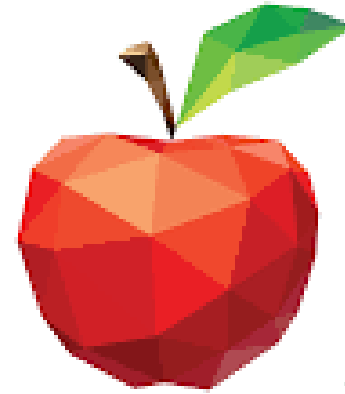




LCA

Leaving Certificate Applied
Ardteistiméireacht Fheidhmeach

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Leaving Certificate Applied

...a different way



Two Year Practical Leaving Certificate

- Continuous assessment ◀
- Individual talents recognised ◀
- Community as classroom ◀
- Work & career focus ◀
- Success & achievement ◀
- Different ways of learning ◀
- Pathway to further education & training ◀

What is Leaving Certificate Applied?



Two year course



Preparation for adult and working life



Access to apprenticeships



Offers opportunity to prepare for and progress to further education

Rationale for LCA

1. Prepares learners adult and working life.
2. Recognises talents of all learners
3. Self-esteem
4. Communication and decision making
5. Independent and enterprising



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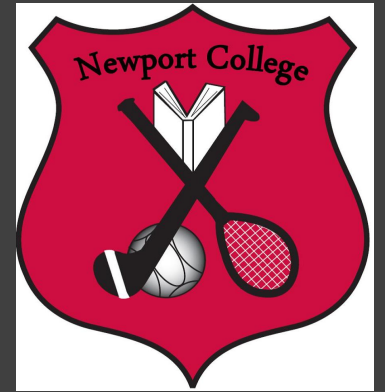
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Who would benefit most from the Leaving Certificate Applied?

- Learners who are not adequately catered for by other Leaving Certificate programmes.
- Learners who choose not to opt for those programmes.

Timeline



YEAR ONE

Session 1

Sept – Jan

Session 2

Feb - June

YEAR TWO

Session 3

Sept - Jan

Session 4

Feb - June



WORK EXPERIENCE



Work Placement

One day per week
(Thursday)



Work Experience Class

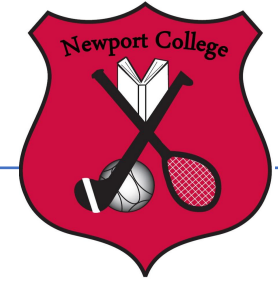
Job seeking skills
Reflection on
placement as a
learning experience



Four Work Placement Opportunities

One per session





LCA MODES OF ASSESSMENT

Satisfactory completion in school of modules + 90% attendance	62 credits	31%
7 Student tasks assessed externally and SEC certified @ 10 credits each	70 credits	35%
Final examinations, SEC certified	68 credits	34%
Total	200 credits	100%



SUBJECTS

Vocational Preparation

- Vocational Preparation & Guidance
- Jobsearch
- *Work Experience*
- *Community Work*
- *Enterprise Education*
- English & Communications

Vocational Education

- Mathematical Applications
- Vocational Specialisms
- *Agriculture and Horticulture*
- *Graphics and Construction*
- *Hotel Catering and Tourism*
- Information Communication Technology

General Education

- Arts Education (*Drama, Dance, Visual Arts, Music*)
- Social Education
- Languages (Gaeilge and French)
- Leisure & Recreation (*including Physical Education*)



Student Task

Definition

A practical activity by which learning is applied to....

Types of Tasks for general education, vocational education & vocational preparation

- **Development** of a product / artefact
- **Investigation** of an issue/topic
- **Staging** of an event
- A **performance** group or individual
- **Provision** of a service



Purpose

Vehicle for curriculum integration of as many courses as possible





Student Task 2020 "School Concert"



Summary of Tasks

Task	Credit	%	Completed in session	Assessed
1. General Education Originating in Arts Education, Leisure & Recreation, Language or Social Education	10	5	1	Jan/Yr 1
2. Vocational Preparation Originating in either Vocational Education & Guidance or English & Communication	10	5	2	May/Yr 1
3. Vocational Education - 1st specialism Originating in one Vocational Specialism	10	5	2	May/Yr 1
4. Vocational Education - 2nd specialism Originating in the second Vocational Specialism	10	5	3	Jan/Yr 2
5. Contemporary Issues Anchored in Social Education	10	5	3	Jan/Yr 2
6. Practical Achievement Generally out of school / centre	10	5	3	Jan/Yr 2
7. Personal Reflection Statement 1 from year 1 will be stored and returned to SEC when Statement 2 is complete	10	5	2 & 4	May/Yr 2

