

Annual Information Sessions
Public Schools
Families & Students

Information for the 2019-2020 School Year



What is College Credit Plus?

- College Credit Plus is Ohio's dual credit program
 - Students earn high school and college credit at the same time
 - Students enroll in college courses and adhere to the requirements of the college



What is College Credit Plus?

- Students in Grades 7 through 12:
 - Must complete an assessment exam and be determined "eligible" for College Credit Plus
 - May apply to any public college or participating private college
 - May apply to multiple institutions



What is College Credit Plus?

- Students in Grades 7 through 12:
 - May choose from a variety of college-level courses (as determined by placement testing)
 - Must be Ohio residents



What is College Credit Plus?

- Students in Grades 7 through 12:
 - Can earn credit to satisfy both high school and college requirements
 - ▶ One 3+ Credit Hour Course = One High School Unit
 - Must successfully complete the courses in order to earn the credit



What is College Credit Plus?

- Students in Grades 7 through 12:
 - May take classes during the summer, fall, and spring semesters
 - May take courses at the high school¹, college campus, or online

¹The option to take courses at the high school is only available if the high school has partnered with a college or university to offer college courses at the high school



How can students participate?

- ▶ Step 1:
 - Students must be "eligible" for College Credit Plus participation based on assessment exam scores



How can students participate?

- Assessment exam examples:
 - ACT, SAT, Accuplacer, ALEKS, PlaceU, MapleSoft
- Each college/university has different exam requirements



How can students participate?

- Students' scores must indicate that they are ready for "college-level" courses in at least one subject area
- Colleges and universities will review students' scores using statewide standards



How can students participate?

- ► If a student's scores are not "college-level," other conditions may be considered depending on the exam scores and if the student has:
 - Overall GPA (3.0) or
 - Recommendation form/letter



How can students participate?

- ▶ Step 2:
 - Students must apply for admission
 - Contact the college to learn about their processes, paperwork and deadlines
 - Colleges have the final decision on student admission



How can students participate?

- Step 3:
 - If the student is considered eligible and has been admitted to the college/university, then the college will discuss course options with the student



What courses can a student take?

- Courses can satisfy high school graduation requirements
 - School counselors can help students understand requirements and course substitutions
 - Schools might have additional requirements in addition to the state minimum



What courses can a student take?

- College advisors will help students know which courses they can take, based on:
 - Assessment scores
 - Course prerequisites
 - Level I or Level II depending on the number of credit hours a student has already completed



What courses can a student take?

- Students must complete their First 15 credits in Level I courses, which include:
 - Transferable courses.
 - Courses in IT, Computer Science, Anatomy & Physiology, foreign language.
 - Courses that are part of a technical certificate.
 - Courses that are part of a 15- or 30-credit pathway.
 - Courses in study skills, academic or career success.
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What courses can a student take?

- Colleges must post their Level I courses see website for details
- Once a student completes the First 15 credit hours in Level I, he or she can move to Level II courses, which are any other allowable college courses for which a student meets the prerequisites.



What courses can a student take?

- Non-allowable courses include:
 - A private course with one-on-one instruction
 - Courses with high fees
 - Study abroad courses
 - Physical education courses
 - Pass/Fail graded courses
 - Remedial courses or religious courses.



What are other requirements?

Grades

- College Credit Plus grades earned in the college course is the same grade that will be on the high school transcript
- Grades will be factored into the high school and college GPA



What are other requirements?

Grades

- If a high school uses a weighted grading scale for Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, or Honors courses in a subject area,
 - then College Credit Plus courses in the subject area will be weighted using the same scale



What are other requirements?

- Students may take College Credit Plus courses in subject areas that will satisfy graduation requirements
- Students must complete End of Course exams for English, math, and science



How many classes can students take?

Students may be enrolled in up to 30 semester credit hours per year, including high school only courses:

30 - (high school credits x 3) = Maximum CCP credit hours

The maximum number of credits allowable over the life of the program is 120



How many classes can students take?

- If a student enrolls in more than 30 credit hours for the year:
 - School will discuss with the student whether to:
 - Drop the course or
 - Pay for the entire course



How many classes can students take?

- If a student enrolls in more than 30 credit hours and PAYS for the course:
 - Student/family will assume the cost of course credits, fees, and books at the college's standard rates



What are differences between high school and college?

