Getting To Know the disAbility Service

Trinity College Dublin

Trinity disAbility Hub

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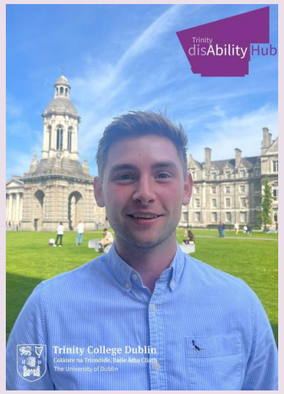
What is the Disability Service?

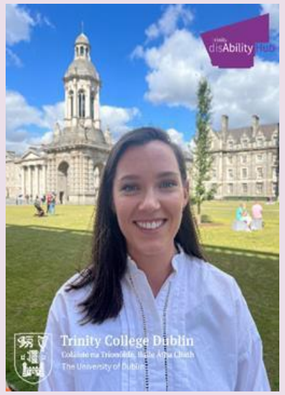
The Disability Service is a team of experienced individuals who work to support disabled students attending Trinity College.

Occupational Therapists.

- Assistive Technology Officer.
- Disability Officers.
- Academic support specialists.
- Administrative Staff.

Staff Introductions





How do I apply for Reasonable Accommodations?

- Log into **my.tcd.ie** using your student number and password.
- Click on the **My Disability Service** tab.
- Click on **Reasonable Accommodations Application.**
- Select your **primary and secondary disability.**
- Choose **Yes** or **No** to receiving exam accommodations.
- Upload **evidence of disability.**

https://www.tcd.ie/disability/current/RAApplication.php

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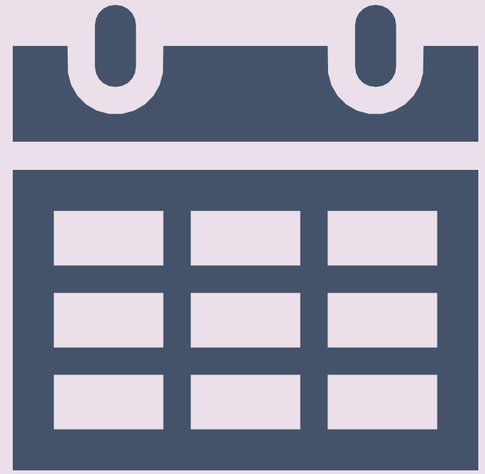
What should I expect from my Needs Assessment?

- You will **get to know your Disability Officer.** They will be your Point of Contact in the Service.
- Discuss **supports** that will **help you succeed** in college.
- Explore **course demands.**
- Review **Exam Accommodations**
- Meetings last around **40 minutes** and can take place online or in-person.
- Following the Needs Assessment, the student's Disability Officer will prepare an individual Learning Educational Needs Summary **(LENS)** Report. The LENS Report details the Reasonable Accommodations to be implemented.

Deadline to apply for Exam Accommodations for Term 1



October 25th

What Can the Disability Service Help Me With?

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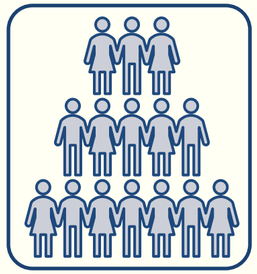
Doing Exams

