

# COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS

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# 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
- Credits earned may satisfy both high school and college requirements
  - 3+ College Credit Hours = 1 High School Unit

Available for students in Grades 7 - 12:

- Must complete an assessment exam and be determined "eligible"
- May take classes in the summer, fall, and spring semesters

May apply to any public or participating private college

- May take courses at WHS, on a college campus, or online

# HOW CAN STUDENTS PARTICIPATE?

Students must return appropriate paperwork to their school counselor by April 1<sup>st</sup>

- Intent to Participate and Acknowledgement Form

Students must apply directly to the college for admission

- Contact the college to learn about their processes, paperwork and deadlines
- Notify your school counselor where you need your transcript sent
- Colleges have the final decision on student admission

Students must be “eligible” for CCP participation based on assessment exam scores indicating they are ready for “college-level” courses in at least one subject area...

- Exam examples include ACT, SAT and the Accuplacer
- We will offer the Accuplacer at WHS on Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> immediately after school.

# 1

Students must first complete an assessment exam (ACT, SAT, or the ACCUPLACER) and their score\* must indicate they are ready for college level coursework in at least one subject area.

Student receives a qualifying score\* on their exam



(move to Step 2)

Student does not receive qualifying score, but falls within the range to be considered.



(move to Step 2)

The score is not within the range for consideration, but they have a 3.0 cumulative GPA and they receive a letter of recommendation.



(move to Step 2)



If the score is out of the range for consideration and the student does not have a 3.0 GPA, they may have to wait a semester to retest. Unfortunately, without meeting the eligibility requirements, they cannot participate in CCP.




## Step 2

*You're eligible!  
Apply directly to the college you want to attend*

### \*QUALIFYING SCORES

ACT		"Within Range"
English	18	16-17
Reading	22	20-21
Mathematics	22	20-21
SAT		"Within Range"
Reading & Writing	480	450-479
Mathematics	530	500-529

ACCUPLACER		"Within Range"
Sentence Skills	88	78-87
WritePlacer	5	4
Reading Comprehension	80	71-79
College Level Math	55	46-54

For complete information visit [www.ohiohighered.org/ccp](http://www.ohiohighered.org/ccp)

# The ACCUPLACER

There are many resources to help students study!

- Tri-C's website
- LCCC website
- Ohio Means Jobs

There's an app for that!

THE OFFICIAL  
**FREE**  
**ACCUPLACER®**  
**STUDY APP**

# HOW CAN STUDENTS PARTICIPATE?

If the student is considered eligible and has been admitted to the college/university, then the student can consider course options based on test scores and prerequisites...

## Classes @ WHS:

Students will indicate which classes they plan to take during scheduling next week by registering for the class. If the student does not receive qualifying scores their counselor will reach out to them for an alternative plan.

## Classes off-campus:

Students must -

1. Research what classes they plan to take
2. Meet with their school counselor for a Course Authorization Form.
3. Schedule a meeting with a college advisor to register for classes

# WHAT COURSES CAN A STUDENT TAKE?

Courses can satisfy high school graduation requirements

- School counselors can help students understand requirements and course substitutions
- Students must complete End-of-Course exams for English, math, and science

Courses must be college-level (non-remedial) and nonreligious

Courses must apply toward a degree or professional certificate, in a subject area in which the student is college-ready.

- Colleges might have additional requirements in addition to the state minimum

# HOW MANY CLASSES CAN YOU TAKE?

Students may be enrolled in up to 30 credit hours including high school only courses:

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

1 <sup>st</sup> SEMESTER CLASSES	CREDITS EARNED	1 <sup>st</sup> SEM CREDIT HOURS
ENG 1010	3 college credits	3.0
PSY 1010	3 college credits	6.0
Chemistry	.5 HS credit = 1.5 college	7.5
Pre-Calculus	.5 HS credit = 1.5 college	9.0
AP Government	.5 HS credit = 1.5 college	10.5

*3+ College Credit Hours = 1 High School Unit*

*The maximum number of credits allowable during the program is 120*



# HOW DO GRADES WORK?

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 both the high school and college GPA

