



THE DUBLIN
ACADEMY OF
EDUCATION

Leaving Certificate Results & CAO Offers Guide 2025

What's
Next?



A Message from Kay, Guidance Counsellor at The Academy

The very best of luck to the class of 2025 with their Leaving Cert results. Hopefully, most students will be happy with their results, but if things don't go as planned for some, once you have taken time to process your feelings and get the support you may need, take comfort in the knowledge that there are many alternative pathways available and you are not defined by one set of exam results.

If you can't find the info you need in this guide or at the resources linked, contact your guidance counsellor and they will point you in the right direction.

Kay Lynch.



Accessing Leaving Cert Results

To access LC results, login to the Student Portal at <https://www.examinations.ie/cssp/2025/> from 10:00am, Friday August 22nd.

Students will need:

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**Examination
Number**

2

**Student Portal
Account Password**

NB: If you are an external candidate (all Dublin Academy of Education students are considered external candidates), the State Examinations Commission should have emailed you in recent weeks to register for the Candidate Self-Service Portal. During registration, you will have created your own password.

If you have not received this email, contact the Candidate Self-Service Portal team by email at candidateportal@examinations.ie

EXAM RESULTS

Important Links for Frequently Asked Questions





CAO FAQ's
[Click here](#)



Candidate Self
Service Portal
[Click here](#)



Guide to LC Results,
CAO Offers & Next Steps
[Click here](#)

 Leaving Certificate Helpline - Call or Text - **1800 265 165** 

Key Dates CAO Offers

CAO Round Two

Offer: Sept 8th 2:00pm
Reply Deadline:
Sept 10th 3:00pm

CAO Round Four

Offer: Sept 23rd 10:00am
Reply Deadline:
Sept 25th 3:00pm

CAO Round One

Offer: Aug 27th 2:00pm
Reply Deadline:
Sept 2nd 3:00pm

CAO Round Three

Offer: Sept 16th 10:00am
Reply Deadline:
Sept 18th 3:00pm

CAO Round Five

Offer: Sept 30th 10:00am
Reply Deadline:
Oct 2nd 3:00pm

Viewing Exam Scripts & Appealing Results

(Through Candidate
Self Service Portal)
[https://www.examinations.ie/cs
sp/2025/](https://www.examinations.ie/cs/sp/2025/)



View Exam Marks

Aug 26th 12:00pm



Apply to View Scripts

Aug 26th 5:00pm - Aug 27th 8:00pm



Viewing Manually Marked Scripts

Aug 30th 9:30am-12:30pm; 2:00pm - 5:00pm (in school)



Viewing Online Marked Scripts

Aug 30th 9:00am - Aug 31st 9:00am (most subjects)



Application to Appeal (€40 per script)


Aug 31st 10:00am - Sept 1st 5:00pm



Appeal Results

Sept 26th 11:00am (provisional)

How to Decide Whether to Appeal a Leaving Certificate Grade

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- A male teacher in a dark shirt is leaning over a desk, looking at a document. He is holding a red marker. In the background, a student is visible at another desk.
- Start by reviewing your marks carefully.
 - If a mark seems unfair and you're not satisfied with your Round 1 CAO offer, consider applying to view your script.
 - Where possible, ask your teacher to review your script with you - they are best placed to advise on whether an appeal is worthwhile.
 - Keep in mind that an appeal can lead to a higher or lower grade.

NB: All Leaving Cert papers, bar Computer Science and some non-curricular languages, can be viewed online – when you are applying to view scripts, you will be told whether you can view online or in school.

Frequently Requested Information

Accepting a CAO Offer

- ✓ Log into your CAO account using your original login details and submit acceptance of the offer.
- ✓ Be sure to do this before the reply date deadline.

