



***Counseling Session for CMHS
Families and Students***

***Information for the
2018-2019 School Year***



What is College Credit Plus?

- College Credit Plus is Ohio's dual credit program
 - Upon finishing a course, students earn high school and college credit at the same time
 - 3+ Credit Hours = 1 High School Unit
 - Students enroll in college courses and adhere to the requirements of the college

What is College Credit Plus?

- Students in Grades 7 through 12:
 - Must complete an assessment exam and be determined “eligible” for College Credit Plus
 - May choose from a variety of college-level courses (as determined by placement testing)
 - May apply to any public college or any participating private college
 - May apply to multiple institutions

What is College Credit Plus?

- Students in Grades 7 through 12:
 - May take classes in the summer, fall, and spring semesters
 - May take courses at CMHS, at a college campus, or online (including a combination of these)

How can students participate?

- Step 1:

- Complete the “Letter of Intent to Participate in CCP” (available in the counseling office or on CMHS’s website; click on “Departments” → “School Counseling” → “CCP” (due by April 10))

- Step 2:

- Visit the website of the college you’re interested in and find out their CCP requirements

Links to Popular Local College/Universities

Sinclair: <http://www.sinclair.edu/academics/k12/ccp/>

Southern State:

<https://www.sccc.edu/admissions/guidelines/college-credit-plus.shtml>

Wright State: <https://www.wright.edu/college-credit-plus>

University of Cincinnati: Blue Ash:


<http://www.ucblueash.edu/admissions/collegecreditplus.html>

Miami Middletown:

<http://miamioh.edu/regionals/admission/college-credit-plus/index.html>



CCP Contacts for Local Colleges

- Sinclair--ccplus@sinclair.edu
- Southern State--lhord@sscc.edu
- Wright State
University--ccpadvising-uc@wright.edu
- UC Blue Ash--cindy.jones@uc.edu
- Miami
Middletown--ccpreregionals@miamioh.edu PLUS

How can students participate?

Step 3: Determine Your Testing Eligibility

- Students must be “eligible” for College Credit Plus participation based on assessment exam scores
- Assessment exam examples:
 - ACT, SAT, Accuplacer, ALEKS, PlaceU, MapleSoft, WritePlacer
- Each college/university has different exam requirements

How can students participate?

- Check with the college you're interested in to learn what test/scores are required and register to test.
- Students' scores must indicate that they are ready for "college-level" courses in at least one subject area
- Colleges and universities will review students' scores using statewide standards

How can students participate?

- If a student's scores are not “college-ready,” other conditions may be considered, depending on the exam scores and whether the student has:
 - Overall GPA (3.0) or
 - Recommendation form/letter
- Ultimately, the college will decide whether your scores are sufficient

How can students participate?

- Step 4: Apply for Admission
 - Students must apply for admission
 - Contact the college to learn about their processes, paperwork and deadlines
 - Make sure that you are applying as a CCP student (and not an undergraduate)
 - Colleges have the final decision on student admission

How can students participate?

- Step 5: Meet your college advisor
 - If the student is considered eligible and has been admitted to the college/university, then the college will discuss course options with the student
 - Your advisor will help you select classes:
 - Based on assessment scores
 - Based on course prerequisites

What courses can a student take?

- Courses can satisfy high school graduation requirements or can just be elective credits
 - School counselors can help students understand requirements and course substitutions
- Courses cannot be remedial in nature
- Courses must be non-religious
- No physical education courses allowed
- No one-on-one private instruction courses
- No study abroad courses
- No courses with fees that exceed the amount set by the Chancellor (to be determined)

What about grades?

Grades:

- CCP grades earned in the college course are the same grades that will be on the high school transcript (this includes “W” and “F”)
- CCP grades will also appear on the college transcript (which will be requested when a student applies for undergraduate studies)
- Grades will be factored into the high school and college GPAs

What about multipliers?

Grades

- Since CMHS has weighted courses, all CCP courses will have a multiplier (which will affect weighted GPA)
- Core-content courses (English, math, science, and history) will have a 1.25 multiplier; all non-core-content courses will have a 1.15 multiplier.
- These multipliers apply to all CCP courses, regardless of class format (online, at campus, in-person).

State Testing Requirements

- Students must complete End of Course exams (state tests) for English, math, and science.
- Students must take English I, English II, Algebra, and Geometry at CMHS and take the corresponding EOC exam.
- Students may take Biology as a CCP course, but they must take the Biology EOC exam. They can use either the EOC score or their CCP class grade as their score.
- Students may take U.S. History and Government as CCP courses and use their class grade in place of their EOC score.