If a high school uses a weighted grading scale for Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, or Honors courses in a subject area, then CCP courses in the subject area will be weighted using the same scale

# WILL THE COURSES 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

Helpful websites to determine how classes transfer –

- [transfercredit.ohio.gov](http://transfercredit.ohio.gov)
- [transferology.com](http://transferology.com)

# WHAT ARE THE EXPENSES TO PARTICIPATE?

At public colleges or universities: there is 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

Some optional expenses are the responsibility of the student/family

- i.e. parking and transportation

# 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

## 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)

# 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

## 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

# 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

## Parent Role:

- High School: Parents have access to student's grades and attendance
- College: The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) protects student education records

# WHAT IS IT TO BE “COLLEGE READY”?

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

# BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATING IN CCP

Students can earn high school and college credits at the same time

Students can get a “head start” on college degrees or certificates

- [www.transferology.com](http://www.transferology.com) / [www.transfercredit.ohio.gov](http://www.transfercredit.ohio.gov)

Students can experience college early to understand the expectations of college life

Students can save tuition and textbook costs



# RISKS OF PARTICIPATING IN CCP

If students fail or withdraw too late from a college course, the district will seek reimbursement for the tuition costs from the student/family

The grades that students earn are on the college transcript forever

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

# SUPPORT SERVICES FOR CCP STUDENTS

High school counselors continue to provide assistance to all College Credit Plus students

Colleges must provide the same supports to College Credit Plus students as they do other students

College advisors provide course selection assistance

# WHAT ABOUT ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY?

“Students must be enrolled in and earn passing grades in a minimum of five one-credit courses each and every grading period.”

College courses which earn 3+ semester hours of credit are awarded one Carnegie unit (AKA one credit). When calculating credit equivalency, use the factor of two for a CCP class as one full credit is earned each semester.

## Example 1: 1st Nine-Week Grading Period

<u>Subject</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Credit &amp; Duration</u>	<u>Credit Equivalency (Must Equal 5 Units or Equivalent)</u>
History	High	1 (year course)	$1 \times 1 = 1$
Literature	CCP	3 semester hours	$1 \times 2 = 2$
Calculus	CCP	5 semester hours	$1 \times 2 = 2$
Biology	CCP	3 semester hours	$1 \times 2 = 2$
<b>Total Credits</b>			<b>7 = eligible for 2nd grading period provided all courses passed</b>

**The factor of 2 is used for post-secondary institutions that are on the semester system.**

Summer term CCP courses may not be used to bring a student into compliance with the OHSAA requirements for interscholastic athletic participation

# CCP Classes @ WHS

ENG 1010/20	English Composition (3 cr)
PSY 1010	Psychology (3 cr)
SOC 1010	Sociology (3 cr)
MATH 1580	Precalculus (5 cr)
MATH 1610	Calculus (5 cr)
MATH 1410/20	Elementary Probability & Statistics (3 cr)
BIO 1500	Principles of Biology (3 cr)
BIO 1060/L	Environment, Ecology & Evolution +lab (4/1.3 cr)
HIST 1010/20	History of Civilization (3 cr)
HIST 1510/20	US History (3 cr)
FREN 1010/20	Beginning French (3 cr)
SPAN 1011/21	Beginning Spanish (3 cr)
MUS 1010	Survey of European Classical Music (3 cr)

# NEXT STEPS -

1. Turn in your paperwork!
2. Determine eligibility
  - ACT / SAT / ACCUPLACER
  - ACCUPLACER @ WHS on Tues., Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> 3:00p
3. Apply directly to the college
4. Schedule your classes

The image shows three overlapping forms related to College Credit Plus. The top form is pink and titled 'CollegeCredit PLUS'. The middle form is green and titled 'Student Record Release for College Credit Plus' from Westlake High School, with fields for Student Name, College Name(s), and Special Instructions. The bottom form is yellow and titled 'CollegeCredit PLUS' with a 'College Credit Plus/Student Acknowledgement Form' section containing 12 numbered conditions regarding program eligibility, course completion, GPA, transportation, and exam schedules. It also includes signature lines for the student and parent.