Annual Information Session
for Public School Families & Students

2021-2022 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 requirements of the college.
Students in Grades 7-12

- Must complete an assessment exam and be determined “eligible” for College Credit Plus
- May apply to any public college or participating private college
- May apply to 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
Students in Grades 7-12

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

1The 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.
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.
 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
  - Recommendation form/letter (from school counselor, principal, or career-technical advisor)
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 2021.**

- SSU is setting up remote testing with as many high schools as possible.
- 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.
- Remote Placement Test options will be available January 2021.

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.
Step 2: College Admission

- Students must apply for CCP admission.
- Contact the college to learn about their requirements, processes, paperwork, and deadlines.
- Colleges have the final decision on student admission.
SSU Application Process

- Application deadline May 1, 2021.
- SSU has one application deadline for the entire 2021-2022 academic year. Online application available at www.shawnee.edu/ccp
- 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.
- No late applications are accepted unless the student is new to the school district after the application deadline.
- 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 TBD
Step 3: Course Registration

If the student is considered eligible and has been admitted to the college, then the college credit plus advisor will discuss course options with the student, based on assessment scores, prerequisites, and other requirements.
College advisors will help students know which courses they can take, based on:

- Assessment scores
- Course prerequisites
- Course eligibility rules
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.
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.
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
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.

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- 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.
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.
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
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)
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.
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 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.
- 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.
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.
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 the college course in the same subject in which student previously earned D, F, NC grade (or equivalent).
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.
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 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
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.
Being “college-ready” is more than just being academically ready

- Consider emotional and social transition and college expectations
- Consider time management & organizational skills
May 1, 2021 (Guidance Office due too 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 Deadline: May 1, 2021 online application)
▪ Find out about assessment testing requirements
▪ Summer semester students should apply earlier as classes usually start in May.
Visit the CCP website for additional resources: www.ohiohigherered.org/ccp

Do you have other questions?
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For additional questions or to apply to CCP