State Testing--Grades as Scores

If a student elects to use his/her CCP class grade in lieu of an EOC test (where permissible), the score will be:

Class Grade:	Ohio Graduation Points:
A or B	5
C	4
D	3
F (or drop/withdraw from the course)	0

How many classes can students take?

- Students may be enrolled in up to 30 credit hours (per year) including non-CCP high school courses:

$$30 - (\text{high school credits} \times 3) =$$

Maximum college credit hours

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

What if I sign up for too many hours?

- If you enroll in more than 30 credit hours (total for summer, fall, and spring):
 - The student must decide whether to:
 - Drop the course or
 - Pay for the entire course (at the tuition rate that traditional students pay--not the CCP rate given to high schools)
- CMHS counselors will help you calculate the number of hours in which you're enrolled.


What will it cost?

- If a student enrolls in more than 30 credit hours and pays for the course:
 - Student/family will assume the cost of course credits and books at the college's standard rates
- You would need to contact your college's CCP office to find out an exact cost.


What are differences between high school and college?

High School	College (CCP Classes)
Tests given often (weekly or at the end of a chapter)	Tests given sparingly and cover a lot more material
Studying/homework requires 1-3 hours per day	Studying/homework requires 2-3 hours of homework for every hour spent in class
Information provided in class with lecture, notes, and discussion	Coursework requires independence, long reading/writing assignments, and research

What are differences between high school and college?

High School	College (CCP Classes)
Grades come from numerous homework assignments, projects, class participation, quizzes, and tests	Grades come from few (if any) homework assignments and few tests/assignments
Parents help with homework and communicate with teachers/counselors regarding progress	Student is responsible for all work; the parent serves only as mentor/support.
Teachers present every day and can work one-on-one with kids during class, during plan, and before and after school	Professors have limited availability (office hours). Large class sizes may result in no one-on-one help available. 

What are differences between high school and college?

High School	College (CCP Classes)
<p>Students, parents, teachers, counselors, and administrators are responsible for a student's success and all available resources (tutoring, technology, study guides, reminders, etc.) are given to students to help them succeed.</p>	<p>Students are responsible for their success, with support from parents, professors, and college advisor.</p>
	 The logo for CollegeCredit PLUS. The word "CollegeCredit" is in a blue sans-serif font, with a small blue graduation cap icon above the letter 'o' in "College". The word "PLUS" is in a smaller, bold, blue sans-serif font below "CollegeCredit". A horizontal line of small blue triangles is positioned below "PLUS".

What are differences between high school and college?

You are signing up as a college student:

- The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) protects student education records
- FERPA states that parents cannot check up on grades; students will not receive an interim grade
- CMMS/CMHS School Counselors will not advise you on what CCP classes to take (only on what will meet graduation requirements)
- Students (not their parents) are responsible to handle all things CCP

What are some benefits of participating?

- Students can earn high school and college credits at the same time
- Students can get a “head start” on college degrees or certificates
- Students can begin to understand some of the expectations of college life
- Students can save on tuition/textbook costs

What are the possible repercussions of participating?

- If students fail or withdraw too late (after the college's set drop date) from a college course, C-M will seek reimbursement for the tuition costs from the student/family. So far in 2017-2018, CMHS students have owed \$2,325.18 for classes from which they have withdrawn or failed.
- Typically, students have between 7-14 days to drop a class without being charged; this may not be enough time in a class for a student to decide he/she wants to withdraw. By the time he/she decides, it may be too late.

What are the possible repercussions of participating?

- The grades that students earn are on the college transcript forever and will be reviewed by all colleges when a student applies as an undergraduate.
- Failures/withdraws will affect a student's college GPA.
- Failures/withdraws also go on the high school transcript. Withdraws do not affect GPA, but a failure will impact GPA. If a student retakes a course, the grade will be replaced on the high school transcript, but it is never replaced on the college transcript.
- So far this year, six students have received a W and Fs have been given for seven CCP classes.

What are the consequences of underperforming?

- If students perform poorly, they may be placed on academic probation or be dismissed by the college
- If students fail or withdraw often, future financial aid may be impacted negatively (the college sees it as not making satisfactory progress toward a degree, for which they can deny financial aid)
- If a student is taking a class as a part of his/her high school graduation requirements, he/she may have to repeat the course if he/she gets an F or a W.

What are the possible repercussions of participating?

- A student is placed on **CCP probation** when he/she:
 - Has earned lower than a 2.0 cumulative GPA in college courses OR
 - Withdraws from two or more courses in the same term
- When a student is on CCP probation, the student:
 - May enroll in no more than one college course
 - May not enroll in the college course in the same subject in which the student previously earned a D or F (or received no credit)
- A student will remain on probation until the student has improved cumulative college GPA to 2.0 or higher (maximum of two terms).