ASSESSMENT & CERTIFICATION

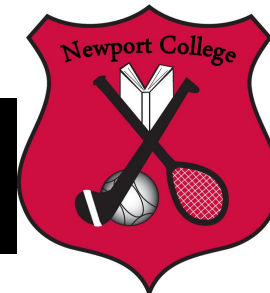


Certificate awarded at 3 levels:

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



Summary of Options



	Traditional Leaving Cert	Leaving Cert with LCVP	Leaving Cert Applied (LCA)
CAO Points	✓	✓	✗
Can Apply for Apprenticeships	✓	✓	Most
Can Apply for PLC Courses	✓	✓	✓
Can Apply directly to IT's and Universities	✓	✓	✗
Work Experience	✗	✓ (1 week)	✓ (1 day per week)- 4 over 2 years
Direct Employment	✓	✓	✓



Progression Options



Colleges of Further Education

- Also known as PLC Courses
- Direct Entry- Application- Interview

Apprenticeships

- Direct Application
- Possible aptitude tests/assessments

Teagasc

- Green Cert

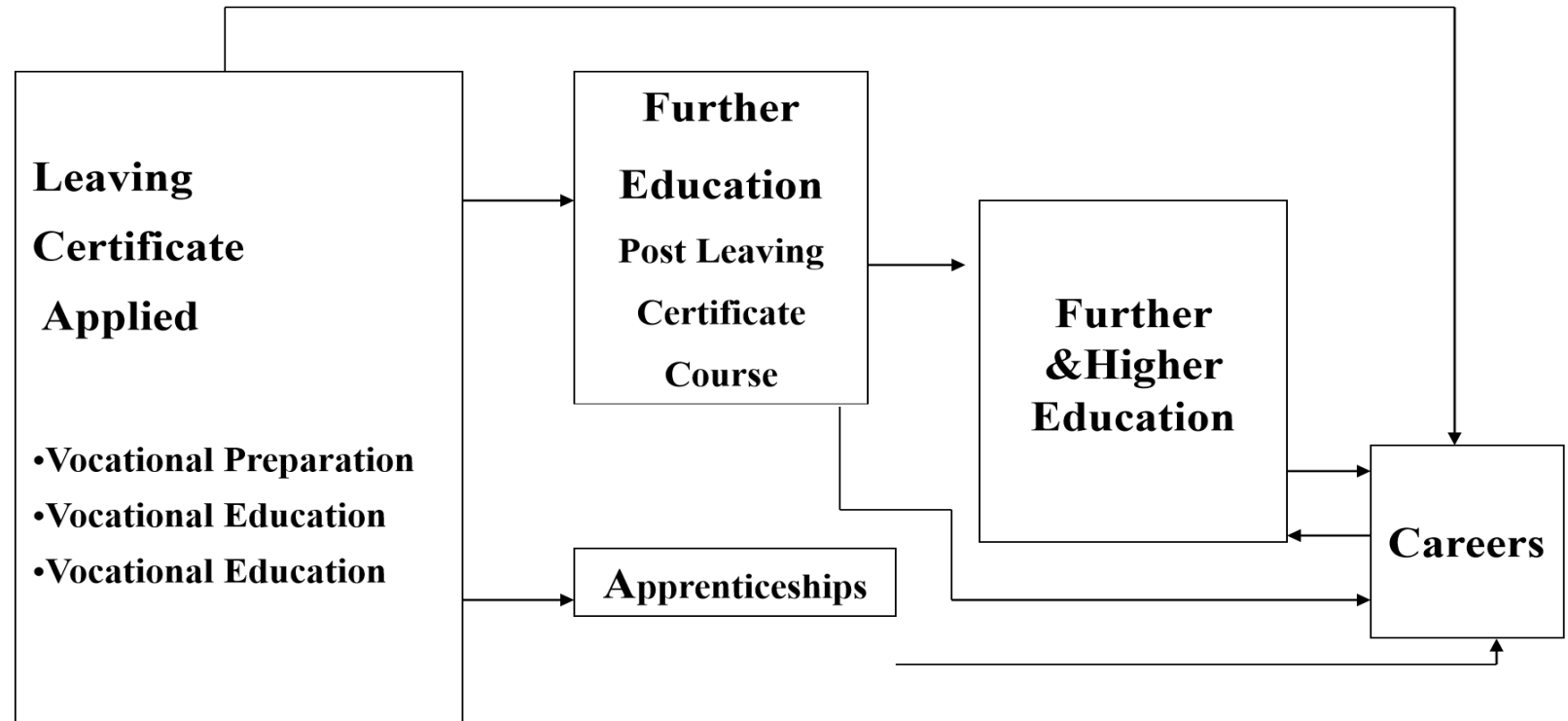
Employment



Opening up New Options



The Leaving Certificate Applied Route Map





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