Annual Information Session for Non-Public/Private Schools



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



Students in Grades 7 through 12:

Must be Ohio residents and

- Attend an Ohio secondary school (public or private) or
- Receive homeschooling instruction



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



Students in Grades 7 through 12:

 Must complete an assessment exam and be determined "eligible" based on exam scores for College Credit Plus

- *NOTE: Additional options for "eligible" determination are being considered*
 - Discuss this with a college advisor



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



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



Students in Grades 7 through 12:

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



CCP Course Content

Parents, please note: "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."



Step 1: Eligibility

Students must be "eligible" for College Credit Plus participation based on assessment exam scores



Student Eligibility Assessment Exams

 Students' scores must show that they are ready for "college-level" courses in at least one subtest on an exam

- 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



Student Eligibility Assessment Exams

 Colleges and universities will review students' scores using statewide standards

- *NOTE: Additional options for eligibility determination are being considered*
 - Discuss this with a college advisor



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.



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.



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



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:
 - Then College Credit Plus courses will be weighted using the same scale in order to calculate the student's grade point average and class rank
 - College Credit Plus Course are given a 5.0 GPA scale



 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



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



- Nonpublic/Private School Students must apply for College Credit
 Plus funding every year
 - Families must establish an OH|ID and request access to the CCP Funding Application
 - Families must complete the entire CCP Funding Application by the deadline (February 1st April 1st @ 5pm)



 Approximately five weeks after the deadline, funds will be awarded to families with completed applications in the form of "Credit Hours"

■ The number of "Credit Hours" a student is awarded is the maximum a student can enroll with state funds



- Funds are limited and students may not be awarded all credit hours that the student/family has requested
- Funding awards are distributed based on student grade level
 - ■12th grade students are awarded first, then 11th grade, and so on until all funds are awarded



- Students must provide a copy of the Funding Award letter to the college
 - When a student uses the state funds for college courses, this is Option B
 - Option B is the default option of College Credit Plus
 - Students will earn both college credit and high school credit



- Students must be awarded enough credit hours for the entire college course
 - If a student was not awarded enough credit hours for the entire college course, the family must pay for the entire course without state funds
 - By paying for the course that exceeds the funding award, this is Option A
 - Under Option A, the student/ family must work directly with the college to arrange to make payment



- Option A allows the student to choose to earn both college credit and high school credit OR only college credit
- Option A must be elected at the time the student registers for college courses
- Students must inform the college and the secondary school of electing Option A and which credit the student wants to earn



Step 1:

- Parent/guardian must create an OH|ID at https://ohid.ohio.gov
- This step can be completed at any time
- Allow a few days for the OH|ID to be assigned
- If a parent already has an OH|ID, the parent should use the existing OH|ID



Step 2:

- Parent/guardian will use the OH|ID to log into the https://safe.ode.state.oh.us/portal
- Parent/guardian should follow the steps in the Instruction Manual to request access to the College Credit Plus Funding Application
 - The Instruction Manual will be available when the Funding Application is "opened" in February



Step 3:

- When the parent/guardian has access to the Funding Application, one of the first sections to complete is the Intent to Participate
 - There is no separate form for this step; it is included in the electronic Funding Application
- Read the information and click on the appropriate field to confirm the Intent to Participate



- Private school students/families must upload the college
 acceptance letter indicating that the student has been admitted to the college
 - Apply early for admission in order to meet the final deadline of April 1 @
 5pm



Step 4:

 Complete all sections of the Funding Application and upload the required documents

Click on "Submit" when the application is finished



Step 4 (continued):

■ The deadline for submitting the application is April 1 @ 5pm!

You will receive an email confirmation that you have successfully submitted the application

No exceptions to the deadline are available!



- If parents have any difficulties with the Funding Application, contact <u>ccp@education.ohio.gov</u> for assistance as quickly as possible
- Keep in mind that many families will be applying and possibly seeking assistance – Apply early!
 - Remember the Funding Application will be available in early February and the deadline is April 1 @ 5pm
 - Check the website for information: www.ohiohighered.org/ccp/students-families



How do we apply for funding?

- Approximately five weeks after the deadline, "Credit Hour" funds will be awarded to families with completed applications
 - The number of "Credit Hours" a student is awarded is the maximum in which a student can enroll with state funds
- Families will be instructed to log into the OH|ID portal and the application to download a Funding Award Letter
- Families should provide that letter to the 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)



Knowledge Acquisition

- High School: Information provided mostly in-class. Out-ofclass research is minimal
- College: Coursework will generally require more independent thinking, longer writing assignments, and outof-class research



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



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



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 CCP is free!



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



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 a college course in the same subject in which student previously earned D, F, NC grade (or equivalent grade)



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



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



• At public colleges or universities, there will be no cost to the students/families for tuition, required fees, and books

Reminders:

- Private school families must apply for state funding
- Any course that exceeds the state funding is the financial responsibility of the family
- Some optional expenses are the responsibility of the student/ family (Examples: Parking and transportation)



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



Students must complete the electronic application process
 by April 1 @ 5pm

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 "selfpay" for the college courses (Option A)



- 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)



- Students can choose Option B all college course tuition, fees, and textbooks will be paid by the state of Ohio which is provided through the Funding Application process
- Under Option B, students will earn college credit and high school credit

Students must provide a copy of the funding letter to the college to show that funds have been awarded



 Students must inform the college and the secondary 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 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 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



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- 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?

February 1 - April 1 @ 5pm

Private school families must complete the electronic Intent to Participate form and the Funding Application at https://safe.ode.state.oh.us/portal

Check ACT and SAT testing dates

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

Semester deadlines

Summer semester deadline will be early as classes usually start in May Check with the college for all other semester deadlines

HOW DO YOU GET STARTED?

 Apply for admission at the college of choice before the deadline

 Contact the college and discuss assessment testing requirements



HOW DO YOU GET STARTED?

 Start the funding process early and submit the application by the deadline

- Meet with your school counselor to discuss scheduling and graduation requirements
 - Most MCS students will take their CCP classes online unless the class is scheduled after regular school hours
 - Student are placed in a study hall to work on their CCP class during the school day.

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Do you have other questions?

Visit the CCP website for additional resources:

www.ohiohighered.org/ccp

