



Leaving Cert Applied

Introduction to Ringsend College
September 2021

Presentation Questions & Answers
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Course description



- 4 Sessions over 2 yrs.
- 200 credits
- Continuous assessment [Key Assignments / Tasks]
- 90% Attendance
- Work Experience
- Qualification - stepping stone to college - PLC

Session breakdown

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- Session I: August - Christmas [K.A. and 1 Task deadlines]
 - Session II: January - May [K.A. and 2 Tasks deadlines]
 - Session III: August - Christmas [K.A. and 2 Tasks]
 - Session IV: January - May [K.A. and 2 Tasks]
 - June 2023: State examination in 7 subjects

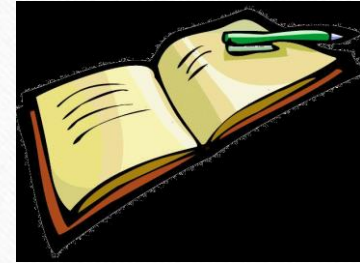
5th Year

6th Year

What are credits?

- Credits are what you will be awarded for LCA course work that is completed and submitted
- 200 credits in total for the 2 yrs.:
 - 62 credits - 31% - Ongoing attendance, class work and assignments
 - 70 credits - 35% - 7 Student Tasks (Project work)
 - 68 credits - 34% - 7 Final Examinations

Key Assignments



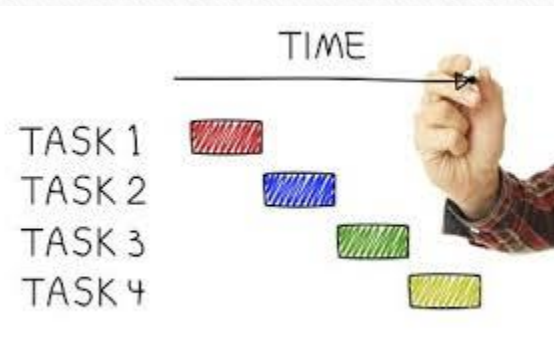
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- Each subject contains modules that must be completed over two years.
 - Each module contains key assignments that must be done in order for student to receive their credits.
 - Teacher retains key assignments in student folder and hands into coordinator for inspection.

Attendance



- Students must have 90% attendance in their subjects if they are to receive the credit for that subject.
- Attendance and punctuality are key in LCA as work is done on an ongoing basis and vital work on key assignments and / or tasks could be missed out.





Tasks



- There are 7 Tasks in LCA to be completed over the 2 year course.
- Each of the students Tasks is worth 10 credits.
- Each student will be interviewed by an external examiner on an allocated day and time and their task will be graded by them.
- Students receive marks not only on what they produce in a task but also their ability to discuss and evaluate their tasks.



Work Experience



- Students embark on two sets of two weeks work experience in 5th and 6th year. [November and March]
- Or Block Every Wednesday 9-1
- Students are encouraged to undertake work experience in an area that is of interest to them and that they may wish to pursue after school.
- Students are covered by school insurance.

Subjects offered in this school

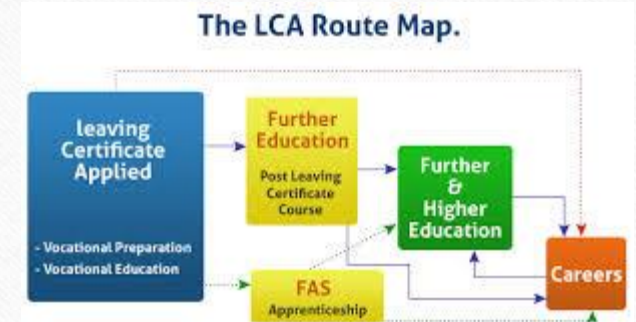
- English & Communications^{^*}
- Gaeilge^{*^}
- Maths Application[^]
- Leisure & Recreation
- Construction^{*^} or Hair & Beauty^{*^}
- RSE
- Arts Visual or Music^{*}

*Tasks/Orals in these subjects

- Engineering or Hotel Catering & Tourism
- Vocational Preparation^{*}
- Careers Guidance
- ICT
- Social Education^{^*}
- Office Administration and Customer Care^{*^}
- Personal Reflection/Practical achievement task ^{*}
- MFL^{*} [^] (German in September 21)

[^]Exams in these subjects done in this school^{***}

Qualification



- On successful completion of the LCA course, students still leave the school with a Leaving Cert qualification.
- Students can access further education by means of a PLC [Post Leaving Certificate Course] run in many Colleges of Further Education in Dublin or nationwide.
- If students are successful in their chosen PLC, and receive their required result they can then apply to a college or an I.T.



Certification

- Leaving Cert Applied is awarded at these levels:

- Pass 120 - 139 credits (60 - 69%)
- Merit 140 - 169 credits (70 - 84%)
- Distinction 170 - 200 credits (85 - 100%)

