

Post Leaving Certificate Options Meeting 2024

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Central Applications Office (CAO)

- ▶ All concerned students should have application made by 18/12/23
- ▶ They have until 19/01/2024 to insert course options - please ensure this is completed
- ▶ HEAR/Dara Scheme form must be complete by 19/01/23 and supporting documents must be in by March 1st 2024



Costs of College



College registration for 2023 is 2500 Euro



No registration if eligible for a grant



Grants available for both College and PLC students (Reduced)



See www.studentfinance.ie for applications and more info



PLC costs approx €50 per year



Top up grants available to HEAR applicants

Post Leaving Certificate Courses Main Providers in this area are:

Colaiste Dhulaigh

Colaiste Ide

Liberties College

Dun Laoghaire (Two PLC colleges)

Plunket College

Whitehall College

All now accepting applications directly

Direct Employment

- ▶ Very strong labour market and little difficulty getting employment in any non-skilled/semi-skilled sectors with Leaving Cert alone
- ▶ Construction related work/apprenticeships are extremely strong and no problems getting apprenticeship with good LC
- ▶ Public Sector Jobs are also available
Garda/Army/Healthcare

What should my son have done by 18/12/23?

Made and completed CAO application online and received CAO application number.

Filled in HEAR form and made requests for additional info from yourselves (Tax, Social Welfare etc)

Filled in DARE form and requested additional documentation

All students will have made at least two PLC applications (Standard Practice for Chanel) by February 2023)

Your son will have guidance interview with me and attempted to complete career plan

All open/day visits and career talks are over for 6th years

Allowing choice is the key to successful completion of 3rd level course

Realism needed in terms of career & points potential

Disregard points for 2020/2021/ 2022 because of grade inflation

Mistakes made now cost time & money

What your Son should have done by 18/01/24

Complete CAO, have 10 Level 8 courses and 10 Level 6/7 courses inputted



Sent off ALL supporting documentation for HEAR/DARE



Forget about CAO completely until change of mind in May 2024

www.cao.ie

www.qualifax.ie

www.accesscollege.ie

www.studentfinance.ie

www.careersportal.ie

www.careerdirections.ie

www.prospects.ac.uk



Questions