Additional Time

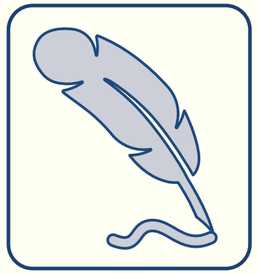


Different Venue Options

Assistive Technology

Managing my Workload and Deadlines

Occupational Therapy

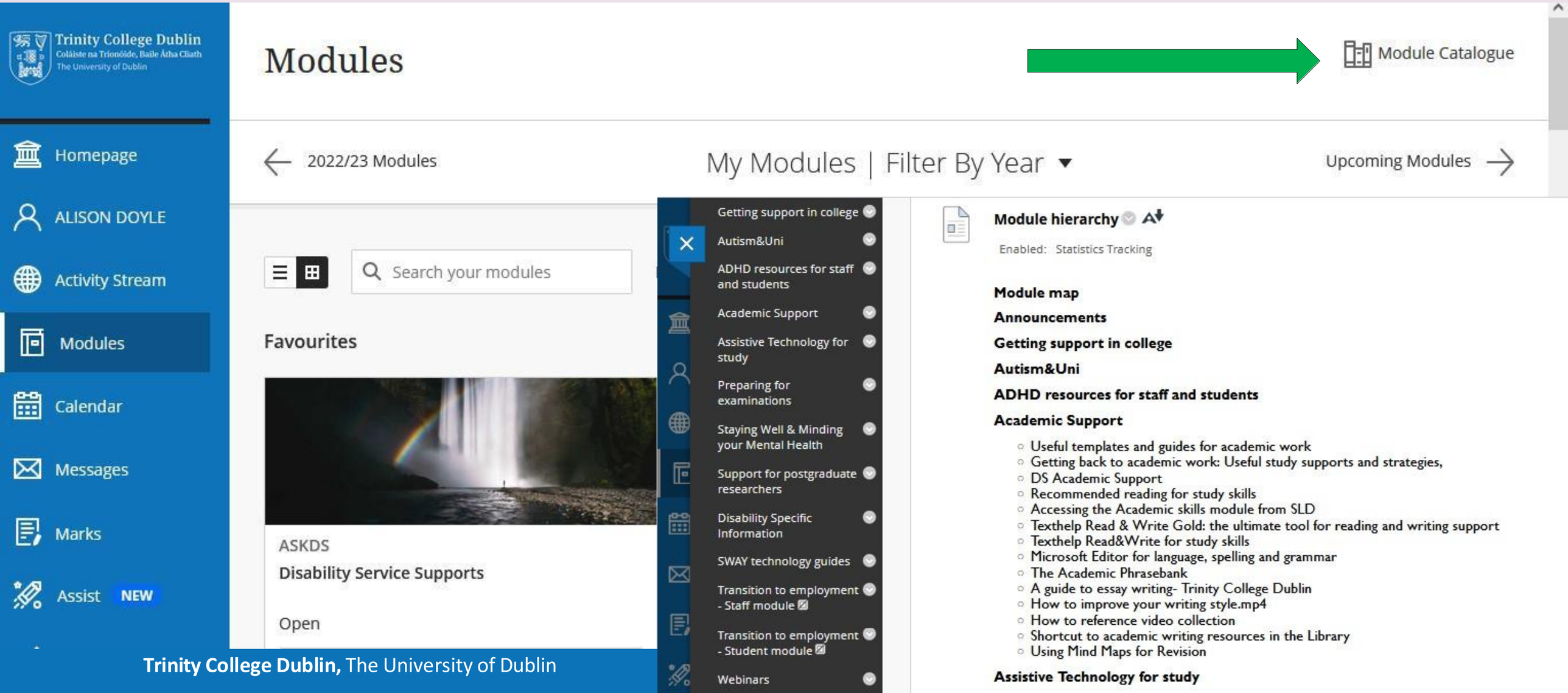


Academic Support

ASKDS Module

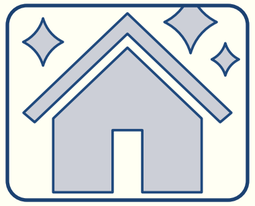
ASKDS Blackboard module

search for 'disability services' in module catalogue

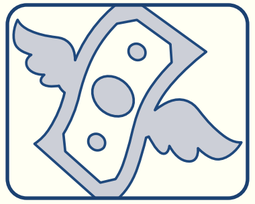


Managing my Environment

TCD Sense



Additional Needs Accommodation Application



1916 Bursary

Safe Zone

Managing my Environment - TCD Sense

Let's Use the TCD Sense Map Together!

