

Arklow CBS

Leaving Certificate

2026 - 2028



Leaving Certificate Subject Options

Core Subjects

- English – New course
- Irish
- Mathematics
- Physical Education
- Religion
- Career Guidance
- SPHE
- LCVP - Life, Community & Work

Optional Subjects

1. History – 20% Project
2. Geography – New 40% A.A.C.
3. French - 25% Oral 20% Aural
4. German - 25% Oral 20% Aural
5. Business – 40% A.A.C.
6. Accounting – 40% A.A.C
7. Biology – 40% A.A.C.
8. Physics
9. Chemistry
10. Ag-Science - 25% Project
11. Art - 20% Practical Exam 50% Course Work
12. Music - Composing Exam 25% + Aural 25% + Performance 50%
13. Construction Studies – New Course 50% A.A.C.
14. Design & Communication Graphics - 40% Project
15. Physical Education – new 50% A.A.C
– Exam Subject – 20% Project 30% Performance

Life, Community & Work (LCVP) – 60% A.A.C.

- **Key Changes to LCVP (Current & Incoming)**
- **Subject Flexibility:** No specific subject criteria requirement.
- **Assessment:** The new, redeveloped subjects, including the new vocational components, will feature increased assessment by the State Examinations Commission.
- **Goal:** The aim is to equip students with skills for the modern workplace and foster an entrepreneurial mindset.
- **Existing Benefits (Applicable to Current & New Programme)**
- **CAO Points:** A Distinction in the Link Modules is equivalent to a H4 (66 points) in the Leaving Certificate, while a Merit equals 46 points and a Pass equals 28 points.
- **Portfolio & Exam:** The assessment consists of a portfolio of coursework (60%) and a written exam (40%).

Tranche 2 – Sept. 2026

Minimum 40% A.A.C

- English
- Geography
- Construction Studies
- Physical Education
- Accounting
- Life, Community & Work (LCVP)

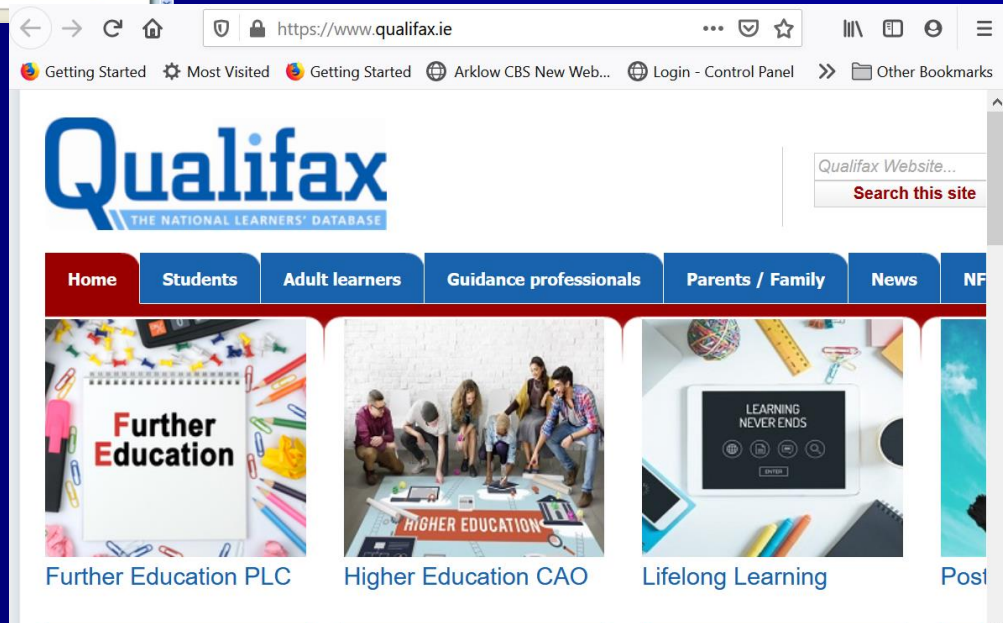
Advice

1. What subjects is your son most interested in?
2. Which subjects is he likely to do best in?
3. What subjects will he need?
4. Subjects will be filled on 1st Come 1st served
5. Option programme will put subjects into group to maximise student choice & offer subjects according to student preferences

Careers Portal.ie



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Subject Selection Process

Round 1

1. Order all 15 subjects in order of preference 1 to 15.

To do this, parents must login to Tyro, Information Request and complete your selection

The number of Subjects available will be reduced by a minimum of three.

Subject Selection Process

Round 2

1. Students select levels for English, Irish & Maths
2. Students will select 6 subjects from the reduced list of Optional Subjects available.
3. Subjects are placed in 4 blocks, each block will contain 3 subjects and each student will be offered their highest Preference in each Block
4. If a student does not have a subject in the block, we will let them know so they can make a different choice from the block.
5. Students will be informed and given a printout of the outcome of their subject selection. (We do our best to ensure that student get their first preferences but it is not always possible.)

Online Form



GENERAL



Attendance



Mail



Fees



Info requests

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MANAGEMENT



People



Students

Information requests

Q Search

Name

For

Due date ↑

Status

Test options



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Incomplete

Pre-Selection Round, Please select your subject choice in order of preference as the lowest 3 will be eliminated from the next round in you subject choice

Preference #1

Preference #2

Preference #3

Preference #4

Preference #5

Preference #6

Preference #7

Preference #8