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### **Minister of Education and Youth**

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#### **Helen McENTEE**

Born on 8 June 1986 in Navan, County Meath, Ireland

Helen McEntee is the Minister for Education and Youth. She was appointed to this role on 23 January 2025.

Before this, she served as Minister for Justice since June 2020.

Helen was elected to Dáil Éireann in a By-Election in March 2013, and re-elected in the February 2016 general election. Deputy McEntee was appointed by the Taoiseach Enda Kenny to be Minister for Mental Health and Older People at the Department of Health in May 2016 as part of the new Partnership Government.

In June 2017, as part of a government reshuffle by newly appointed Taoiseach Leo Varadkar, Minister McEntee was promoted to the position of Minister of State for EU Affairs.

She previously served on the Oireachtas Committee on Transport and Communications, and was also a member of the Oireachtas Committee on Environment, Culture and the Gaeltacht.