1916 Bursary

The purpose of the 1916 Bursary is to encourage participation and success by students who are most socio-economically disadvantaged and who are from groups most underrepresented in higher education.

First time entrant, SUSI special rate

The closing date for applications is Thursday, 10th October 2024 at 5pm.

Scan to read student stories!

The 1916 Bursary

Supporting your third level journey

Three financial awards

1. €5,000 per annum
2. €2,000 per annum
3. €1,500 once-off award

Find out if you qualify
visit: www.1916bursary.ie

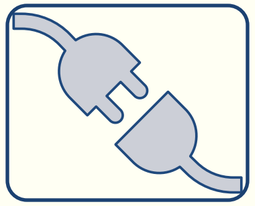
PATH
Programme for Access to Higher Education

SafeZone

- SafeZone is a safety and security app for Trinity campus.
- It features an emergency support button.
- The Disability Service closed group allows the College to notify you of any urgent accessibility updates through push notification.
- The app is available on the Apple App Store or Google Play.
- Please discuss joining the Closed Group for Disabled Students with your Disability Officer
- The Disability Service have fall alerters that students can borrow. Please request one from your Disability Officer

Looking After Myself In College

Occupational Therapy



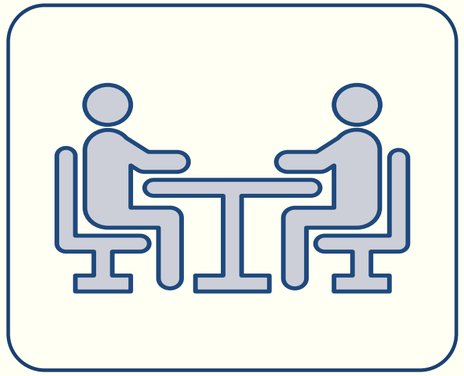
Social Work and Case Management

Other Supports – Student Counselling and College Health

ADHD Clinic

Placement and Career Supports

PLENS report and placement planning



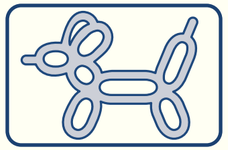
Disability Internships

Meeting Other Students

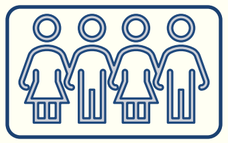
ADHD Peer Support Group

Autism Peer Support Group

Cookery 101



Creative Gym

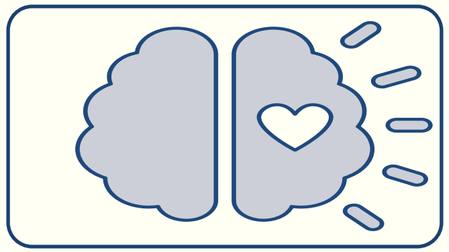


Empowering Voices: Workshops for Trans Students

Body Doubling

Meeting Other Students

Trinity Ability Co-Op



Neurodiversity Society (DUNeS)

Cáirdeas Community Choir

Ability Co_Op

Who we are

Our Mission Statement

The Ability Co_Op is a student-led disability advocacy group on the Trinity Campus. We demand radical inclusion through the provision of reasonable accommodations, accessible facilities, and conscious inclusion which affirms the dignity of all students on campus.

We aim to achieve status as a Disabled Persons' Organisation in the near future, which will boost our role in the university under the newly-ratified United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

Meet the Committee

Trinity Ability co_op

CHAIR PERSON

Amy O'Keeffe she/her

SECRETARY

Lucy Chioma

PRO

Isabella Cascella

LIASON OFFICER

Ciara O'Brien

OCM

Audrey Steinier they/them

OCM

Abby McCann she/her

OCM

Lillian she/they

Our Relationship with the DisAbility Service

The Ability Co_Op is the student-led wing of the DisAbility Service.

We keep the service in check. We ask the questions, and remind the service who they're there for- the students!

While the DisAbility Service is part of the Trinity Institution and has to do things strictly by the book, as a student organisation we have more freedom. This manifests in many ways.