What are the possible repercussions of participating?

- If a student has met the definition of CCP probation for two consecutive college terms, he/she will be put on **CCP dismissal**.
- Once dismissed, a student cannot enroll in college courses for the following college term.
- After one term on CCP dismissal, the student may request CMHS to allow the student to participate. CMHS will determine whether a student may continue on dismissal, move back to probation, or participate without restrictions per the school's adopted policy (TBA for CMHS).

What are the expenses for College Credit Plus?

- 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.
- Optional expenses (such as parking fees and transportation costs) are the responsibility of the student/family.

What are the support services for students?

- High school counselors continue to provide assistance to all College Credit Plus students for matters related to the high school/graduation
- College advisors provide course selection assistance
- Colleges must provide the same supports 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 may not 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 public college to another public college
- Students must check with colleges to confirm transferability
- Students should check <https://transfercredit.ohio.gov/> for transfer info

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 how grades earned will impact high school and college transcripts and GPAs
 - College Credit Plus credits will be utilized in the calculation of financial aid

What are the deadlines?

- April 10, 2018
 - Students must complete and return to the CMMS or CMHS counseling office the *Intent to Participate* form. If the form is not turned in by April 10, a student will not participate in CCP for the 2018-2019 school year.
- Check ACT and SAT dates
 - Test early to meet college/university admission deadlines (if required). You can register for the April 14 ACT until March 9 (or register late with fee until March 23).

What are the deadlines?

- College/Universities
 - Check each college's deadline for admission (May 1 for Sinclair)
 - Find out about assessment/testing requirements and where/how/when to test
 - Summer semester deadline will be early, as classes usually start in May

Do you have other questions?

www.ohiohighered.org/ccp

Sinclair Procedures

(required for all CCP classes held at CMHS)

- Turn in your “Letter of Intent” form (by April 10)
- Go online and apply to Sinclair as a CCP student; May 1 is the last day to apply
- Submit the “Authorization” form (once signed by you, your parent, and your counselor) to your counselor
- WritePlacer/ALEKS testing (to qualify as a student) will take at CMHS in April; listen for announcements and sign up on email.

Issues That We Saw This Year

- Students dropping/adding a LOT of classes
 - Solution: make sure you are ready for CCP
 - Solution: work with your college advisor to choose the right classes
- Students with Ws and Fs
 - Solution: make sure you are ready for CCP
- Students not checking their e-mail (from CMHS and/or the college) resulting in feeling that they didn't know what was going on.
 - Solution: check your GAPPS and college email often; many colleges use email exclusively.

Issues That We Saw This Year

- Students who didn't know that they were registered for classes; all off-campus CCP registrations/drops/add/withdraws are the student's responsibility; not the parent's or the school counselor's.
 - Solution: the student must communicate with the college advisor to ensure his/her schedule is correct
- Students not communicating drop/adds with the school counseling office; this can lead to credit/graduation issues and/or financial issues (ex: over 30 hours).
 - Solution: Always let your counselor know that you have registered for a class (or dropped/added/withdrawn) immediately.

Issues That We Saw This Year

- CMHS teacher concern that “testing college ready” doesn’t mean a student is ready for CCP classes; it is more than an honors/advanced class. Be prepared for college-level writing and research.
- Parents who wanted to help too much
 - Solution: remember that the student should make appointments, phone calls, and emails for himself/herself. Do your best to let your student handle it; by participating in this program, he/she is a college student. If the student isn’t ready for the responsibility, consider not signing up.

Issues That We Saw This Year

- If you are off-campus for classes, don't forget about CMHS classes you may want to take (band, choir, technology, art, Spanish, etc.); consider a mixed CCP and non-CCP schedule.
- Some students who are doing off-campus classes are not able to participate fully in leadership/community activities at CMHS (such as Student Council, Key Club, NHS, etc.). This could have an effect on your college applications/scholarship applications.

Possible CCP Courses Offered at CMHS for 2018-2019:

English Composition I	English Composition II	Intro to Literature
General Psychology* Intro to Sociology*	Physics*	Human Anatomy and Physiology I*
Human Anatomy and Physiology II*	Intro to Managerial Accounting	Intro to Financial Accounting
Music Appreciation	College Algebra^	Trigonometry^
Calculus	Beginning American Sign Language I**	Beginning American Sign Language II**

*online class with CMHS teacher as a proctor

**Sinclair professor teaching at CMHS

^when taken together, these equal Pre-Calc (at Sinclair)

