

# Career Choice and Decision Making

The Implications of Senior Cycle Choices

# Deadline for applying for TYO

- Wednesday 20th January 2016
- Forms will be available before then.

# Deadline for applying for Fifth Year and LCA

- Wednesday 27th January 2016

# Subject Choice for 5th Year

- Deadline is Wednesday 27th January
- TY students will have Junior Certificate results on which to base decision.
- TY students will have sampled the Business and Science subjects
- TY students will have done some Leaving Certificate Honours Maths

# Students who go on from Third Year to Fifth Year

- These students will have meetings with the Guidance Counsellors after 27th January to help them decide which subjects they should do in Fifth Year

# Fifth Year

- Core Subjects:
- Irish, English, Maths, French or German
- Religion, P.E., Careers
- Choice of Three Other Subjects

# Choice of Three From:

- Business, Economics, Accounting, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Art, Music, Technology, History, Geography, Home Economics

# Career Choice can be helped by

- Work Experience
- Social Placement



# Study Skills

- Difficulty of “leap” between standard expected in Third Year and Fifth Year.
- Time management skills are developed in TYO
- Non TY students are at a disadvantage as they are a minority of younger less experienced students in a class. They need to be very focused to do well.

# Social Development – important points to consider

- What age will your daughter be when leaving home for college
- How maturity is she likely to be?
- Will she have the skills to live independently?
- Will she have the coping skills to manage loneliness, budgeting, socialising etc.?

# Leaving Certificate Applied

- Excellent option for less academic students
- Active Learning and continuous assessment are the basis of LCA
- Suits students who may do several ordinary level subjects at Junior Certificate

# Progression

- Must do a College of Further Education Course before admission to university or Institutes of Technology
- Suitable for students interested in hairdressing, childcare, office administration etc.

# Opportunities

- Much the same as for students who take mostly ordinary level subjects in traditional Leaving Certificate
- Advantage of 4 work placements over two years means that LCA students can be at an advantage at interviews for places on courses in Colleges of Further Education

# Programme subject to numbers

- LCA and subjects for Fifth Year can only be offered if a reasonable number of students are interested.
- If you would like to enquire about LCA for your daughter please contact the school over the next two weeks.