Accessibility of our Group

Each meeting is hybrid and has meeting notes.

- **The physical meeting takes place in the An Mheitheal which is wheelchair accessible. It a spacious, general quiet room, with different types of seatings. Fidget toys are provided. Windows can be opened, and HEPA Filters can be booked in advance if required**
- **The online meeting takes place on google meet which provides decent automatic captions. Participation can be done through the google meet chat, or discord (outside meetings) aswell.**

All of our social media has, when applicable, alt-text, captions and accessible font.

If you have any additional accessibility needs or concerns please let us know. While signing up to the co-op, there is a section to add your accessibility needs.

How to Support Us

How to support us as students:

- **Demand inclusion in your academic and non-academic activities. Does your event have wheelchair access? Are your lectures recorded? Ask these questions loudly! We deserve inclusion.**

How to support us as staff:

- **Keep informed about up-to-date procedures for disAbility inclusion on campus.**
- **Talk about disability! Many disabilities are invisible. Remember that just because you can’t see that colleagues or students are disabled, they may be. Talking about disability keeps the ideas fresh and reminds us to include everyone.**

Poster Campaign

The Ability Co_Op is currently heading up a poster campaign that we intend to display across the Trinity College Dublin campus as well as across our social media accounts.

Our Posters aim to provide an insight into the lives of Disabled students and the effects that Disability has on their college lives.

We hope that in making these posters, our fellow students as well as staff will be more aware and considerate of what Disabled students may need to aid them in day-to-day college life.

Trinity Ability co_op links

Register your interest and learn more through our links

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Officer for Students with Disabilities

Disability@TCDSU.org

Emer Munnelly (sí/í)

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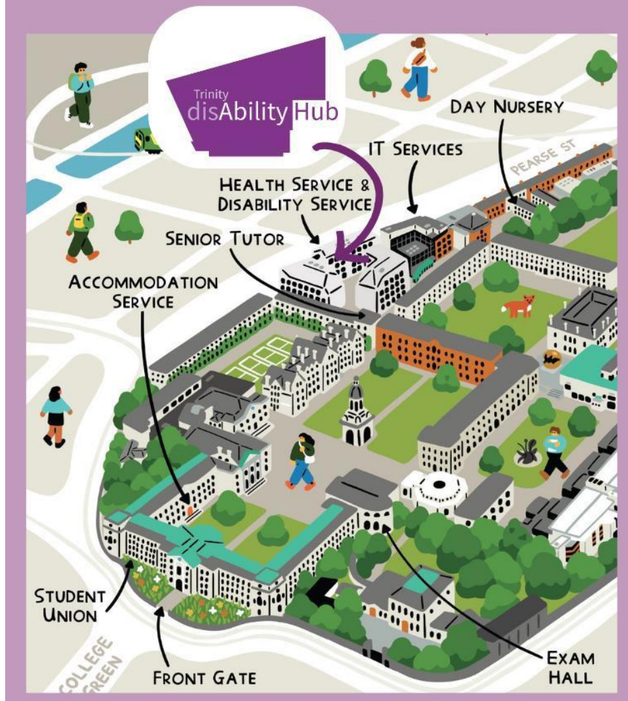
Wait, I Have More Questions!

DISABILITY SERVICE DROP-IN



SCAN TO BOOK AN APPOINTMENT

OPEN
MONDAY TO FRIDAY
12PM TO 2PM
(TERM TIME)

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Student Experiences

Table Quiz – Groups (AHSS)

Business – Chris

Drama, Music, and Film – Órla

English – Emmet

Languages – Thomas

Law – Jenn

Other – Keith

Geography and Geoscience – Fiona

Psychology/Sociology/Social Studies/Politics – Abby

History/Classics – Ash

Table Quiz –Groups (STEM and Health Sciences)

