

# Annual Information Session for Public Schools

To be used during 2022-2023 School Year  
In preparation for 2023-2024 school year



# 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

# What is College Credit Plus?

Students in Grades 7 through 12:

- ▶ Must be Ohio residents and
  - Attend an Ohio secondary school (public or private) or
  - Receive homeschooling instruction

# What is College Credit Plus?

Students in Grades 7 through 12:

- ▶ May apply to any Ohio public college or participating Ohio private college (or approved out-of-state college)
  - May apply to multiple colleges
  - May attend multiple colleges

# 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 & course eligibility rules
- Can earn credit to satisfy both high school and college requirements
  - 3 or more Credit Hour College Course converts to One High School Unit

# What is College Credit Plus?

Students in Grades 7 through 12:

- ▶ 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 high school transcript will match the college transcript with the course grade

# What is College Credit Plus?

Students in Grades 7 through 12:

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

*\*The 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*

# CCP Courses offered in the building at West Muskingum

\*During the 2022-2023 School Year, these courses are offered at West Muskingum and taught by our faculty who are certified CCP teachers:

Composition I with Research (Hocking College)  
Technical Writing (Hocking College)

Biology 1 (Zane State)  
Biology 2 (Zane State)



# How can students participate?

## Step 1: Eligibility

- ▶ A student is eligible for the "College Credit Plus" program if the student meets any of the following criteria:
- ▶ (a) Obtains a remediation-free score on one of the standard assessment exams as set forth in paragraph (D)(2) of rule [3333-1-65.3](#) of the Administrative Code; or
- ▶ (b) Has a cumulative unweighted high school grade point average of at least 3.00; or

# Step 1: Eligibility (continued...)

- ▶ (c) Has a cumulative unweighted high school grade point average of at least 2.75 but less than 3.00 and received an "A" or "B" grade in a relevant high school course.
- ▶ (2) If a student is seeking to participate under section [3365.033](#) of the Revised Code and a cumulative unweighted high school grade point average is not available to determine eligibility under paragraph (A)(1)(b) or (A)(1)(c) of this rule, the student is eligible if the student has received an "A" or "B" grade in a relevant high school course.
- ▶ (B) If a student's grade point average is calculated beyond the hundredths decimal point, the grade point is rounded to the hundredths decimal point for the purpose of determining the student's eligibility to participate in the "College Credit Plus" program under this rule.

# Student Eligibility Assessment Exams

- Assessment Exams include ACT, SAT, Accuplacer, ALEKS, PlaceU, or MapleSoft
  - After a student applies to a college, the college/university will notify the student about exam requirements
  - Colleges and universities will review students' scores using statewide standards

# How can students participate?

## Step 2: College Admission

- Students must apply for admission
- Students must meet admission requirements of the college
- Students must complete a “Permission Slip” that will be provided to the students with the college’s application for admission.

# How can students participate?

## Step 2: College Admission

- Contact the college to learn about their requirements, processes, paperwork, and deadlines
- Colleges have the final decision on student admission
- If the student is admitted to the college, the college will send a “Questionnaire” that must be completed for enrollment.

# How can students participate?

## Step 3: 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

# What courses can a student take?

## CCP courses can satisfy high school graduation requirements

- School counselors can help students understand graduation requirements and CCP course substitutions
- Some high schools have more requirements for graduation than the state minimum

# Course Eligibility Rules

**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



# Course Eligibility Rules

- 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 enroll in Level II courses
  - Level II courses are any other allowable college courses for which a student meets the prerequisites

# 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

# 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
- CCP course grades will be factored into the high school and college GPAs

# What are other requirements?

## Grade Weighting

- 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 in order to calculate the student's grade point average and class rank

# What are other requirements?

- Students should consider courses in a career pathway that interests them
- Students should ask about pathways that identify courses leading to a major or degree requirements

# What are other requirements?

## Graduation Requirements

- Students may take College Credit Plus courses in subject areas that will satisfy graduation requirements
- Students must 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, which includes high school courses:
- Calculation:  
$$30 - (\text{high school credits} \times 3) = \text{max CCP credits}$$
- The maximum number of credits allowable for a student while participating in the program is 120

# How many classes can students take?

If a student enrolls in more than 30 credits for the year, the school will discuss with the student whether to:

- Drop the course (prior to the no-fault withdrawal date) or
- Pay for the entire course (including tuition, fees, books) at the college's standard rates (Option A)



# What are differences between high school & college?

## Tests

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

# What are differences between high school & 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 & 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 & college?

