

To Each County Registrar/Returning Officer

7th May 2009

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to advise you that the date of the European, Local and By Elections, Friday 5th June 2009 coincides with the holding of certain examinations in the Leaving Certificate, Leaving Certificate Applied and Junior Certificate.

The specific examinations that are being held during the week of the election are as follows:

Wednesday 3rd June 2009

<i>Leaving Certificate:</i>	9.30 – 12.20	English
	2.00 – 4.30	Home Economics
	2.00 – 5.00	Ancient Greek (Non Curricular)
	2.00 – 5.00	Modern Greek (Non Curricular)
	2.00 – 5.00	Danish (Non Curricular)
<i>Leaving Certificate Applied:</i>	9.45 – 11.45	English & Communications
	2.00 – 4.00	Social Education
<i>Junior Certificate:</i>	9.30 – 12.00	English
	2.00 – 4.00	English

Thursday 4th June 2009

<i>Leaving Certificate:</i>	9.30 – 12.50	English
	2.00 – 5.00	Engineering
	2.00 – 5.00	Hebrew (Non Curricular)
	2.00 – 5.00	Czech (Non Curricular)
<i>Leaving Certificate Applied:</i>	9.30 – 10.30	Gaeilge Chumarsaideach
	9.30 – 12.30	Sign Language
	2.00 – 4.00	Sign Language
	2.00 – 3.00	French/German/Spanish/Italian
<i>Junior Certificate:</i>	9.30 – 12.00	Mathematics
	2.00 – 4.15	Irish

Friday 5th June 2009

<i>Leaving Certificate:</i>	9.30 – 12.00	Mathematics
	2.00 – 4.50	Geography
<i>Leaving Certificate Applied:</i>	9.30 – 11.30	Mathematics
	2.00 – 3.30	Hotel Catering & Tourism
<i>Junior Certificate:</i>	9.30 – 12.15	Irish
	2.00 – 4.00	Geography
	2.00 – 4.00	Environmental & Social Studies

These examinations will be taking place in second-level schools throughout the country. I would be grateful if you would draw this information to the attention of election candidates in your area.

It would be greatly appreciated if election candidates and others involved in the process were aware of the best interests of students at examination time, particularly in respect of the need for sensitivity and consideration when making amplified public announcements or otherwise.

If you have any queries in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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