

LEAVING CERTIFICATE VOCATIONAL PROGRAMME (LCVP)

Additional Subject at Senior Cycle



WHAT IS LCVP AND HOW IS IT ASSESSED...

- Portfolio of coursework completed over the two years accounts for **60%** - **due early March of Leaving Certificate Year**
- Written examination in **early May of Leaving Certificate Year** for the remaining **40%**
- Points from LCVP can be put towards the overall calculation of CAO points the Leaving Certificate



LCVP – WHY DO IT?

- Enhances the pupils preparation for the *World of Work*.
- Involves **practical experience** of:
 - Planning & executing an event- *Careers Exhibition*
 - Compilation of a *Curriculum Vitae*
 - Career Investigation – *research two pathways*
 - 3 day Work Experience – *write up Diary*
 - Recorded Interview - *3-5 minutes*
 - Organise a Visitor in and/or a Visit out – *write reports*



HOW?

- One class per week in 5th Year
- Two classes per week in 6th year.
- *One foreign language module (non-examinable) if a language is not among their LC option subjects.*
- The 5 Portfolio items are prepared and submitted to teacher for review and feedback regularly.
- Three days work experience during 5th Year prior to February midterm break (sought out by student)



TYPE OF STUDENT LCVP SUITS

- Likes practical/project work
- Works well using templates
- Works well independently and as a team-player
- Can meet deadlines
- Has good ICT skills
- Has good writing, literacy, summarising, grammar and punctuation skills
- Articulate



SKILLS AND QUALITIES NEEDED AND DEVELOPED IN LCVP

- **Leadership skills** – take on tasks, lead a team, delegate
- **Planning and Organisation skills** – responsible for plan and the organization of different tasks/events
- **Communication skills** – emails, phone calls, networking with employers and visitors, meetings
- **Teamwork skills** – group activities, resolve problems
- **Research skills** – research tasks, activities, careers
- **Administrative skills** – writing, typing reports, diaries, plans, emails, letters
- **Presentation Skills** – presenting to class and visitors
- **IT Skills** – using computers, word, excel, Microsoft office 365, referencing
- **Skills of Analysis** – research called out is evaluated



GRADE TO POINTS

Grade	Points	Compared to LC	
Distinction (80% - 100%)	66 points	H4 = 66 points (60-69%) at HL	O1 = 56 points (90-100%) at OL
Merit (65% - 79%)	46 Points	H6 = 46 points (40-49%) at HL	O2 = 46 points (80-89%) at OL
Pass (50% - 64%)	28 Points	H7 = 37 points (30-39%) at HL H8 = 0 points (0-29%) at HL	O4 = 28 points (60-68%) at OL



TO QUALIFY...

- Participants normally take...
 - Irish, English, Maths
 - 4 option subjects
- In order to qualify for LCVP, students must have
 - a LC language (or complete a non-examinable language module in 5th or 6th year)
 - and two subjects from any of the **qualifying subject groups** on the next 2 slides...



QUALIFYING SUBJECT GROUPS 1

Specialist Groupings

- 1. Construction Studies; Engineering; Design and Communication Graphics; Technology - Any Two**
- 2. Physics and Construction Studies or Engineering or Technology or Design & Communication Graphics**
- 3. Agricultural Science and Construction Studies or Engineering or Technology or Design & Communication Graphics**
- 4. Agricultural Science and Chemistry or Physics or Physics/Chemistry**
- 5. Home Economics; Agricultural Science; Biology - Any Two**
- 6. Home Economics and Art - Design Option or Craft Option**
- 7. Accounting; Business; Economics - Any two**
- 8. Physics and Chemistry**
- 9. Biology and Chemistry or Physics or Physics/Chemistry**
- 10. Biology and Agricultural Science**
- 11. Art - Design Option or Craft Option and Design & Communication Graphics**



QUALIFYING SUBJECT GROUPS 2

Services Groupings

- 1. Engineering or Technology or Construction Studies or Design & Communication Graphics and Accounting or Business or Economics**
- 2. Home Economics and Accounting or Business or Economics**
- 3. Agricultural Science and Accounting or Business or Economics**
- 4. Art Design or Craftwork Option and Accounting or Business or Economics**
- 5. Music and Accounting or Business or Economics**



WHAT NEXT...

- Think about whether you would like to take on LCVP as an additional subject for the Leaving Certificate.
- On your subject choice form, express your interest in LCVP. This determines how many LCVP classes there will be.
- At the start of 5th year, class lists will be finalised. Subject groupings will be checked and the language criteria checked to ensure eligibility.
- If your child chooses not to do LCVP they will attend SPHE class instead.
- In 6th year Higher Level Maths students attend Maths class during one of LCVP/SPHE classes per week for the year.
- If you have any questions you can email me directly on deirdre.kyne@borrisokanecce.ie

Thank You for listening