Pharmacy – Jenn

Chemistry & Physics – Kirsten

Computer Science - Fiona

Engineering – Chris

Nursing – Emmet

Medicine – Taia

Biological & Biomedical Sciences – Emmet

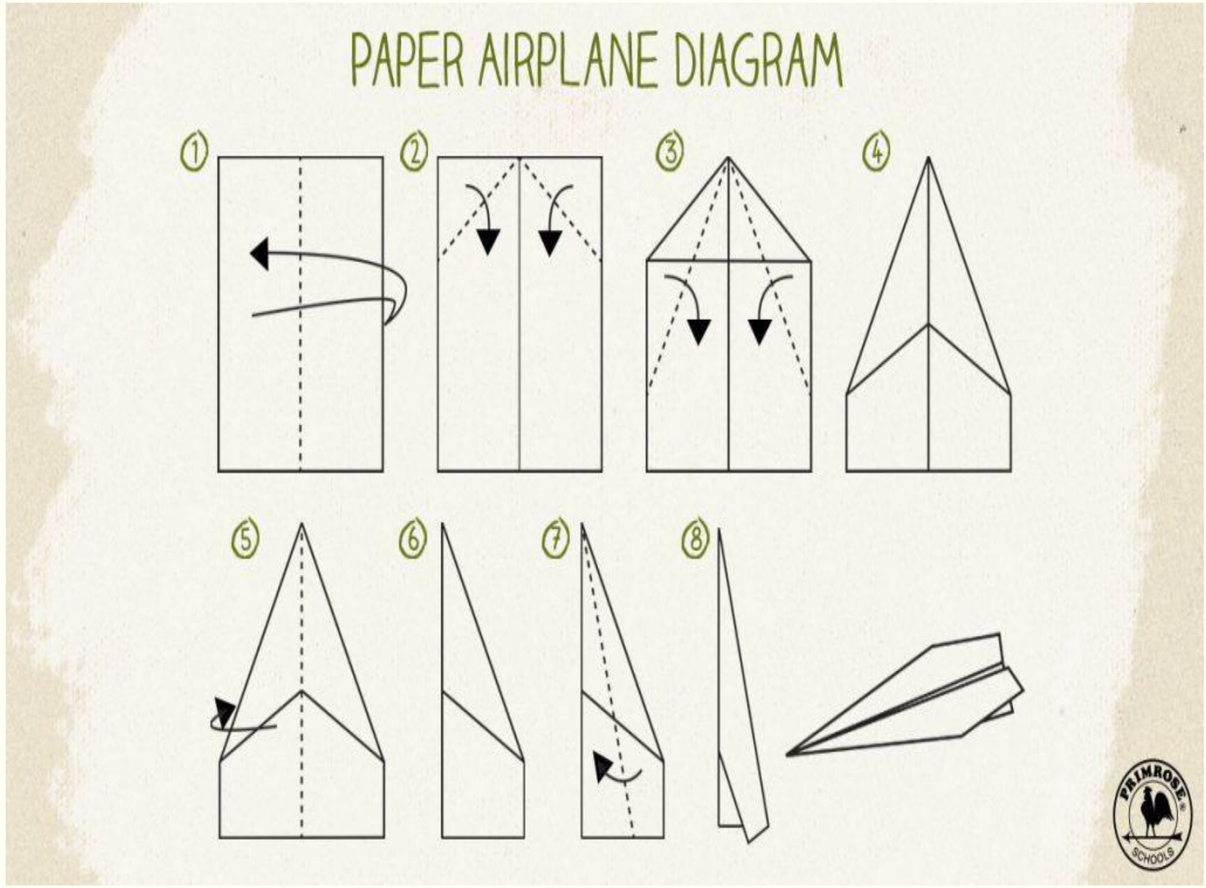
Other – Juliet

Radiation/ Occupational/ Physio Therapy - Orla

Tie Breaker – Paper Airplane

Each team must make a paper plane and get it to fly the furthest distance, where it stops.

Points for furthest distance (5)
Second furthest (3)
Third Furthest (1)



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