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What is Youthreach?

Youthreach is a Department of Education and Skills official education, training and work experience programme for early school leavers aged 15-20, providing them with opportunities to acquire certification through QQI accredited courses or to complete Junior or Leaving Certificate and Leaving Certificate Applied programmes. Youthreach focuses on the holistic development of the individual within a learning environment which is safe, structured, challenging, student-centred and participant-led. The curriculum is varied, (academic and non-academic subjects), and integrated across modules enabling the individual to develop their personal, social and civic skills in a supportive and caring environment, increasing their self-esteem while achieving certification allowing progression into work, college and/or apprenticeships. It promotes independence, personal autonomy, active citizenship and helps create a pattern of lifelong learning.



“In Youthreach every day is different. You have activities once or twice a week; it’s a choice subject so you can choose to do it or not.” - Diana

“My memories from Youthreach are meeting new people that I would never have seen before and getting along with the staff and developing my practical and personal skills.” - Sarah

“In Youthreach I learned how to apply my skills and work to the best of my ability. While at Youthreach I made some amazing friends and met some great teachers who cared about their job and their students.” - Shauna



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See what our students have to say about Youthreach -

"I went to Youthreach to get my QQI Level 4, because school wasn't working out for me. It gave me a sense of responsibility and made me more outgoing. The teachers were great, I found that they were not like teachers I had previously met in school and I think this was because teachers in schools deal with 100's of students whereas in Youthreach there might be 20-25 students in a centre, meaning teachers in Youthreach got to know students a lot better and listened to what they said.

We did lots of interesting subjects, including gardening and graphic design. I did things in Youthreach I probably would never have done anywhere else and have lots of great memories.

We did a GAISCE overnight trip to Carlingford and one of the best memories I have from Youthreach was the BBQ we had before summer break. When leaving Youthreach I was helped to prepare for what comes next such as making my curriculum vitae and learning interview skills.

I used the skills I had learned to apply for jobs and referred to Youthreach in many of my early interviews as a great stepping stone in my life. I would definitely recommend Youthreach to others it was a great experience and very educational and if I hadn't have gone to Youthreach I probably wouldn't be working now!" -Eric



"I came to Youthreach for a second chance at education. There are many different things we do in Youthreach, a few examples would be GAISCE, Catering, Gardening and Health Related Fitness. Skills I gained in Youthreach are typing, communication and IT skills. Youthreach has helped me learn things like maths, building my CV and catering. When I leave I hope to start working." - Aaron



RÁITEAS MISIN/MISSION STATEMENT

Cuireann Ógtheagh máil Bhaile Brigín clár oideachais ar ard-chaighdeán ar fáil do dhaoine i gcomhthéacs foghlamtha dearfach, áit a bhfuil daoine le dul ar aghaidh ar oideachas eile, traenáil, nó fostaíocht.

Youthreach Balbriggan provides a quality education programme for young people in a positive learning environment, where individuals are supported to progress onto further education/training/employment.

You can learn more about Youthreach Balbriggan directly on our website or by watching our profile video, simply scan the QR Code with your phone!



- PROGRAMME OFFERED -

QQI LEVEL 2	Read it Right • Write it Right Hear What They Say, Say what You Mean More Than Words • Numbers Count • IT & Me
QQI LEVEL 3 General Learning	Communications • Mathematics Personal & Interpersonal Skills Computer Literacy • Art and Design Outdoor Vegetable Crop Production Career Preparation • Culinary Operations Digital Photography
QQI LEVEL 4 General Learning	Communications • Personal & Interpersonal Skills Mathematics • Work Experience Information Technology Skills • Horticultural Science Customer Service • Graphic Design Computer Applications • Health Related Fitness
QQI LEVEL 5 General Learning	Communications • Work Experience Customer Service • Word Processing
NON-CERTIFIED	SPHE • Instrumental Enrichment • Youth Club Visits Language, Literacy & Numeracy support ESOL Support • Various Personal Development and Life Skills
CERTIFIED	First Aid, Manual Handling, FIT, Basic Food Safety

Education & Training Options-



“Believe in yourself. You are braver than you think., more talented than you know and capable of more than you imagine.” - Roy T. Bennett

“If you believe it will work out, you’ll see opportunities. If you believe it won’t, you will see obstacles” - Wayne Dyer

“Believe you can and you are halfway there” - Theodore Roosevelt

“Hardships often prepare ordinary people for an extraordinary destiny” - C.S. Lewis

“Start by doing what’s necessary; then do what’s possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible” - Francis of Assisi



Find a Youthreach course and apply online through NAYC.ie, Fetchcourses.ie or DDLETB.ie

Disclaimer: The graph above provides a simplified view of the key education and training options available to people in Ireland as of August 2017.



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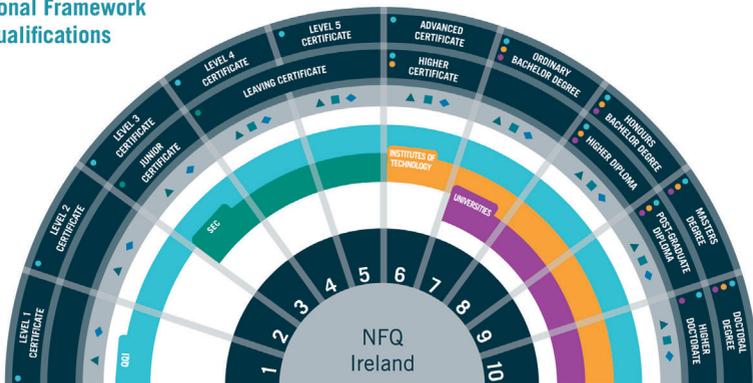
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AWARDING BODIES

- Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI) makes awards in further and higher education and training
- SEC - State Examinations Commission (Department of Education and Skills)
- Institutes of Technology
- Universities

AWARDS IN THE FRAMEWORK

There are four classes of award in the National Framework of Qualifications:

- Major Awards: named in the outer rings, are the principal class of awards made at a level
- Minor Awards: are for partial completion of the outcomes for a Major Award
- Supplemental Awards: are for learning that is additional to a Major Award
- Special Purpose Awards: are for relatively narrow or purpose-specific achievement

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