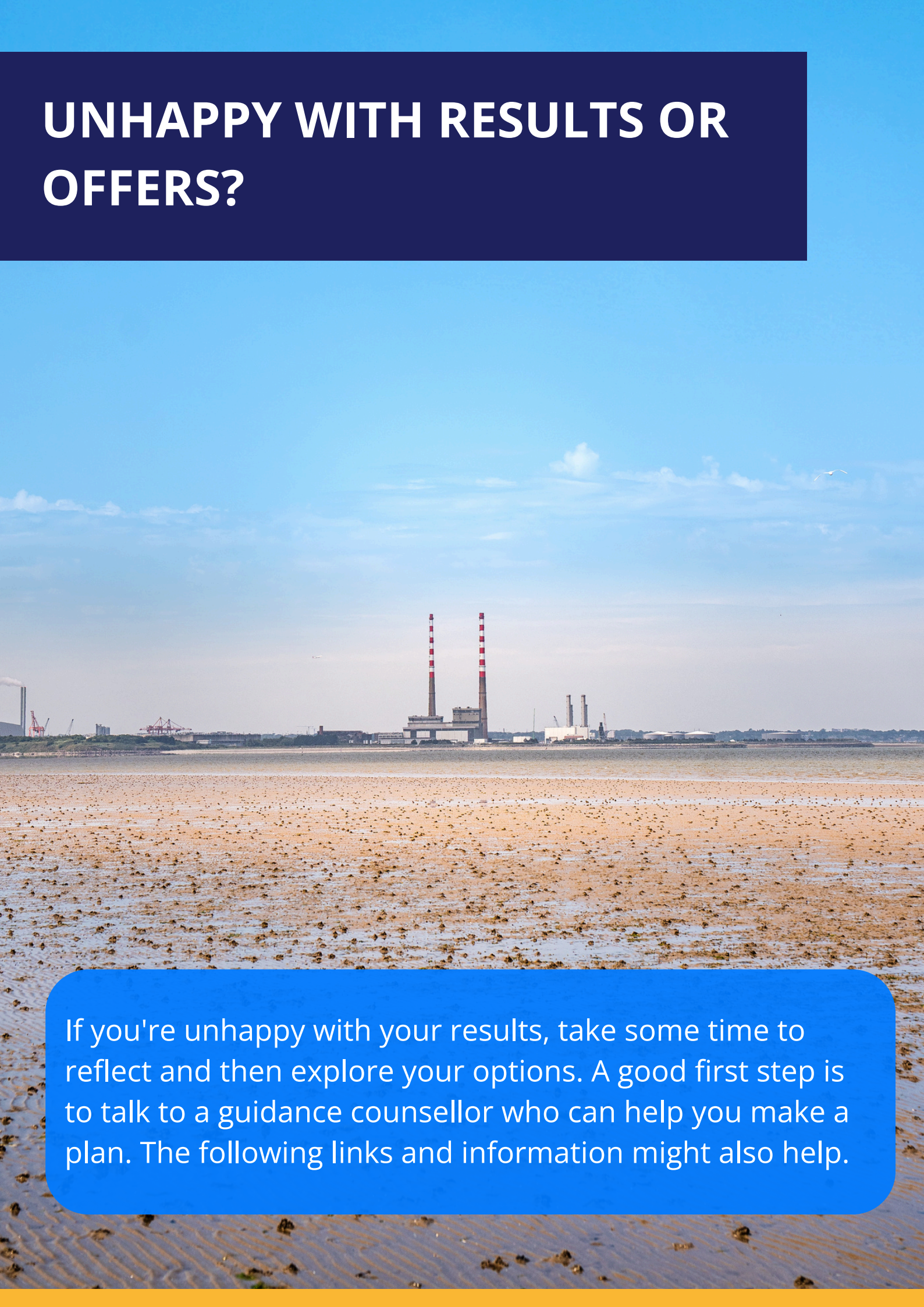
Deferring a CAO Offer

- ✓ DO NOT accept your CAO offer.
- ✓ Email the admissions office of the university.
- ✓ Put 'Deferred Entry' in the subject line.
- ✓ Quote your CAO application number and course code.
- ✓ Set out the reason(s) for the request.
- ✓ The deferral request email must arrive at least two days before the 'Reply Date' shown on the Offer Notice.

Remember!

- A student may receive two offers in the same round - one from their Level 6/7 list and one from their Level 8 list. Only one offer can be accepted per round.
- In subsequent rounds, a student may be offered a course that is higher up on their CAO application than their first-round offer, but they will never be offered a course that is lower on their CAO application than their first-round offer.
- Think carefully before declining an offer. It is better to accept a first-round offer, as there is no guarantee you will receive a better offer in subsequent rounds. It is better to keep all options open for as long as possible.

UNHAPPY WITH RESULTS OR OFFERS?



If you're unhappy with your results, take some time to reflect and then explore your options. A good first step is to talk to a guidance counsellor who can help you make a plan. The following links and information might also help.

Further Resources and Links

- ✓ <https://careersportal.ie/leaving-cert-results-whats-next/other-options-outside-cao>
- ✓ Available Places through CAO.ie from August 28th 12:00pm. If any new courses opened for application after the CAO Change of Mind deadline in July, or if any places remain unfilled in particular courses after all offers have been made, these places will be advertised at the link, and students can apply once they meet minimum entry requirements.
- ✓ https://www.cao.ie/courses/vpl_courses.php
- ✓ Post Leaving Cert (PLC) courses – QQI Level 5 courses – 1 year course that could lead to your preferred degree next year.
- ✓ <https://careersportal.ie/leaving-cert-results-whats-next/other-options-outside-cao>
- ✓ Level 6/7 options through the CAO application.

Further Resources and Links Continued

- ✓ Do a degree in a private college – Dublin Business School, Griffith College, etc.
- ✓ Repeat Leaving Cert:
<https://careersportal.ie/leaving-cert-results-whats-next/repeating-the-leaving-cert>
- ✓ Apprenticeship: <https://apprenticeship.ie/> for more information.
- ✓ A degree course in Europe - some courses still accepting applications:
<https://eunicas.ie/news/applications-still-open-for-programmes-in-europe/>
- ✓ UCAS Clearing (UK and Northern Ireland Courses):
[click here.](#)
- ✓ Alternative Maths Exam – some colleges offer an exam for students who did not get offered a place in their preferred course because of their Maths grade:
<https://careersportal.ie/leaving-cert-results-whats-next/second-chance-maths-exams>



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