










# DARE Application Timeline

From November 2023		<p>CAO applications open from <b>6 November 2023 at 12 noon</b>.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Review the DARE Handbook with your parent(s)/guardian(s).</li> <li>2. Make a CAO application at <a href="http://www.cao.ie">www.cao.ie</a>.</li> <li>3. Fill in the online Supplementary Information Form (SIF) at <a href="http://www.cao.ie">www.cao.ie</a>.</li> <li>4. Complete your Educational Impact Statement with your school.</li> <li>5. Gather your Evidence of Disability documentation.</li> </ol>
By 1 February 2024		Apply to CAO by 17:00 on 1 February.
By 1 March 2024		<b>You must indicate your wish to be considered for DARE by ticking 'Yes' to Question 1 by 17:00</b> and complete Section A (Questions 1-5) of the Supplementary Information Form (SIF) on <a href="http://www.cao.ie">www.cao.ie</a> .
By 15 March 2024		<p>You must return the completed, signed AND stamped</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Educational Impact Statement (Section B)</li> <li>2. Evidence of Disability (Section C) or other evidence of Disability to the CAO, Tower House, Eglinton Street, Galway by 17:00. Make sure your documents are clear and can be easily read. Please number each page and write your CAO application number, name and the date on the front of each page.</li> </ol> <p>Faxed/emailed documents are not accepted.</p>
April – June 2024		Assessment of DARE applications.
In late June 2024		<p>You will be notified of the outcome of your DARE application.</p> <p>DARE Review and Appeals Application.</p>
Early August 2024		Applicants will be notified of the outcome of the Review and Appeals application.
August 2024		<p>Leaving Certificate Exam Results.</p> <p>Eligible DARE applicants compete for reduced points places.</p> <p>CAO Offers to eligible DARE applicants.</p> <p>Course offers are made and should be accepted through the CAO.</p>
Late August/ Early Sept. 2024		Attend Orientation and register with Disability Support Services.



# Important DARE Application Dates

## From November gather supporting documents early

- Complete the Educational Impact Statement with your school.
- Check that your Evidence of Disability documentation has been completed by the appropriate medical/educational professional:
  - within the last 3 years if applicable. (See pages 18-20 for age limits of reports.)
  - is signed AND stamped OR on headed paper OR accompanied by a business card.
- Applicants with Dyslexia/ Significant Literacy Difficulties submit a full psychological assessment report of any age or Section D AND attainment scores dated after **1 February 2022**.
- Applicants with Dyscalculia/ Significant Numeracy Difficulties, submit a full psychological assessment report of any age AND attainment scores dated after **1 February 2022**.

**By 1 February 2024 at 17:00 apply to CAO. Go to [www.cao.ie](http://www.cao.ie) and click Apply.**

**By 1 March 2024 at 17:00, complete Online Supplementary Information Form.**

- Answer YES to Question 1 “Do you wish to be considered for DARE” on the Supplementary Information Form (SIF) by 17:00 on **1 March 2024**.
- If you are applying to carry your DARE eligibility forward from 2023 to 2024, provide your 2023 CAO application number under Q1 (b) (see page 9).
- Save and submit your application.

**By 15 March 2024 at 17:00 post your supporting documents to CAO.**

- Please number each page and write your CAO application number, name and the date on the front of all documents submitted to CAO.
- Keep the originals of all documents and proof of postage.
- DARE will not contact you about missing, incomplete or incorrect documentation, so please ensure that you have supplied all documents requested by **15 March 2024** at 17:00. Please contact a DARE advisor if you have any questions in advance of submitting your documentation.