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To the Principals and Boards of Management of Second Level Schools and Chief Executives of ETBs

Minor adjustment to the Leaving Certificate Chemistry Syllabus

Introduction

One of the aims of the Leaving Certificate Chemistry syllabus is to encourage an appreciation of the economic aspects of chemistry. A minor adjustment is being made to the Leaving Certificate Chemistry syllabus to ensure that students can be given a realistic and up-to-date overview of the chemical industry in Ireland and globally.

These adjustments are effective from September 2016 for all students who will sit the Leaving Certificate Chemistry examination in 2018 and thereafter.

Leaving Certificate Chemistry Syllabus adjustments

The word ‘Irish’ that occurs twice on page 28 and twice more on page 66 of the Chemistry syllabus is to be deleted. Precise details of these changes are provided in the appendix.

General

Please bring this circular to the attention of all teachers of Chemistry in the school and also provide a copy to members of the school board of management.

This circular may also be accessed at www.education.ie.

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26th October 2016
Appendix

Details of adjustments to the Leaving Certificate Chemistry Syllabus

Page 28:  Current Content
IA.2 Case Study:  Depth of Treatment:  A case study based on the Irish chemical industry.

Page 28:  Adjusted Content:  Effective from September 2016 for all students who will sit the Leaving Certificate Chemistry examination in 2018 and thereafter:
IA.2 Case Study:  Depth of Treatment:  A case study based on the chemical industry.

Page 28:  Current Content
IA.2 Case Study:  Social and Applied Aspects:  Awareness of the range of scope of the Irish chemical industry (two examples of products produced by this industry, other than those referred to in the case study chosen).

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