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Leaving Certificate Class of 2022

Dear students, parents/guardians.

I would like to extend my best wishes to the leaving certificate class of 2022 on your leaving certificate results this Friday, September 2nd 2022. On behalf of the entire team at St. Augustine's College, I would like to wish you all the very best of luck on your leaving certificate results and also on your career endeavours. I hope you all have fond memories of your time at St. Augustine's College.

I am sure a lot of you have mixed emotions about your leaving certificate results and embarking on the next part of your educational/vocational journey in life. To assist you, on your decisions when the leaving certificate results are issued, we have compiled an information guide below to help you. Please be aware that you can contact us should you need help or advice regarding your results/offers. Ms Moore, the school guidance counsellor will be available to you, should you have a query/concern. Please contact the school at 058/41140 and ask for Ms Elaine Moore Guidance Counsellor or alternatively email guidance@staugustines.ie.

I would ask all students from the leaving certificate class of 2022 to read the information below carefully with a parent/guardian. This will ensure when results and offers are issued, you are aware of some important information. If you are in any doubt please contact us. Further details can also be found on the Department of Education and Skills website. https://2eb9ce2be976e255909a-

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Leaving Certificate Results Day

Results of the Leaving Certificate will issue directly to students through the student portal on Friday September 2nd 2022. Results will also issue simultaneously to LC students' school.

CAO Offers

The first round of CAO offers (Round 1) will be made available to applicants on-line from 2.00pm on September 8th. The reply date for accepting round one offers will be September 14th.

Successful Round 1 applicants will also receive an email notification. This Round 1 offer will contain the highest choice, for which the applicant has achieved the required number of points and entry requirements, from their 1-10 CAO application lists.

How to Access Your Leaving Certificate Results

Go to the Candidate Self Service Portal on Friday September 2nd to access your Leaving Certifictate Results.

You will need:

- 1. Examination Number
- 2. Student Portal Account Password
- 3. PPS Number

How to Calculate Your Leaving Certificate Points

Check out CareersPortal's Points Calculator on the link below which can be used to quickly convert your Leaving Certificate Grades into CAO Points. The online points calculators are designed to assist students in calculating their points very quickly and presents the results from the combination of their highest 6 subjects.Explore the Leaving Cert Points Calculator on the link below.

https://careersportal.ie/courses/calculator/pointsCalculator.html

What can I do if I am disappointed with my leaving certificate results, what supports are there?

You can contact the school guidance counsellor

Ms. Elaine Moore email <u>guidance@staugustines.i</u>e to schedule a 1:1 meeting. You may also phone the school at **058/41140.**

Alternatively you can avail of the National helpline support by ringing the National Parents Council's Leaving Certificate helpline **1800 265 165** where qualified guidance counsellors give advice and support to both students and their parents.

Most colleges will also offer a helpline service around this time. If contacting a college in relation to a CAO offer, ask to speak to the undergraduate admissions officer to assist you.

Remember - If a student is still struggling to cope, the School Guidance Counsellor, Ms. Elaine Moore and/or the School Principal, Mr. Michael O'Sullivan, child protection and safeguarding designated liaison person (DLP), will advise refering the student to a GP.

Second Chance Maths Exams



If a poor Leaving Certificate Maths result is the only thing preventing a student from getting an offer for a specific course, all hope is not lost. Some colleges host Alternative Maths exams. Students who failed to guarantee themselves a place on a particular course due to their Leaving Certificate Maths result may have a second opportunity to sit an alternative exam. Colleges are also facilitating Preparation Courses in order to assist students that have difficulty with Maths.

Accepting a College Place



When an offer arrives, students should read through the offer and instructions carefully first. To accept an offer, a student simply logs into the CAO system using their access code and password and submits their acceptance of the offer.

Closing dates for acceptance of Round One offers is 3pm on 14 September 2022.

If a student is unavailable to do this for any reason, they should designate a trusted family member to respond on their behalf.

Leaving Cert Appeals

Leaving Cert Appeals information for 2022 will be updated here when it is made available.

Deferring a College Place

If a student is offered the course they really wanted and worked towards, the offer is theirs to accept, defer or reject. They may wish to defer their place for any number of reasons. The most common reasons are: travel or gap year, family commitments, sports or other commitments, bereavement, health etc. In this case, they should contact the admissions office of the college in question and explain clearly their reasons for deferring. The college will then inform the CAO directly of the student's deferral. DO NOT contact CAO if looking to defer. In rare cases deferral may not prove possible.

Please ensure to contact the school if you need advice or support. On behalf of the entire team in St. Augustine's College we wish the class of 2022 the very best. I will leave you to reflect on the wise words of St. Augustine.

'the world is a book and those who do not travel only read one page'.

Wishing you all the best for the future. Remember life is a journey.

Kind regards Michael O'Sullivan Principal.