

HOME ECONOMICS

ST TIERNAN'S COMMUNITY SCHOOL



THE CENTRAL FOCUS OF HOME ECONOMICS AS A FIELD OF STUDY IS ACHIEVING OPTIMAL, HEALTHY AND SUSTAINABLE LIVING FOR INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES AND SOCIETY.

Home Economics has a direct relevance to the present and future life of every young person. It is a subject through which students learn how to take care of themselves, others, their home, and their environment.

Individuals and families in every society are continually faced with new and emergent issues that can impact on their wellbeing. Such issues include concerns relating to food, nutrition, diet and health; family and social concerns; consumer issues; sustainability in the home; responsible family resource management; and textiles and clothing.

In Home Economics, students learn how to address these practical, real-world, perennial problems of individuals, families, households and society in socially responsible ways. Practical perennial problems or concerns are endured from generation to generation by families and require critical decision-making skills to resolve them.



SKILLS FOR LIFE



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JUNIOR CYCLE

Composed of three strands:

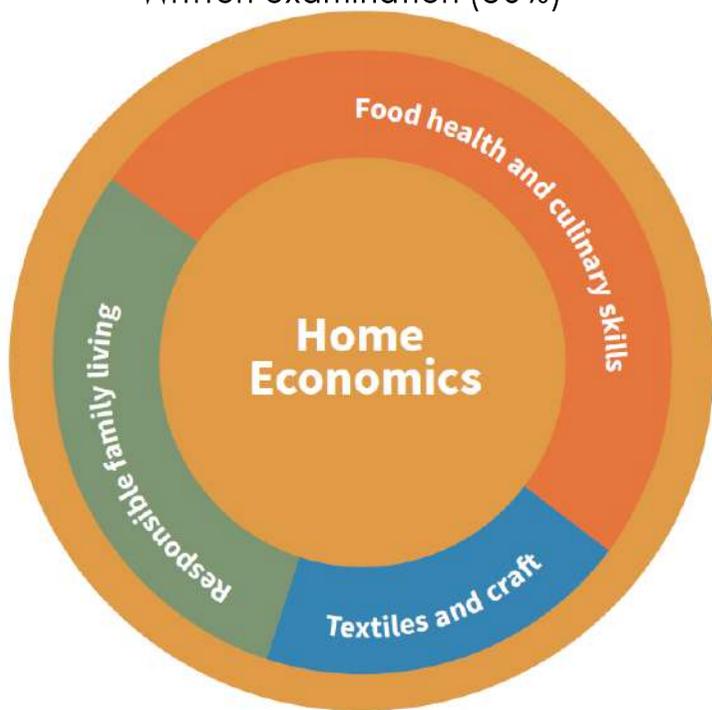
1. Food health and culinary skills
2. Responsible Family Living
3. Textiles and crafts

Assessment in Junior Cycle

Home Economics:

CBA 1: Creative Textiles

CBA 2: Food Literacy Skills brief
and Practical Food Skills
Examination (50%)
Written examination (50%)



LEAVING CERT APPLIED

The Hotel, Catering and Tourism course reflects the overall philosophy of the Leaving Certificate Applied Programme by helping students develop competencies of a broad personal and vocational nature.

Emphasis is placed on social inclusion, teamwork, quality consciousness, interpersonal skills, creativity and dexterity.

Progression opportunities for interested students to the Hotel Catering & Tourism industry are available through a number of routes e.g. Post-Leaving Certificate Courses, CERT Basic Skills, full-time training programmes or directly into local employment opportunities.

Modules Include:

Eating Out the Fast Food Way
Irish Hospitality
Eating Out - Hotels, Restaurants and Institutions
Catering for Diversity

SENIOR CYCLE

The Home Economics syllabus provides students with knowledge, understanding, skills and attitudes necessary for managing their own lives, for further and higher education and work.

The learning experiences in home economics develop flexibility and adaptability in students, prepare them for a consumer-oriented society and provide a learning foundation for a wide range of careers in food, textiles, science, design, social studies and tourism.

Content:

Food studies
Resource management and consumer studies
Social studies
Elective Module

Assessment in Senior Cycle Home Economics:

Written Exam (80%)
Journal Assignment booklet (20%)