- ► Tests:
 - High School: Tests are sometimes given weekly or at the end of the chapter
 - College: Tests are generally fewer in number covering more material



What are differences between high school and college?

- Study Time:
 - ► High School: Required homework ranges between 1 to 3 hours per day
 - College: Standard rule of 2 to 3 hours of homework for every hour spent in class (3 to 5 hours per day)



What are differences between high school and college?

- Knowledge Acquisition:
 - High School: Information provided mostly in-class. Out-of-class research is minimal.
 - College: Coursework will generally require more independent thinking, longer writing assignments, and out-of-class research



What are differences between high school and college?

Grades:

- ► High School: Numerous quizzes, tests, and homework assignments
- College: Fewer tests and fewer, if any, homework assignments will be used to determine final grades



What are differences between high school and college?

Parent Role:

- High School: Parents are strong advocates working closely with teachers and counselors
- College: Parent serves as a mentor and support for the student; the college views the student as independent decision-maker
- College: The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) protects student education records



What are the benefits of participating?

- Students can earn high school and college credits at the same time
- Students can get a "head start" on college degrees or certificates



What are the benefits of participating?

- Students can experience college early to understand the expectations of college life
- Students can save tuition and textbook costs



- ▶ If students fail or withdraw too late from a college course, the district may seek reimbursement for the tuition costs from the student/family
- The grades that students earn are on the students' college transcripts permanently



What are the consequences of underperforming?

- If students fail or withdraw often, future financial aid may be also impacted negatively
 - Contact the college's financial aid office for more information about Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)



If students perform poorly, they may be placed CCP probation, CCP dismissal or on academic probation or dismissal by the college



What are the consequences of underperforming?

- College Credit Plus Probation:
 - ▶ A student will be placed on CCP probation if he or she earns a 2.0 GPA or less in CCP course or withdraws from 2 or more courses in an academic term.



- While on CCP Probation, the student:
 - May only enroll in one College Credit Plus course for one college term (semester or quarter).
 - May not enroll in the college course in the same subject in which student previously earned D or F or received no credit.



What are the consequences of underperforming?

- College Credit Plus Dismissal:
 - If students on CCP probation do not increase their College Credit Plus GPA to a 2.0 or above during the probation term, they will be placed on CCP Dismissal
- While on CCP Dismissal, students may not enroll in any College Credit Plus courses.



- CCP Dismissal Appeals:
 - After one college term on CCP Dismissal, students may submit an appeal to request the high (or middle) school to allow participation in College Credit Plus.
 - Each school must have a policy describing the process for appeals.



What are the expenses for College Credit Plus?

- At public colleges or universities, there will be no cost to the students/families for tuition, required fees, and books
- At private colleges or universities, a small cost per credit hour may be charged



What are the expenses for College Credit Plus?

- Some optional expenses are the responsibility of the student/family
 - Example: Parking and transportation



What are the support services for students?

- High school counselors continue to provide assistance to all College Credit Plus students
- College advisors provide course selection assistance
- Colleges must provide the same academic supports to College Credit Plus students as they do other students



What about athletic eligibility?

Student athletes should:

- Confirm their school is an Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) member
- 2. Learn the OHSAA requirements
- 3. Know that summer term CCP courses <u>may</u> not be used to bring a student into compliance with the OHSAA requirements for interscholastic athletic participation



Will the course credits transfer?

- Certain general education and technical courses will transfer especially from one Ohio public college to another Ohio public college
- Students must check with colleges to confirm transferability
- Students should check <u>https://transfercredit.ohio.gov</u> for transfer information



What does being "college-ready" mean?

- Being "college-ready" is more than just being academically ready
 - Consider emotional and social transition and college expectations
 - Consider time management & organizational skills
 - Grades earned in a College Credit Plus course are for high school AND college credit and will be calculated into the student's GPA
 - College Credit Plus credits will be utilized in the calculation of financial aid

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What are the deadlines?

- ► April 1, 2019
 - Students must complete and return to the school office the Intent to Participate form
- Check ACT and SAT dates
 - ► Test early to meet college/university admission deadlines (if required)



What are the deadlines?

- College/Universities
 - Check each college's deadline for admission
 - Find out about assessment testing requirements
 - Summer semester deadline will be early as classes usually start in May



Do you have other questions?

Visit the website for additional resources:

www.ohiohighered.org/ccp



