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Dear Parent/Guardian

As you have probably heard, the Minister for Education and Skills Joe McHugh T.D. on Friday 8th May, announced the postponement of the 2020 Leaving Certificate.

Following a decision at Cabinet, all students are to be offered the option of receiving Calculated Grades for the subjects they are studying and the alternative of sitting the 2020 Leaving Certificate examinations at a date in the future when it is considered safe to hold the examinations.

The decision has been taken following an assessment of public health advice and other information and the implications for holding the exams from the previously rescheduled date of Wednesday 29th July 2020.

Following this announcement the following steps will apply:

- **The School and all its staff will fully appraise themselves of the details set out in the guideline document.**
- **Senior Cycle (6th years) - Ms Mulligan will host an online Assembly on Wednesday at 12pm for all LC Students. We encourage 6th years to engage in our Virtual online sports day on Friday May 15th.**
- **The school's Guidance & Counselling services will still be available as required.**
- **Students will be able to access the school to return books and recover locker contents at a later date. Further advice will be given around this.**

We have advised teachers **NOT** to engage in any communication with students or parents until further notice. This is in no way to upset or cause additional anxiety, it is to protect the integrity of the system proposed and avoid any potential issues. I would ask that you do not contact teachers until we meet as a staff.

For further information see our website

<https://www.ocarolancollege.ie/index.php/leaving-certificate-2020>

Stay safe and well

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Cathal Rogers'.

Principal