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What is College Credit Plus?

College Credit Plus is Ohio's dual credit program

- ▶ Students can earn high school and college credit at the same time
- ▶ Students enroll in college courses and adhere to the policies and requirements of the college
- ▶ Must successfully complete the courses in order to earn the credit
- ▶ Even if a student fails or withdraws from the course, the college transcript and high school transcript will reflect the student's final grade

The Basics

- ▶ May take classes during the summer, fall, & spring semesters
- ▶ May take courses at the high school*, college campus or online

** Rossford has several CCP courses at RHS offered through partnerships with University of Toledo, University of Findlay, and Owens Community College*

College Admission

- ▶ Colleges may use the student's scores on an assessment exam and/or student's unweighted high school cumulative grade point average (gpa) to determine eligibility.
- ▶ A minimum 3.0 unweighted gpa is required for most schools.

College Admission

Students may apply to any public college or participating private college; May apply to multiple colleges; Must be Ohio resident

- ▶ Students must apply for admission (use CCP application on college/university website)
- ▶ Students must meet admission requirements of the college
- ▶ Colleges have the final decision on student admission

Course Registration

If the student is considered eligible and has been admitted to the college, then the college will discuss course options with the student, based on assessment scores, prerequisites, and other requirements.

Only a rep from the college can enroll a student into classes.

Course Eligibility Rules

Students must complete their first 15 credits in Level I courses, which include:

- ▶ Transferable courses (typically Core)
- ▶ 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

Course Eligibility Rules

Non-allowable courses include:

- ▶ Private applied courses with one-on-one instruction (such as performing art lessons)
- ▶ Courses with high fees
- ▶ Study abroad courses
- ▶ Physical education courses
- ▶ Pass/Fail graded courses
- ▶ Remedial courses or sectarian/religious courses

Grades

- ▶ The grade earned in the college course is the same grade that will be on the high school transcript
- ▶ CCP course grades will be factored into the high school and college GPAs
- ▶ If a high school uses a weighted grading scale for Honors courses in a subject area, then College Credit Plus courses in the subject area will be weighted using the same scale

Considerations

- ▶ Students may take College Credit Plus courses in subject areas that will satisfy graduation requirements
- ▶ Students should work with school counselors to ensure they are meeting any mandatory testing or other high school graduation requirements

How many classes can students take?

- ▶ Students may be enrolled in up to 30 credits per year for 4 years, which includes high school courses:
- ▶ Calculation:
$$30 - (\text{secondary school units} \times 3) = \text{max CCP credits}$$
 - ▶ 3 or more Credit Hour College Course converts to One High School Unit
- ▶ This should be worked out with your HS counselor

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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)

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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

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

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Role of Parents

- ▶ 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

What are benefits of participating in College Credit Plus?

Students can:

- ▶ Earn high school and college credits at the same time
- ▶ Get a “head start” on career planning and degree or certificate completion
- ▶ Experience college early to understand the expectations of college life
- ▶ Save tuition and textbook costs

What are the consequences of underperforming?

- ▶ If students do not earn a passing grade or if they withdraw too late from college courses, the district may require students/ families to reimburse the tuition that the district had paid
- ▶ The grades that students earn will be on the students' high school and college transcripts permanently

Underperforming Student Rules

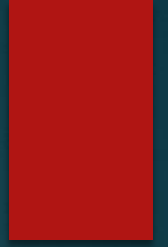
College Credit Plus Probation

- ▶ 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 one 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 a college course in the same subject in which student previously earned D, F, NC grade (or equivalent grade)

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CCP Dismissal

- ▶ If students on CCP probation do not increase their CCP 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
- ▶ A student can request (appeal) to be reinstated in the program

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, there will be no cost to the students/families for tuition, required fees, and books but students could be charged a small cost per credit hour
 - ▶ Check with the private college to see if they will charge this fee
- ▶ Some optional expenses are the responsibility of the student/family (*Examples: Parking and transportation, Food*)

What are support services available for students?

- ▶ High school counselors continue to provide assistance to all College Credit Plus students
- ▶ College advisors provide course selection assistance, registration
- ▶ Colleges must provide the same academic supports to College Credit Plus students such as tutoring, library access, advising/counseling

What about athletic eligibility?

Student athletes should:

1. Learn the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) requirements
2. Work with school counselor
3. Know that summer term CCP courses cannot 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 also visit <https://transfercredit.ohio.gov> for transfer information

What do I do next?

1. Complete the Letter of Intent form and provide to the school office by April 1
2. Students with an unweighted gpa of 3.0 can apply to directly to the college using their CCP application. Information on the college's site will explain any additional forms or testing that is required
3. Meet with college CCP advisor and register for college classes
4. Meet with your school counselor to discuss scheduling and graduation requirements

Visit the CCP websites for additional resources:

www.ohiohighered.org/ccp

www.owens.edu/collegecreditplus/

www.utoledo.edu/admission/dualcredit/

www.findlay.edu/admissions/college-credit-plus/

www.bgsu.edu/admissions/advanced-high-school-programs.html

www.lourdes.edu/admissions/college-credit/

