

Rannóg Pholasáí, Cháilíochtaí,
Cu Churaclaim agus Mheasúnachta,
An Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta,
Bloc 2 (Bunurlár),
Sráid Maoilbhríde,
Baile Átha Cliath 1



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To: The Principal of the school named on the cover

Survey of Schools offering Junior Certificate Technology

The three Leaving Certificate technologies subjects - Construction Studies, Engineering and Technical Drawing - have been revised by the National Council for Curriculum and Assessment (NCCA). Following these revisions, Construction Studies subject will be called *Architectural Technology*, Engineering subject will be called *Engineering Technology* and Technical Drawing subject will be called *Design and Communication Graphics*. A new Leaving Certificate syllabus for Technology has also been developed.

Two of these subjects - *Design and Communication Graphics* and *Technology* - will be introduced in schools in September 2007 for examination for the first time in June 2009. (The syllabuses have been published on the Web and may be accessed at www.education.ie > Curriculum).

Please find attached a survey form pertaining to the current provision of Junior Certificate Technology in your school. The objective of this survey is to ascertain information on the current level of facilities in your school with respect to Junior Certificate Technology, along with your school's intentions with regard to the possible introduction and take up of the new Leaving Certificate Technology subject. This information is necessary to plan for upgrading of equipment and facilities and also to plan for teacher professional development.

You are asked to complete this survey form, in collaboration with the relevant teaching staff, and ensure that it is returned to the **Qualifications, Curriculum and Assessment Policy Unit, Department of Education and Science, Marlborough St., Dublin 1** to arrive no later than **26th May 2006**. ([download form](#))

A separate notification will issue to schools detailing the application process to be followed with regard to the introduction of Leaving Certificate Technology into the school curriculum.

Please note that the Leaving Certificate Technologies Support Service plan to undertake a more detailed survey of teacher training needs before the implementation of new/revised syllabi in the technologies subject areas.

Any queries regarding this survey may be directed to the Qualifications, Curriculum & Assessment Policy Unit - Tel. 01 - 8095020.

Margaret Kelly
Principal Officer

3rd May 2006

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