

5th Year Subject Options 2020

Microsoft Teams Video Conference Call 30th March 2020

Senior Cycle in MCS

- All students partake in the Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme (LCVP).
- This consists of the established Leaving Cert. with an added Link Modules component in which you will study the world of work, complete career investigations and also complete work experience placement.
- Link Modules are examined in 6th Year by recorded interview (March) and written examination (May)

lew Leaving Certificate Grades	New CAO Points (Higher / Ordinary level)
H1 / O1 (90% - 100%) H2 / O2 (80% - 89.9%)	100 / 56 88 / 46
H3 / O3 (70% - 79.9%)	77 / 37
H4 / O4 (60% - 69.9%)	66 😽
H5 / O5 (50% - 59.9%)	56 / 20
H6 / O6 (40% - 49.9%)	46 / 12
H7 / O7 (30% - 39.9%)	33 / 0
H8 / O8 (0% - 29.9%)	0

LCVP Subject Options

When choosing your Senior Cycle subjects you need to ensure you have subjects that meet the criteria of the following groupings for LCVP

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

Services Groupings

- 12 Engineering or Technology or Construction Studies or Design & Communication Graphics and Accounting or Business or Economics
- 13 Home Economics and Accounting or Business or Economics
- 14 Agricultural Science and Accounting or Business or Economics
- 15 Art Design or Craftwork Option and Accounting or Business or Economics
- 16 Music and Accounting or Business or Economics

Do I have to do French or German?

The simple answer to this is no! However:

- It is up to you to research whether you may need a Modern Foreign Language (MFL) such as French/German for any future college courses. Ms O'Leary can help you with any queries you may have in this regard, just email her at careers@millstreetcommunityschool.ie
- If you decide to do Construction Studies instead of MFL, you
 will do one 40 minute period per week of simple German (we
 refer to this as ab initio German). This is needed to satisfy
 the MFL condition of LCVP and is non-examinable.

Extra Subjects vs Withdrawal from Subjects

- Some students decide to study extra subject(s) outside of school for their Leaving Certificate.
- Please be aware that you will <u>not</u> be facilitated in dropping a school-based subject to take an extra subject outside of school in its place.
- There may be rare occasions and specific reasons when a student and their parents may wish to discuss withdrawal from participation in a subject with school management.
- If withdrawal from a subject is approved by management, please note that you will be required to remain in class, i.e. you will not be permitted to leave the class to study in another area of the school.

Choosing Your Subjects

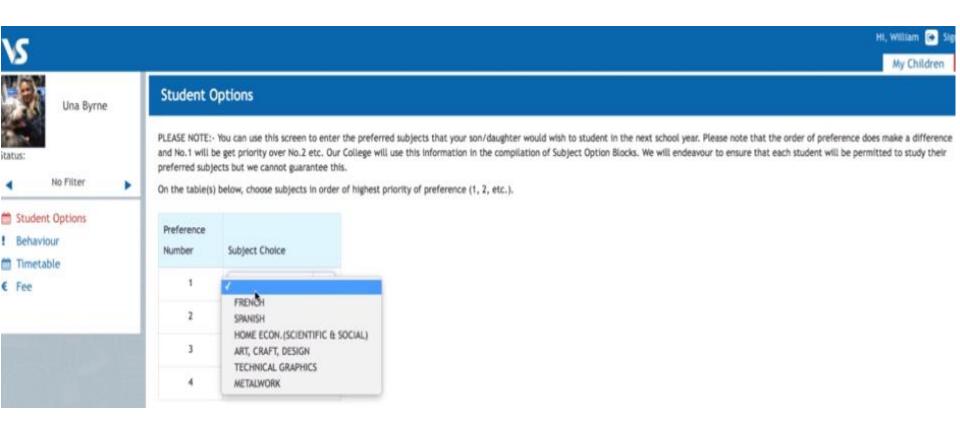
Subject choices need to be inputted through VSware...parents need to log in and on the main page you will see Student Options.



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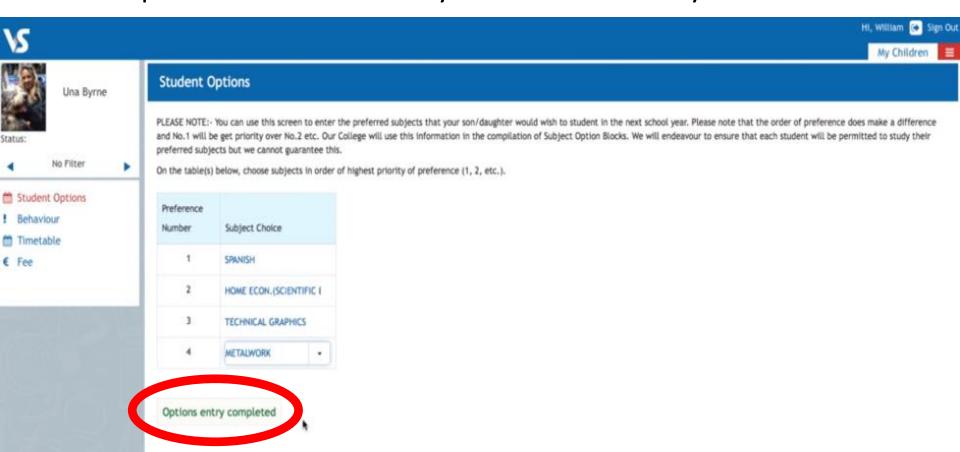
Choose subjects in Pool 1 and Pool 2.

Pool 1 is general options. Pool 2 is MFL or Construction Studies.



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Once you have completed your selections, you will see a message stating 'Options Entry Completed'. You can change subjects or your order of preference as often as you wish until Friday



Some Considerations:

Careful, Considered Choice:

- Your order of preference is crucial. There are no predetermined option blocks...they will be decided by the choices you make.
- While many of you will receive options 1, 2 and 3, it is inevitable that some of you will receive option 4 or option 5.
- There will be a two-week grace period in September during which you may move to another subject within the same option block. Moving between option blocks is not possible.

Some Considerations:

Be Selfish:

- This is your future. Subjects your friends are picking, or the order in which they are picking them, may not necessarily suit you...
- If you absolutely need a subject for a third level course, possible future employment or even because you really like it, pick that subject as No.1
- Please email us with any questions you have.
- If you are having difficulty with inputting your subject choices, contact the school office (we have our calls diverted to a mobile phone for the duration of the closure)

Contact Details for Questions:

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