## Grades

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

# What are differences between high school & college?

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

# What are differences between high school & college?

**Parents will not be notified** of a student in-danger of failing a course until the parent receives a letter in the mail for the high school seeking reimbursement if the student were to fail a course.

\*The high school is not even allowed to notify parents if a student is in danger of failing.

# What are differences between high school & college?

## Accommodations

- High School: Parents and students work with high school staff to determine what assistance or accommodations can be made for students with IEPs or 504 plans.
- College: Students must work directly with college staff to determine if accommodations are needed. IEPs and 504 plans may or may not be included in the discussions.

# 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' college transcripts permanently

\*If a student is considered “economically disadvantaged,” a school may not seek reimbursement

# What are the consequences of underperforming?

- If students fail or withdraw often, future financial aid may be also impacted negatively
  - For more information, contact the college's financial aid office for details
- If students perform poorly, they may be placed CCP Probation, CCP Dismissal or on academic probation or dismissal by the college

# 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

# Underperforming Student Rules

## **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)

# Underperforming Student Rules

## 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

# Underperforming Student Rules

## CCP Probation & Dismissal Appeals

- **CCP Probation:** Student may appeal to take a course in the same subject in which he or she previously earned a D, F, or received no credit
  - **CCP Dismissal:** Within 5 days of being dismissed, the student may submit an appeal to the secondary school to appeal CCP Dismissal or the student may appeal at the end of the CCP Dismissal semester
- ▶ *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
- Some optional expenses are the responsibility of the student/ family (*Examples: Parking and transportation*)

# What are the expenses for College Credit Plus?

- At private colleges or universities, there will be no cost to the students/families for tuition, required fees, and books.
- But, students may be charged a small cost per credit hour
  - Check with the private college to see if they will charge this fee



# What are the expenses for College Credit Plus?

- Students must complete the Intent to Participate form and provide to the public school by April 1, 2023\*
- Students must confirm with the college and the secondary school if the student will take advantage of College Credit Plus using state funds (Option B) or if the student will “self-pay” for the college courses (Option A)

# What are the expenses for College Credit Plus?

- Students can choose Option A – the family/student will “self-pay” for college courses at the standard rate of tuition, fees, and textbooks
- Under Option A, students can choose to earn college credit and high school credit OR only college credit (students must inform the school of their choice of credit for courses)

# What are the expenses for College Credit Plus?

- Students can choose Option B – all college course tuition, fees, and textbooks will be paid by the state of Ohio (supported by the school’s foundation funds and the college’s funds)
- Under Option B, students will earn college credit and high school credit
- Option B is the “default” or standard option for CCP
- Students may be asked to confirm the election of Option B during the college advising process

# What are the expenses for College Credit Plus?

- Students must inform the college and their high school of the Option choice
- The final date to change the election of Option A or Option B is on or before the college's no-fault withdrawal date

# 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
- 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:**

- Learn the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) requirements
- 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 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 and organizational skills



# What does being “college-ready” mean?

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

- Grades earned in a CCP course are for high school AND college credits and will be calculated into the student’s GPA at both places
- College Credit Plus credits will be utilized in the calculation of financial aid (after high school)

## NEXT STEPS IN CCP PROCESS?

1. Determine if your student is eligible - Look up the college's testing/admission requirements.
2. Student must make an appointment **BEFORE April 1st** with their School Counselor to make sure CCP is the right fit for the student. A parent must attend.
3. Turn in "Intent to Participate" (Pink form) by **April 1<sup>st</sup>** to West Muskingum Counseling Office.

