



***Homeschooled
Families and Students***

***Information for the
2018-2019 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
 - 3+ Credit Hours = 1 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 in the summer, fall, and spring semesters
 - May take courses at the high school¹, college campus, or online

¹Available at public and nonpublic high schools in partnership with colleges/universities

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?

- 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?

- College advisors will help students know which courses they can take
 - Based on assessment scores
 - Based on course pre-requisites

What courses can a student take?

- Courses can satisfy high school graduation requirements
- Courses must be college-level or non-remedial
- Courses must be nonreligious

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

How many classes can students take?

- Homeschooled students must apply for College Credit Plus funding
 - After applying, families will be notified of the maximum number of credit hours that will be paid for through College Credit Plus
 - Students/families may choose to pay for additional courses on their own

How do students apply for funding?

Every year:

#1: Students/Parents must submit a completed Intent to Participate form to CCPIntentLetter@education.ohio.gov by April 1, 2018 (The form is available at www.ohiohighered.org/ccp)

#2: Parents must set up a SAFE account with the Ohio Department of Education

How do students apply for funding?

#4: Within the funding application, parents must upload the student's college or university letter of admission/acceptance

#5: Within the funding application, parents must upload the letter from the district superintendent excusing the student from compulsory education

How do students apply for funding?

#6: Parents must complete the entire funding application and press “SUBMIT” on or before

APRIL 13, 2018 at 5 p.m. EST

You will receive an email confirmation when the application is successfully submitted

How do students apply for funding?

- Within a few weeks, you will receive notification that the funding award letter is available.
- Follow the instructions to open your SAFE account and download the funding letter
- Provide that letter to your college

How do students apply for funding?

- Funding

- If you choose to register for courses before funding awards are finalized and the student is not awarded funds:

- Family will have to self-pay at the college's standard rate or
 - Drop the courses

How do students apply for funding?

- Visit www.ohiohighered.org/ccp
- Click on the “Applying for College Credit Plus Hours (nonpublic and homeschooled families)” for updated instructions

How do students apply for funding?

- The application process will begin in February 2018 for the 2018-2019 school year
- Remember: The deadline is April 13, 2018 at 5 p.m. EST

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?

- 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

What are differences between high school and college?

- Parent Role:
 - College: The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) protects student education records

What are the consequences of underperforming?

- If students perform poorly, they may be placed on academic probation or dismissal by the college
- If students fail or withdraw often, future financial aid may be impacted negatively

What are the expenses for College Credit Plus?

- At public colleges or universities, no cost to the students/families for tuition and required fees
- At private colleges or universities, a small cost per credit hour may be charged
- All homeschooled students/families must purchase their own textbooks

What are the expenses for College Credit Plus?

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

What are the support services for students?

- College advisors provide course selection assistance
- Colleges must provide the same 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

What about athletic eligibility?

Student athletes should:

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 public college to another public college
- Students must check with colleges to confirm transferability
- Students should check <https://transfercredit.ohio.gov/> for transfer info

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

What does being “college-ready” mean?

- Being “college-ready” is more than just being academically ready
 - 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

What are the deadlines?

- April 1, 2018
 - Students must complete the *Intent to Participate* form and email to CCPIntentLetter@education.ohio.gov
- April 13, 2018 at 5 p.m. EST
 - Families must submit a complete funding application (no extensions or late applications are accepted)

What are the deadlines?

- Check ACT and SAT dates
 - Test early to meet college/university admission deadlines (if required)
- Remember – Homeschooled students must submit a letter of acceptance to the college with the funding application

