of student voice initiatives, and built a **network of like-minded educators** committed to democratic education.

Learning Outcomes

The course will help participants:

- Understand and apply the Lundy model of child participation in the educational settings
- Explore the Reference Framework of Competences for Democratic (RFCDC)
- Develop strategies for creating safe and inclusive spaces for student participation
- Learn techniques for facilitating student expression and building student confidence
- Create systems to ensure student voices reach key decision-makers in schools
- Develop methods for translating student input into actionable change
- Design and implement a student voice impact assessment tool
- Create an action plan for embedding democratic participation in their school culture



Draft Schedule

- **Day 1:** Foundations of Student Voice and Participation
- **Day 2:** Creating Space for Student Voice
- **Day 3:** Empowering Student Voice
- **Day 4:** Creating an Audience for Student Voice
- **Day 5:** Sustaining a Culture of Democratic Participation

About the Provider

EDUDOR is dedicated to unlocking the potential of educators and students alike. With a focus on democratic competencies and student voice, we provide innovative, practical, and engaging courses that empower teachers to create more inclusive and participatory learning environments.

For more information and registration, visit www.edudor.com or email info@edudor.com

"We worked with EDUDOR on a bespoke Erasmus+ workshop for our teachers and are very pleased with the planning, organisation and implementation of the workshop."

Kristina Fischer - Erasmus Project Manager