## NEXT STEPS IN CCP PROCESS?

4. Apply for admission at the college of choice before the deadline (it is student responsibility to keep track of college application deadlines).
  - a. Complete the “Permission Slip” and turn it into the college.
  - b. Complete the “Student Questionnaire” and turn it into the college.

# NEXT STEPS IN THE CCP PROCESS CONTINUED...

5. By **May 1st** - Fill out CCP transcript request form and give to your West Muskingum School Counselor (this is provided at the advising appointment with West Muskingum School Counselor).
6. Make an advising/scheduling appointment with CCP college advisor (this might not be until the Summer).
7. Before you leave for the summer- make sure to communicate with your School Counselor where you were accepted/if you still plan on participating.

# CCP Student Responsibilities

Students must email their School Counselor over the summer with their class schedules and textbook needs.

School Counselors will not look at emails until August but will need that information to be readily available when they start the 2023-2024 school year

# WEST MUSKINGUM HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELORS

- Miss Julie Wolfe (grades 9 & 10) [jwolfe@westmschools.org](mailto:jwolfe@westmschools.org)
- Students who will be in grades 7 through 10 (in fall of 2023) who are interested in participating, please contact Miss Wolfe.
- Mrs. May Sheck (grades 11 & 12) [msheck@westmschools.org](mailto:msheck@westmschools.org)
- Students who will be in grades 11 or 12 (in fall of 2023) who are interested in participating, please contact Mrs. Sheck.

# CCP ADVISORS' CONTACT INFORMATION

- Hocking College: Katie Walters [waltersk32910@hocking.edu](mailto:waltersk32910@hocking.edu)
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Do you have other questions?

**Visit the CCP website for additional  
resources:**

<https://highered.ohio.gov/initiatives/access-acceleration/college-credit-plus/ccp>





# Advanced Placement (AP) Information

**ADVANCED PLACEMENT:** West Muskingum High School conducts an Advanced Placement Program with several course offerings. The Advanced Placement examinations are offered by the College Board, a non - profit membership organization that provides tests and other educational services for students, schools, and colleges. The membership is composed of more than 2,600 colleges, schools, school systems, and education associations.

# Advanced Placement Information

Students who have completed college level work in the Advanced Placement class at West Muskingum High School are looking forward to the following benefits as a result of taking the examinations:

- ▶ **Exemption** by their college or university from beginning courses and permission to take higher level courses in certain fields.
- ▶ **Academic credit** for exams taken, which means fewer graduation requirements.

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# Advanced Placement Information

- ▶ **Tuition savings** - up to a year of credit may be given for three or more qualifying AP grades.
- ▶ **Time to explore** undergraduate subject areas that they wouldn't otherwise be able to study.
- ▶ **Eligibility for honors** and other special programs open to students who have received AP recognition. For further information on the AP program, see the AP Coordinator, your School Counselor, or the current course description guide.

# Advanced Placement Information

In recognition that the Advanced Placement and College Credit Plus course requirements represent a much more rigorous curriculum than all other high school level coursework, grades in AP and CCP classes will be weighted on a 5 point scale, used in determining GPA and class rank as follows:

A= 5 quality points

B= 4 quality points

C= 3 quality points

D= 2 quality points

F= 0 quality points

The reasoning for this is to recognize and reward students for challenging themselves. It brings our high school more into line with other high schools that have well developed AP and CCP programs.

# Current AP Course Offerings at West Muskingum

AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY - Mr. Adam Foltz -  
[afoltz@westmschools.org](mailto:afoltz@westmschools.org)

AP US GOVERNMENT - Mr. Sean Stevens -  
[sstevens@westmschools.org](mailto:sstevens@westmschools.org)

# Current AP Course Offerings at West Muskingum continued...

AP US HISTORY - Mrs. Heidi Wagner -  
[hwagner@westmschools.org](mailto:hwagner@westmschools.org)

AP PSYCHOLOGY - Mrs. Heidi Wagner - email above

AP LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION - Mr. James Fineran -  
[jfineran@westmschools.org](mailto:jfineran@westmschools.org)

AP LANGUAGE AND COMPOSITION - Mrs. Jane Shawger -  
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