



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:
 - ▶ 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?

- ▶ 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

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?

- ▶ 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.

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

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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:

$30 - (\text{high school credits} \times 3) = \text{Maximum CCP credit hours}$

- ▶ 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

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?

▶ 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 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 consequences of underperforming?

- ▶ 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)

What are the consequences of underperforming?

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

What are the consequences of underperforming?

- ▶ **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.**

What are the consequences of underperforming?

▶ **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:

1. Confirm their school is an Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) member
2. Learn the OHSAA requirements
3. Know that summer term CCP courses may 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 <https://transfercredit.ohio.gov> 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

