

Second Chance Schools Network

STATEMENT OF INTENT

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Schools performing “second chance” type tasks and their professional partners declare their common intention to establish the “Second Chance Schools Network” and, within this framework, to cooperate in the areas of preventing early school leaving and re-engaging school leavers.

Based on the networking experiences of the “EFOP 3.1.7-16 Creating Opportunities in Public Education – Second Chance School” application project (2017-2020), cooperation is clearly necessary between schools facing similar problems and challenges in the areas of the successful operation of institutions, student employment, motivating student programs, acquisition and sharing of professional methods, as well as in the areas of the sense of belonging, professional development and motivation of colleagues, and in the areas of educational organization methods.

The signatories of the declaration of intent will cooperate in the following areas, which are also identified as the tasks of the “Second Chance Schools Network”:

- sharing experiences related to “second chance” tasks and the experiences of expert and support partners in the areas of early school leaving, anxiety and depression, effective partnership cooperation, democratic operation, crime prevention, enforcement of children’s rights, child welfare, social difficulties, internal knowledge sharing
- establishing cooperation with external professional partners, organizing trainings and workshops
- supporting and implementing pedagogical developments taking place in institutions, improving their financial conditions, participating in resource creation
- providing publication platforms for sharing special professional experiences, producing publications
- supporting the preparation of teachers
- providing observation opportunities for employees and new colleagues of institutions
- pedagogical challenges characterizing “second chance” tasks research, methodological development support.

The Carpe diem Foundation, the Hungarian Pedagogical Association and the MPT Early School Leaving Prevention Department, which are present as organizers, undertake the tasks of organizing the cooperation, providing the venue for the meetings in Budapest and supporting the professionalism of the cooperation.

The Second Chance Schools Network is a voluntary professional association without independent legal personality. The signatories entrust the Carpe diem Recreational and General Training Foundation with the organizational, official representation and commitment tasks necessary to achieve the above goals.