

**CCC College
Credit Plus
Informational
Meeting
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What is College Credit Plus?

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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

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- 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

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- 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
- Central Catholic students usually take classes in the summer.

How can
students
participate?

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Step 1: Eligibility

Students must be “eligible” for College Credit Plus participation based on assessment exam scores taken at the college.

Student Eligibility Assessment Exams

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

Student Eligibility Assessment Exams

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- 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)

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Step 2: College Admission

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

**How can
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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

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

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 in study skills, academic or career success.

Course Eligibility Rules

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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?

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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
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requirements?**

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Grade Weighting

- If a high school uses a weighted grading scale for Advanced Placement 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?

- 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

**What are
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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?**

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Nonpublic/private school students must apply for College Credit Plus funding every year.

- After applying, families will be notified of the maximum number of credit hours that will be paid for through College Credit Plus
- Students/families may choose to pay for additional courses on their own

How do
students
apply for
funding?

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Step 1: OH|ID Account

- A parent/guardian must create an OH|ID account at: <https://ohid.ohio.gov>
- This can be done at anytime!

Please note: the SAFE Portal has been integrated with the OH|ID System. If you already have an OH|ID account you do not need to create a new one.

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Step 2: Application Access

- Once the parent has a OH|ID account, follow the online directions for requesting access to the College Credit Plus funding application.

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Step 3: Intent Form

- Once access to the funding application is granted, complete the *Intent to Participate* Section before **April 1, 2024**.
- The *Intent to Participate* form is part of the online funding application. **There is no separate paper form.**

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Step 4: Complete & Submit Application

- Complete each section of the funding application & upload the required documents in the parent's OH|ID account.
- **SUBMIT** the application before the **April 1, 2024** deadline! *No exceptions & no extensions to the deadline are available.*
- You will receive an email confirmation that you have successfully submitted the application.

How do students get their funding?

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Award Letters

- Within a few weeks, parents will receive an email notification that the funding award letter is available.
- Follow the instructions to log-in to the OH|ID account and download the funding letter.
- Provide that letter to your college.

Funding Awards

If you choose to register for courses before funding awards are finalized and the student is not awarded enough credits to cover the courses:

- Family will have to self-pay at the college's standard rate or
- Student must drop the courses

