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# Annual Information Session

*for Public School Families & Students*

2023-2024 School Year

CollegeCredit  
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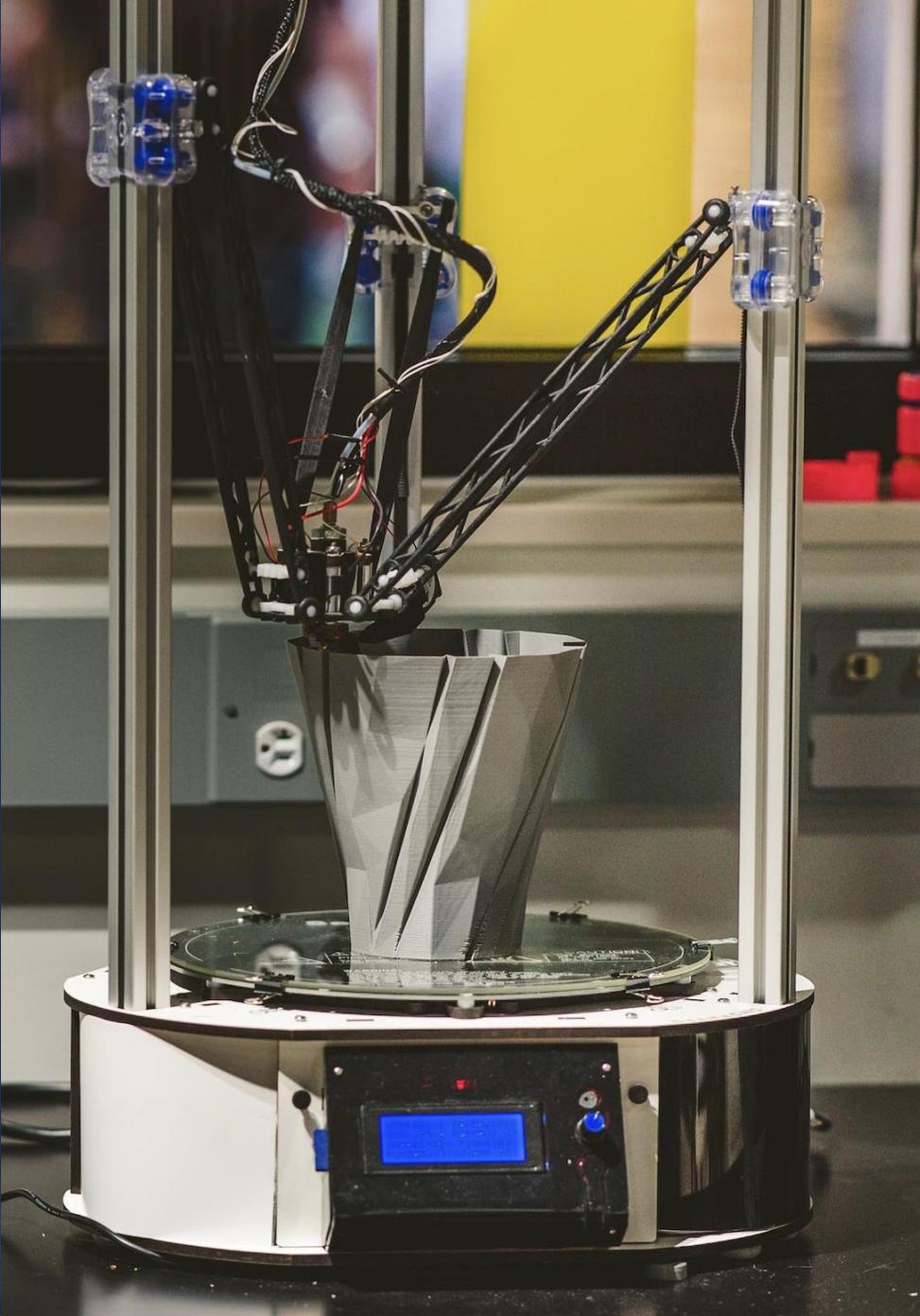
# What is College Credit Plus?

## 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 requirements of the college

# Students in Grades 7-12

- Must be determined “eligible” for College Credit Plus
  - \*See state CCP website for new eligibility rules
- May apply to any public college or participating private college
- May apply to and attend multiple institutions
- Must be Ohio residents



# Students in Grades 7-12

- 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  
(One 3+ Credit Hour Course = One High School Unit)
- 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. Both transcripts will match.

# Students in Grades 7-12

- May take classes during the summer, fall, & spring semesters
- May take courses at the high school<sup>1</sup>, college campus, or online

*<sup>1</sup>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*



# How can Students Participate?

## Step 1: Eligibility

Students must be “eligible” for College Credit Plus participation based on assessment exam scores or unweighted high school GPA

# Student Eligibility Assessment Exam

- Students' scores must show that they are ready for "college-level" courses in at least one subject area on an exam such as ACT, SAT, Accuplacer, ALEKS, PlaceU, or MapleSoft
- Each college/university may have different exam requirements

# Student Eligibility Assessment Exam

- Colleges and universities will review students' scores using statewide standards
- 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 high school GPA of at least 3.0 or successfully passing a relevant high school (as applicable to institution)

# SSU's Testing & Requirements

- SSU prefers the ACT; however, if you have not taken the ACT, you may take the Accuplacer. **Accuplacer testing for CCP eligibility will begin January 2022.**
  - SSU will accept Accuplacer scores from other institutions; however, the scores must be sent to our Admissions Office from the institution in which you took the Accuplacer.
- Students currently in SSU's CCP program **DO NOT** have to retest each year unless they are trying to become eligible in an area in which they previously were not.

