

Firhouse Community College



Transition Year 2020-2021

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Leaving Certificate Applied

Parents' Information

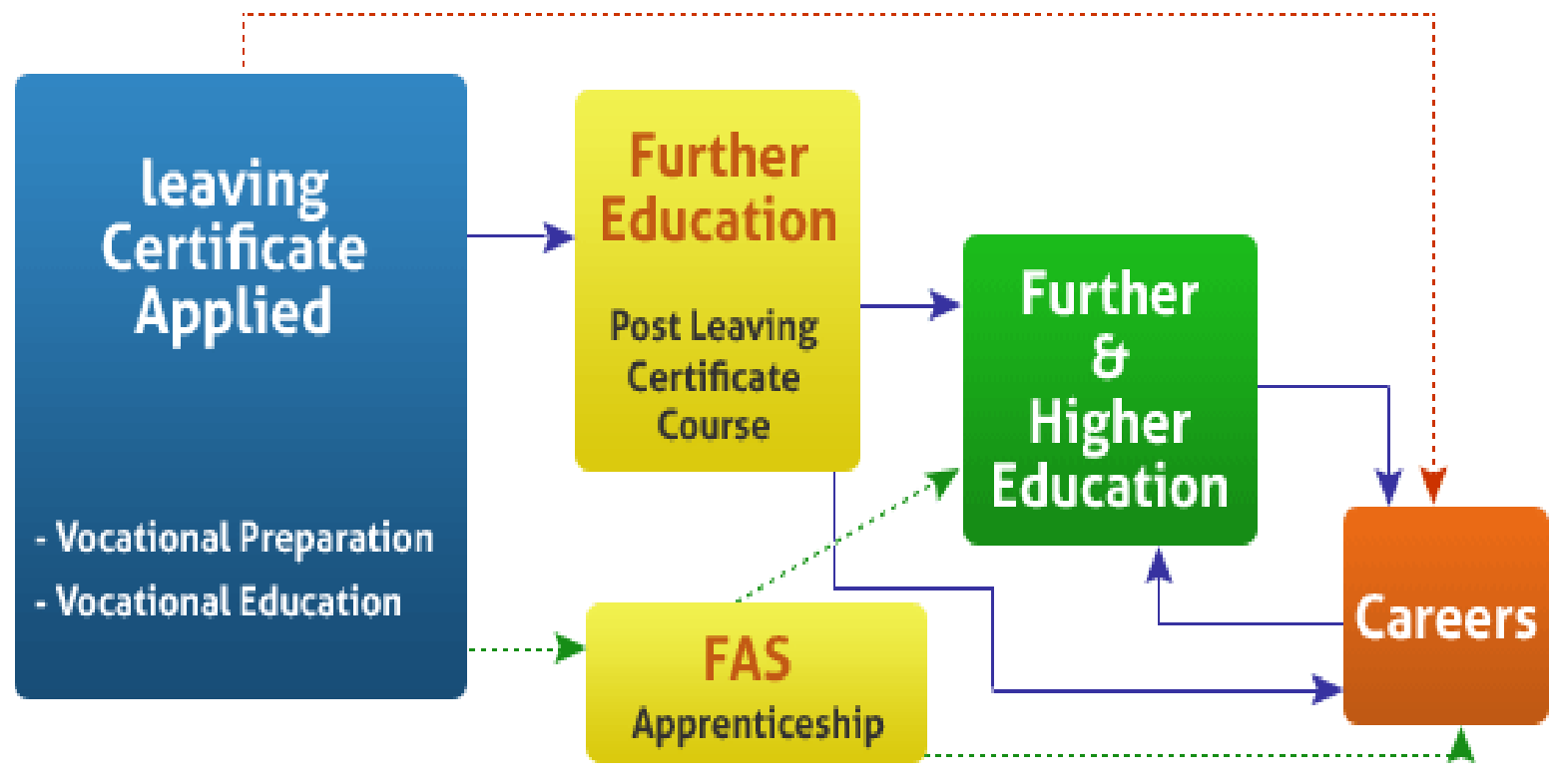
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August 2020 -
June 2022



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The LCA Route Map.