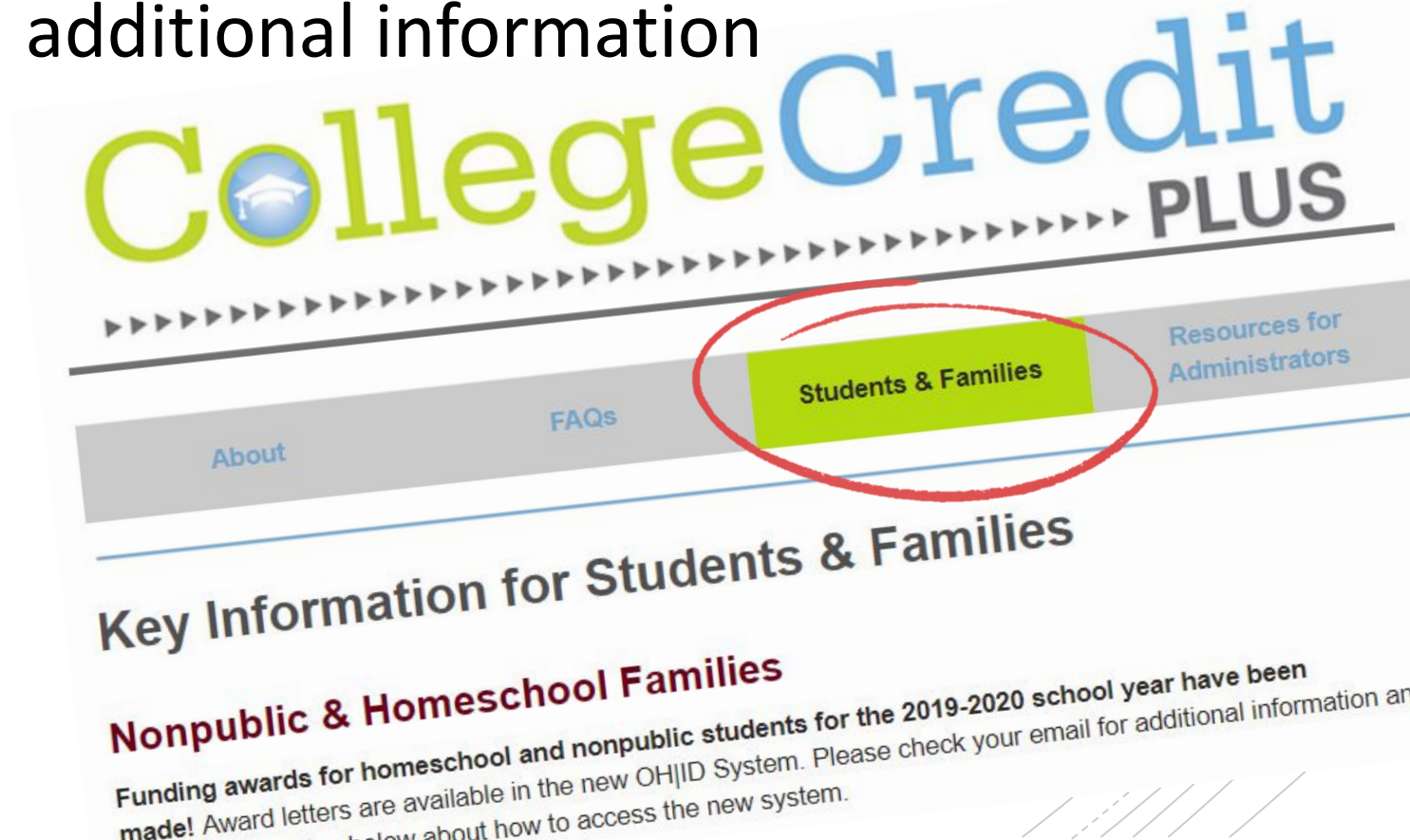
Funding Application Deadlines

- The application process will begin in February 2024 for the 2024-2025 school year.
- **Remember**: The deadline is **April 1, 2024 at 5 p.m. EST**

More Funding Application Questions?

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- Visit www.ohiohighered.org/ccp
- Click on the **Students & Families** tab for updated instructions & additional information



What are
differences
between high
school &
college?

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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
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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
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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

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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

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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?

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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 to the state of Ohio
- 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 on CCP Probation, CCP Dismissal or on academic probation or dismissal.

What are the expenses for College Credit Plus?

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- 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 support services 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 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 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 & organizational skills

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Being “college-ready” is more than just being academically ready

- Grades earned in a CCP course are for high school AND college credit 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

What are the
deadlines?

College/Universities

- Check each college's deadline for admission
- Find out about assessment testing requirements
- Summer semester deadline will be early as classes usually start in May

What are the deadlines?

- Check ACT and SAT testing dates
 - Test early to meet college/university admission deadlines (if required)
- **Remember** – Private high school students must upload a college acceptance letter (or letter of good standing for returning students) as a part of the funding application

What are the
deadlines?

April 1, 2023

- Families must submit a complete funding application, which includes the *Intent to Participate* form. **No extensions or late applications are accepted**

Next steps for Central Catholic students

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- By April 1: Email *Letter of Intent* to: CCPIntentLetter@education.ohio.gov
- Apply to college, upload your college acceptance letter to your CCP Funding Application
- By April 1: Sign up for OH/ID Account and apply for CCP funding: <https://safe.ode.state.oh.us/portal>
- By May 6: Funding award notification will be sent.
- Once notified of award amount, student can register for college courses.

**In
summary:
4 STEPS TO
APPLY TO CCP**

■ **STEP 1 –**

***LEARN MORE ABOUT COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS BY
ATTENDING A CCP MEETING HELD AT SCHOOL.***

■ **STEP 2 –**

***SUBMIT YOUR LETTER OF INTENT & APPLY TO
COLLEGE.***

■ **STEP 3 –**

***SUBMIT YOU COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS FUNDING
APPLICATION (UPLOAD YOUR COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE
LETTER TO THE APPLICATION).***

■ **STEP 4 –**

***RECEIVE YOUR AWARD LETTER AND REGISTER FOR
COLLEGE CLASSES.***