



Transition Year Programme

De La Salle College Waterford

History of Transition Year



- Introduced in 1973
- TY programme in D.L.S. since 1995
- Approx. 25,000 students currently in TY
- Offered in 70% of Post primary schools
- Certified by Department of Education

What is Transition Year?



- Transition Year is a one year programme which provides a bridge to enable students make the transition from Junior to Senior cycle.
- It encourages personal and social development and recognises the need for students to grow in independence.

TY Mission



“To promote the personal, social, educational and academic development of pupils and to prepare them for their role as autonomous, participative and responsible member of society”.

Aims



Transition Year in De La Salle college aims:

- To give students opportunities to discover and develop their own individual gifts and strengths.
- To assist each individual to develop himself as a person.
- To help students become a more independent learner.
- To help students prepare for adult life.

TY Subjects



- English
- Irish
- Maths
- French or German
- Science
- Enterprise
- Leisure Studies
- Religion
- Careers
- I.T.
- Choir
- Art
- History and Geography
- Drama
- Youth Leadership
- Construction Studies
- C.A.D.
- Music
- Home Economics
- Sociology
- Life Skills

Transition Year Benefits



- Transition Year can help students:
- Discover more about their personal strengths
- Develop maturity and self-confidence
- Improve their self-esteem
- Build interpersonal and team skills
- Make wiser subject choices for Leaving Certificate and further education
- Extend the learning experience beyond the classroom

Transition Year Benefits



- Catch up with remediation and compensation
- Develop study skills for Leaving Certificate
- Develop entrepreneurial skills
- Explore the working world
- Extend the repertoire of learning styles
- Achieve improved Leaving Certificate results

Work Experience



- Three weeks in total
- Two sessions of two weeks each
- Helps job search skills
- Structured programme
- Close link with school and employers
- Co-operating workers
- Diary, evaluation and reports

Who does it suit?



- The ideal student:
- Will want to take part in Transition Year themselves
- Be willing to participate and get involved in a wide range of subjects and activities
- Be capable of accepting responsibility
- Have a positive open attitude