Shawnee High School College Credit Plus Meeting

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Thursday, February 16th

• 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

• Available for students in grades 7 through 12

• Must be Ohio resident and attending Ohio secondary school

- 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

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

- 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

• May take classes during the summer, fall, & spring semesters

- May take courses at the high school*, college campus, or online
 - *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: College Admission

- Step One: Apply for 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.
- 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.

How can students participate? Step 2: Eligibility

• **2023-2024 Eligibility:** A student is eligible for the "College Credit Plus" program if the student meets any of the following criteria:

 NOTE: YOU WILL NOT BE ADMITTED TO CCP BY THE COLLEGE UNLESS YOU MEET COLLEGE READINESS IN AT LEAST ONE AREA. ADMISSION BY CLARK STATE IS REQUIRED IN ORDER TO TAKE AN CCP COURSE AT SHAWNEE.

How can students participate? Step 2: Eligibility

- (1) Obtains a remediation-free score on one of the standard assessment exams such as the Accuplacer or the ACT
- <u>The Accuplacer</u>
 - Can be taken in place of ACT at either Shawnee (see Mrs. Aills in the media center) or test at Clark State (set up an appointment by calling the testing center at 937.328.6049 or register online
 - The Accuplacer us untimed; it is free the first time but there is a charge to retest
 - Practice questions on the Clark State website (Placement Testing)
 - Waiting periods between retesting opportunities
 - Tests: Reading, Writing, Math has two tests: Advanced Algebraic Functions (AAF) and Quantitative Reasoning (QAS)

How can students participate? Step 2: Eligibility

- <u>The ACT/SAT</u> is another way to meet eligibility requirements.
 - The Class of 2024 will take the ACT on March 14, 2023 for free. All other students should take it no later than April. Make sure to list Clark State as a college to receive your scores. If you do not have your test scores sent to Clark State (or the college that you plan to attend), then you have to fill out a request in the Guidance Office for us to send your scores. This could cause a delay in your full admission to the college.

- (2) Another way to become eligible for CCP is to have a <u>cumulative unweighted high school grade</u> <u>point average of at least 3.00</u>.
 - If you have a cumulative gpa of 3.0, then you must go to <u>www.parchment.com</u> and request your transcript to be sent to <u>ccp@clarkstate.edu</u> (if you are going to Clark State) or the admissions office to the college that you plan to attend.

How can students participate? Step 3: Course Registration

- 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
- Course Selection must also be approved by the high school counselor.

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

- 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 – 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)
 - \circ Courses with high fees
 - Study abroad courses
 - Physical education courses
 - Pass/Fail graded courses
 - Remedial courses or sectarian/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 in order to calculate the student's grade point average and class rank

• 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

How many classes can students take?

- Students may be enrolled in up to 30 credits per year, which includes high school courses.
 - 30 hour rule calculation:
 - 30 (secondary school units x 3) = max CCP credits
 - If a student enrolls in more than 30 credits for the year, the school will discuss with the student whether to:
 - Drop the course (prior to the no-fault withdrawal date) or
 - Pay for the entire course (including tuition, fees, books) at the college's standard rates (Option A)

• The maximum number of credit hours allowable for a student while participating in the program is 120

Example of 30 hour rule

4 high school classes x 3 hours=12 hours

30-12=18 CCP hours available for summer, fall and spring semesters

What are differences between high school & college?

• Tests

- \circ 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

- ^b 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-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?

• 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
- 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
- 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?

- 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

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
 - 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)

Are you college ready?? Ask yourself these questions and be honest...

Do you earn all As and Bs in your most rigorous courses and turn in all your assignments on time without prompting from teachers or parents?

Are you self-motivated to do your best work?

Do you ask for help when you need it?

Are you organized?

Are you a good time manager and use your time wisely?

Are you prompt, never, or very rarely late for class or appointments?

Do you have good attendance in person and virtual?

Do you advocate for yourself?

