

PATRICIAN PRESENTATION SECONDARY SCHOOL



A brief guide
to the
Leaving Certificate
Applied Programme
2024-2025



Leaving Cert
LCA

WHAT IS THE LEAVING CERTIFICATE APPLIED PROGRAMME

- ❑ It is a distinct, self-contained two-year Leaving Certificate programme aimed at preparing students for adult and working life
- ❑ It highlights forms of achievement and excellence which the established Leaving Certificate does not recognise.



LCA: WHAT SORT OF STUDENTS SHOULD APPLY?

- Students who would normally take all ordinary level subjects at Leaving Cert. aspiring to a grade O6/O7.
- Kinesthetic Learners - Students who find difficulty with learning “by rote” rather than learning by doing.
- Students who have difficulty with essay type answers.



WHO WOULD BENEFIT FROM LEAVING CERTIFICATE APPLIED?

- Students who are not adequately catered for by the traditional Leaving Certificate programme
- It offers the opportunity to prepare for and progress to further education and training, PLCs & Solas (FÁS)
- Students wishing to progress to Universities or Institutes of Technology must first of all do a 1-year PLC course after the LCA programme

WHAT IS THE RATIONALE OF THE LEAVING CERTIFICATE APPLIED PROGRAMME

- ✓ Prepares students for adult and working life
- ✓ Key component of LCA is work experience
- ✓ Work experience takes place one day a week
- ✓ Students will have four different work experience placements over the two years



WHAT IS THE RATIONALE OF THE LEAVING CERTIFICATE APPLIED PROGRAMME (CONT.)

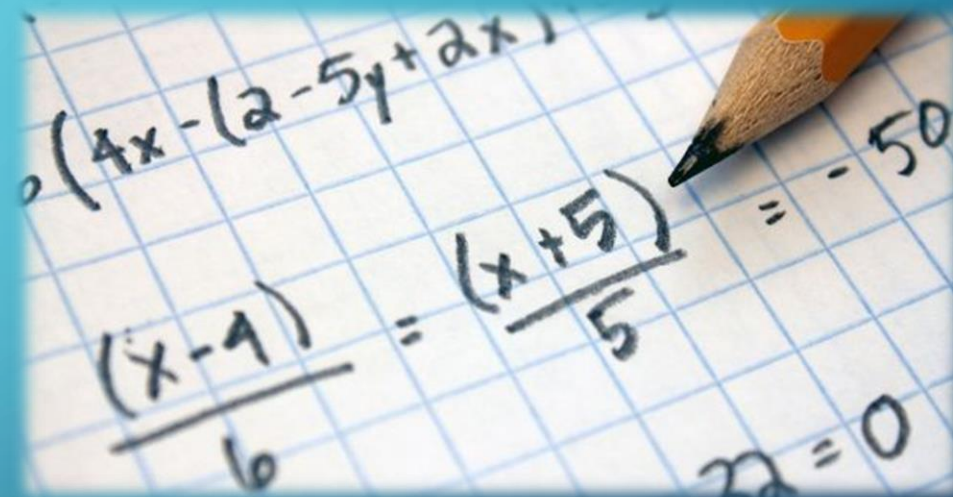
- ✓ Applies knowledge and skills to the solution of real problems
- ✓ Promotes communication and decision-making skills
- ✓ Recognises talents of all pupils



THE LEAVING CERTIFICATE APPLIED CURRICULUM

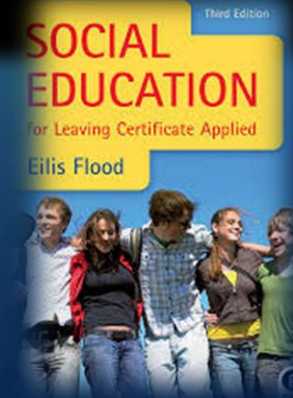
- English & Communications
- Mathematical Applications
- Social Education
- Languages: French & Irish
- Vocational Specialisms: Graphic & Construction

Hotel Catering & Tourism



THE LEAVING CERTIFICATE APPLIED CURRICULUM

- Vocational Preparation & Guidance
- Arts Education: Drama
- Information Technology
- Leisure & Recreation
- Elective Modules Science & ICT





Leaving Certificate Applied

Andréachtuairimíocht: Fíréalíocht

- A Different Way

2 Year Practical Leaving Certificate



<http://lca.slss.ie>



Supporting the Quality of Learning

ASSESSMENT:

Credits awarded for the following elements:

- *External examiner interviews covering specific tasks*
- *Continuous assignments*
- *Attendance/Participation*
- *Final Exams*

THE LEAVING CERTIFICATE APPLIED ASSESSMENT



Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit
State Examinations Commission

3 Forms of Assessment

Satisfactory completion of Modules 62 credits (31%)

7 Student tasks 70 credits (35%)

Final examinations 68 credits (34%)

Total **200 credits (100%)**

THE LEAVING CERTIFICATE APPLIED



Certification:

Pass	60-69 %	(120 - 139 credits)
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Merit	(70-84 %)	(140 - 169 credits)
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Distinction	(85-100 %)	(170 - 200 credits)
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THE LEAVING CERTIFICATE APPLIED ROUTE MAP

The LCA Route Map.





If you have any questions in relation to the
LCA programme, please email
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HOW TO APPLY FOR LEAVING CERTIFICATE APPLIED



APPLICATION FORM

APPLICATION

First Name _____ Middle _____

City _____ State _____

Email address _____

Phone _____