

The **Reach+ Career and College Preparation Programme** is a blended Career Guidance Programme for Senior Cycle Students from TY to 6th Year delivered by the school Guidance Counsellor. The programme encourages independent research and can help support your son or daughter in making informed career decisions through understanding themselves, the world of education and the world of work. They will create a Career Portfolio which will contain all their career and course research and this can be assessed anytime from any wi-fi enabled device. This portfolio can be shared with you and with their Guidance Counsellor.



Some of the key features of the programme include:



Self-Assessments – Interest Profiler, Personality Quiz, Multiple Intelligences, Career Values etc.



Study Skills – Questionnaire, Action Planner, Learning Styles, and helpful videos.



Setting Exam Targets – this allows students take ownership of their target grades in each subject and use these to help calculate their CAO Points.



CAO & PLC Choices – An engaging and systematic approach to researching and evaluating courses in preparation for CAO and PLC applications.



Courses by Sector – Use the interactive **World of Work Wheel** to search CAO, PLC and Apprenticeship Courses across 33 different career sectors.



Apprenticeships - Become familiar with the varying apprenticeships on offer (craft and non-craft) including entry requirements, videos, latest news, and FAQs



CAO Calculator – User friendly tool to calculate or estimate your Leaving Cert CAO points quickly with clarity.



Career Research – 1,000+ occupations profiled, detailed info including tasks & activities, entry pathways, job suitability, salary info & links to live jobs.



Money Matters – Estimate the cost of going to college in this handy online calculator.



Events Calendar – keep an eye on dates for auditions, open days, CAO Key Dates etc.



Disability – understand how different disabilities can present themselves and the supports available.



Messaging – Students can receive messages directly from Guidance Counsellor to their Career File.



File Management Area to store & save all career related files, CV's, Personal Statements, Applications etc., can be shared with Guidance Counsellor.



Guidance Appointments Students can request an appointment (in person or by video) with their Guidance Counsellor through their own Career File.



The **Favourite** section of the programme promotes independent research and allows students store their favourite courses and careers in one place.



The **My Portfolio** section contains a comprehensive report of the entire work completed by students on the Reach+ Programme from TY right through to 6th year.



Ease of Access: Can be accessed from any smart phone/tablet/laptop/desktop device.



The programme plays an important part in supporting the **development of digital literacy.**