QUESTIONS & ANSWERS
OHIO REVISED CODE 3365.035
MATURE SUBJECT MATTER

As with all matters pertaining to Ohio Revised Code, the Ohio Department of Higher Education and the Ohio Department of Education provide as much guidance as reasonably possible; however, there may be instances when it is more appropriate for a college or university to contact its own legal counsel for assistance. These questions and answers are the current guidance for the newly effective Ohio Revised Code chapter 3365.035 (Oct. 1, 2021). Look for additional information on the College Credit Plus resources webpage as needed.

1. In an effort to minimize paperwork, can the college include the permission slip and the questionnaire on the same form?

   The law requires that students complete the permission slip and the questionnaire as separate documents that are provided to students at different times in the application and enrollment processes.

2. Can the college include the questionnaire on another existing college form that has additional information for students and parents such as advising information, student code of conduct information and withdrawal dates?

   Yes, if the college includes all of the pertinent information described in Ohio Revised Code 3365.0235 (D)(1) through (4) and (E).

3. If the college already has admitted students for spring 2022, does the college have to send the permission form and questionnaire to all the applicants now?

   Colleges and universities should ensure that all students enrolling in courses for the first time after the effective date of the law have completed the requirements and follow the new laws.

4. Is it correct that the permission slip must be signed by the parent and the student, but the questionnaire must be completed only by the student?

   Yes, that is correct.

5. If a student or parent does not complete a permission form or a questionnaire, can the student participate in the program?

   No. These forms are among the requirements outlined in Ohio Revised Code with which colleges and universities must comply to be reimbursed for College Credit Plus enrollments.

6. If a student is 18 years of age at the time he or she applies to the college, does the parent or guardian still need to sign the permission slip?

   Yes. There is no reference to the age of the student in the new law. Any student applying to participate in College Credit Plus must complete the requirements of the application process which now include the permission slip and the questionnaire.