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Education boost for north east inner city

THE Taoiseach, Minister for Education and Minister for Finance launched a new P-Tech pilot at Larkin Community College late last year.

The programme is designed to open new educational and employment opportunities for young students. Pathway in Technology, or P-Tech, integrates secondary learning with elements of third level education and work experience.

The aim is to provide a relevant education that will increase the chance to find employment in a competitive environment and fills a skills gap.

The high tech modules will be introduced in the second year accompanied by workshops, mentorship and paid internship options provided by industry partners.



Students from Marino College touch feet, instead of shaking hands, with Minister for Education Joe McHugh during his visit to the school to view the school's P-Tech programme. PHOTO: DARREN KINSELLA

Minister for Education and Skills Joe McHugh visited Marino College recently to see the

programme in action. The **National College of Ireland** will be a third level education partner.