# How can students participate?

## Step 2: College Admission

- Students must apply for CCP 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.
- 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.

# SSU Application Process

- **Application deadlines: April 1, 2023 for Summer/Fall 2023 and November 1, 2023 for Spring 2024.**
  - SSU has **two** application deadlines for the 2023-2024 academic year. Online applications will be available at [www.shawnee.edu/ccp](http://www.shawnee.edu/ccp)
  - No late applications are accepted unless the student is new to the school district **after** the application deadline.
- Complete an application and submit it even if you are unsure if you want to participate in CCP. There is no penalty for applying and not registering for classes.
- If you register for classes and then change your mind, you must drop by the 100% refund date to avoid being charged for the classes.
- CCP Orientation is mandatory for students taking classes on campus at SSU. **Orientation dates are TBD**



# How can students participate?

## Step 3: Course Registration

If the student is considered eligible and has been admitted to the college, then the College Credit Plus administrator 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

# What courses can a student take?

College advisors will help students know which courses they can take, based on:

- Assessment scores
- Course prerequisites
- Course eligibility rules
- First 15 pathways

# What courses can a student take?

## Mature Content

- "The subject matter of a course enrolled in under the college credit plus program may include mature subject matter or materials, including those of a graphic, explicit, violent, or sexual nature, that will not be modified based upon college credit plus enrollee participation regardless of where course instruction occurs."



# 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, [www.shawnee.edu/ccp](http://www.shawnee.edu/ccp)
- Once a student completes the First 15 credit hours in Level I, he or she can move to Level II courses, which 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 music lessons)
- Courses with high fees
- Study abroad courses
- Physical education courses
- Pass/Fail graded courses
- Remedial courses or 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

# 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
- In addition, students should consider courses in a career pathway that interests them. Ask about pathways that identify courses leading to a major or degree requirements



## How many classes can students take?

- Students may be enrolled in up to 30 semester credit hours per year, including high school courses:  
 $30 - (\text{secondary school units} \times 3) = \text{max CCP credits}$
- The maximum number of credits allowable over the life of the program is 120

# How many classes can students take?

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

- Drop the course or
- Pay for the entire course (including tuition, fees, books) at the college's standard rates



# 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?

## Grade Opportunities

- 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?

## 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 college degrees or certificates
- Experience college early to understand the expectations of college life
- Save tuition and textbook costs



## What are the consequences of underperforming?

- If students fail or withdraw too late from college courses, the district may require students/ families to repay the cost of tuition that the district had paid
  - \*If a student is considered “economically disadvantaged,” a school may not seek reimbursement
- The grades that students earn will be on the students’college transcripts permanently

# What are the consequences of underperforming?

- If students fail or withdraw often, future financial aid may be also impacted negatively [*Contact the college's financial aid office for more information about Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)*]
- 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 the student previously earned a D, F, NC grade (or equivalent).



# 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
- At the end of the dismissal term, the student can request (appeal) to be reinstated in the program

# Underperforming Student Rules

## CCP Probation & Dismissal Appeals

- **CCP Probation:** a student may appeal in order 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.
- *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
- At private colleges or universities, students may be charged a small cost per credit hour
- Some optional expenses are the responsibility of the student/ family  
*(Example: Parking and transportation)*

# What are the expenses for College Credit Plus?

- 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 at the standard rate of tuition, fees, and textbooks (Option A)
- 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 College Credit Plus

# What support services are 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 support to College Credit Plus students as they do other students
  - Tutoring, SSU Math Center, SSU Writing Center



# 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
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 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 & organizational skills
- Consider comfort and past success in online learning if you are interested in taking an online course

# What does being “college-ready” mean?

## **Your academic performance in CCP matters**

- 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)

# What are the deadlines?

**April 1, 2023**(Guidance Office due to SSU date) **Please speak with your guidance counselor for the preferred due date.**

- Students must complete and return the Intent to Participate form to the school office

**Check ACT and SAT testing dates**

- Test early to meet college/university admission deadlines (if required)



# What are the deadlines?

## College/Universities

- Check each college's deadline for admission  
**SSU Deadlines:**  
April 1, 2023 for Summer/Fall 2023 and  
November 1, 2023 for Spring 2024
- Find out about assessment testing  
Requirements
- Summer semester students should apply  
earlier as some summer classes begin in May.

Do you have other questions?

**Visit the CCP website for  
additional resources:  
[www.ohiohighered.org/ccp](http://www.ohiohighered.org/ccp)**



## For additional questions or to apply to CCP

- To Apply go to [www.shawnee.edu/ccp](http://www.shawnee.edu/ccp)
- SSU CCP Orientation—TBD
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