LCA

The Leaving Certificate Applied Programme(LCA)is a distinct, self-contained two-year programme aimed at preparing students for adult and working life.

It is designed for students who do not wish to proceed directly to third level education or for those whose needs, aspirations and aptitudes are not adequately catered for the Traditional Leaving Certificate programme.

The Programme is administered and assessed by the State Examinations Commission.

LCA Grading

Grading Structure

This LCA Certificate is awarded at three levels:

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

Candidates who acquire less than 120 credits will receive a Record of Credits.
This will also apply to those who leave before the end of the programme.

LCA Examinations

Oral Tests

Oral, as well as written/aural examinations, will be held in the case of all the languages including English and Communications.

Practical Performance Tests and Practical Coursework

Final examinations in the Vocational Specialism subjects comprise written examinations and Practical Performance tests/ Practical Coursework.

Timetable

The written examinations are generally held in the same period as the other Leaving Certificate examinations.

Transition Year

Our Programme is designed to
meet the needs
of the student.

Personal Growth

Building a Solid Base
for Leaving Certificate



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Developing Social Skills

- Promoting self esteem
- Increasing self awareness
- Forming good friendships
- Improving communication with adults
- Better teacher/students relations

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Delphi

Outdoor Activity Centre

Dates: New dates to be arranged

Cost: €295 in total

Details on all TY payments will be posted ASAP.

TY Class Timetable

- Session 1
- August - November
- Session 2
- November - February
- Session 3
- March - May

You will receive a report home after each session

Students are awarded credits for classwork and for assignments

Example

- Session 1

- Irish, English, Maths, French/ Geog. World religion, Computers

- Session 2

- Irish, English, Maths, French/ Geog. World religion, Computers

- Session 3

- Irish, English, Maths, French/ Geog. World religion, Computers

- Module Units

- D.C.G. Gender & Equality, Health, Film Studies, History.

- Module Units

- H.Econ. Music, Coding, Horticulture, Psychology.

- Module Units

- Photoshop, Geography, Art, Japanese, Law

Option X - All Year

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Assignments

- Assignments are an independent piece of work that the student will complete for their subject teacher.
- It is a substantial piece of work and students are usually given a week to complete it.
- Students will average 2-3 assignments per week.
- Students will complete on average 14 assignments per term.
- Every assignment is worth a maximum of 10 credits.

Work Experience.

- Insurance TY Insurance
+ Brennan Insurance (Recommended)

- Placement 1 - 1st - 5th February 2021
- Placement 2 - 8th - 12th February 2021
- Placement 3 - 19th - 23 April 2021
- Placement 4 - 26th - 30th April 2021

PLACEMENT SHOULD BE ARRANGED ASAP

One of these placements will be a Community Care - (see next Slide)

DETAILS WILL NEED TO BE GIVEN TO TUTORS AS SOON AS WE RETURN IN AUGUST

Placements

- Choose worthwhile placements- aim high, TY it is one of the only times employers will take on students as they are covered by insurance. Choose careers to experience.
- Placement 2 and 3 may be joined as a 2 week placement if it is deemed a worthwhile experience.

Community Care

- This is a volunteer placement, in a charity, hospital, nursing home, community based support can be anywhere in Dublin.
- The school will have some contacts for placements but these are limited
- If you have access to a worthwhile Community Care placement, please use it.
- You can choose whichever dates suits you if you are organising your own C.C. placement.

End of Year Certification

Based on Attendance, Participation and Interest, Behaviour, Assignments, Work placement, Community Care placement, Practical Achievement Task, Careers Project, Portfolio Assessment Interview.

- Pass 60%
- Merit 70%
- Distinction 85%



Parent information Evening

We will have a meeting in the new Term to clarify information for the LCA and TY courses.