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
 - *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
- 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 on 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

• 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)

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
- 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

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

• Some optional expenses are the responsibility of the student/ family (Examples: Parking and transportation)

• Students must complete the Intent to Participate form and provide to the public school by April 1, 2023*

What are the expenses for College Credit Plus? Option A or B

• 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 (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)

What are the expenses for College Credit Plus? Option A or B

- 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
 - Students may be asked to confirm the election of Option B during the college advising process

Textbooks

- Students must check with Mrs. Aills (media center) and Mrs. Farrell (main office) about their CCP textbooks.
- CCP students **ARE NOT TO ORDER OR PURCHASE** any textbooks from the college bookstore or you will be responsible for the cost.
- All textbooks must be returned to the media center at the end of the semester as they are the property of the Clark-Shawnee Local School District.
- If the textbook is lost, damaged, or not returned, the cost of the book will be added to the student's fees.
- If a student drops a class that has a lab kit, art kit, online access card, etc., the student will be responsible for the cost of that item(s).

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 supports to College Credit Plus students such as tutoring, library access, advising/counseling

Support Services/504 and IEP

• Support Services are available for CCP students who have an IEP or 504 plan as determined by the college.

• The CCP student must contact the Office of Disability Services at the college/university and provide documentation they need to evaluate the type of supports the institution will approve.

Athletic Eligibility

• Learn the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) requirements; athletes are responsible to make sure they meet eligibility requirements.

• Know that summer term CCP courses cannot be used to bring a student into compliance with the OHSAA requirements for interscholastic athletic participation

Selective Service

• Male students who are 18 years of age and are Ohio residents are required to register with the Selective Service System.

• The male student is required to provide his Selective Service number to the public college or university within 30 days of his 18th birthday; if he does not, he will not be considered a CCP student for that current term and will be responsible for the tuition, textbooks, and/or fees for the classes for which he is enrolled (at the out-of-state college rate).

Shawnee Scheduling

- After the academic term begins, CCP students may not:
 - Drop a scheduled high school class and have the course/grade expunged from academic transcripts.
 - Receive partial credit for a high school class not completed.
 - Be granted early dismissal from a high school class.
 - Be granted late arrival to a high school class.
 - Drop a CCP class without speaking to their respective HS counselor first.

Scheduling Conflicts

• Scheduling conflicts of college courses, high school courses, and school activities are not the responsibility of the Clark-Shawnee Local School District.

• Be sure to allow plenty of time for travel and parking between the ending time of a high school course and the beginning time of the college course.

• Students should remember that if Shawnee is closed, the college is more than likely still open, and you are expected to attend class.

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 are the deadlines?

• April 1, 2023

- Students must complete and return the Intent to Participate form to the school office if they plan to take CCP classes; if the form is not submitted, then the student will not be eligible to participate in CCP
- The Intent to Participate Form does not obligate the student to participate in CCP

• Check ACT and SAT testing dates

- Test early to meet college/university admission deadlines (if required)
- \circ All Juniors will take the ACT on March 14

• Semester deadlines

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

How do you get started?

- 1. Complete the Intent to Participate form and provide to the school office before the deadline of **APRIL 1, 2023**
- 2. Apply for admission at the college of choice before the deadline
- 3. Contact the college and discuss assessment testing requirements and orientation date/time so that you can schedule classes
- 4. Meet with your school counselor to discuss scheduling and graduation requirements
 - a. A CCP student must be full-time status.

Need additional information?

• Visit the CCP website for additional resources: <u>https://highered.ohio.gov/initiatives/access-acceleration/college-credit-plus/ccp</u>

- Contact the Shawnee HS guidance office:
 - Mrs. Brown guidance secretary (<u>sarah.brown@cslocal.org</u>)
 - Mrs. Hibbs last names A-L (<u>amy.hibbs@cslocal.org</u>)
 - Mrs. Shong last names M-Z (<u>melinda.shong@cslocal.org</u>)