Spanish Visiting teachers Checklist

**The Scheme**

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| **Is it approved by the Department?**  **It’s the result of an MoU between DE and Ministry of Education and Culture of Spain** | See the source image |
| **Track record?**  **Programme has been running successfully in other jurisdictions for many years** | See the source image |
| **Additional value to our school?**  **Offers students the opportunity to learn how to interact with and respect other cultures** | See the source image |
| **Value for the future?**  **Opportunity to develop relationships and exchanges with the Spanish teacher’s school** | See the source image |
| **Did consultation take place on the programme?**  **Yes, with the Teaching Council, in the Department of Education with Teacher Education Section (Teacher Supply), Teacher Allocations, Terms and Conditions, ESR, International Section, the Inspectorate, Post Primary Languages Ireland (PPLI) and with the school management bodies.** | See the source image |
| **Is my school eligible to apply?**  **All publicly funded post-primary schools in Ireland that have unfilled Spanish teaching positions which are part of Department of Education allocation hours are eligible. The positions should be full-time with a minimum of 15 hours for Spanish.** | See the source image |

**The Teachers**

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| **Qualified Teachers?**  **Fully recognised and registered in Spain, many employed as Civil Servants with the Ministry of Education** | See the source image |
| **Have a job back home?**  **On career break for one year, extendable to two years (Note: any teacher staying for a second year would be entitled to a CID if they chose to stay in Ireland)** | See the source image |
| **Teaching Experience?**  **Minimum of two years** | See the source image |
| **Good English?**  **Advanced level of English** | See the source image |
| **Can register with the Teaching Council**  **Each teacher has been pre-screened to ensure they meet the criteria** | See the source image |
| **Screened for suitability to the Irish schools context?**  **Initially by Ministry of Education in Spain, then by DE, PPLI and schools that have expressed an interest in the scheme** | See the source image |
| **Employed with the same Terms and Conditions as other teachers?**  **The same terms and conditions as apply to other teachers in the host school in accordance with their pay policy apply. All contracts will be compliant with Irish employment law with regard to fixed term contracts.** | See the source image |

**Support**

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| **Will someone oversee the programme?**  **DE and a representative of the Ministry of Education in Spain in Ireland, with support from Post-Primary Languages Ireland (PPLI)** | See the source image |
| **PPS Numbers?**  **Department of Education will liaise with Department of Social Protection on these** | See the source image |
| **Accommodation?**  **Schools will be responsible for assisting with sourcing accommodation** | See the source image |
| **Incremental credit for years of service?**  **DE will ensure that incremental credit applications are processed in a timely manner** | See the source image |
| **Orientation and Induction**  **Provided by the Spanish embassy and PPLI** | See the source image |
| **Good English?**  **Advanced level of English** | See the source image |
| **Can register with the Teaching Council**  **Each teacher has been pre-screened to ensure they meet the criteria** | See the source image |
| **Participation in Droichead and school mentoring programmes**  **Yes, the same as other teachers** | See the source image |