

Annual Information Session for Non-Public/Private Schools

Villa Angela St. Joseph High School 2024-2025 School Year

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Villa Angela-St. Joseph
HIGH SCHOOL

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What is College Credit Plus?

College Credit Plus is Ohio's dual credit program

- Ohio residents in grades 7-12 enrolled in public/private high school or homeschooled can earn high school and college credit at the same time.
 - ▶ 3 or more Credit Hour College Course converts to One High School Unit
- Students apply to a college through CCP, and enroll for courses following the policies and requirements of the college.



What is College Credit Plus?

- ▶ Students may take a variety of courses at any public and participating Ohio private college.
 - As determined by placement testing & course eligibility rules

What is College Credit Plus?

▶ **Partner Institutions include:**

- Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C)
- Lakeland Community College
- Cleveland State University
- Notre Dame College



What is College Credit Plus?

- Courses can be taken during the summer, fall, or spring semesters
- Courses are held at the high school*, on a 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*

(Robotics is offered @ VASJ)

How can students participate?

Step 1: Eligibility

A student is eligible for the "College Credit Plus" program if the student meets any of the following criteria:

- ▶ (a) Obtains a [remediation-free score](#) on one of the standard assessment exams as set forth in paragraph (D)(2) of rule [3333-1-65.3](#) of the Administrative Code; or
- ▶ (b) Has a cumulative unweighted high school grade point average of at least 3.00; or
- ▶ (c) Has a cumulative unweighted high school grade point average of at least 2.75 but less than 3.00 and received an "A" or "B" grade in a relevant high school course.

How can students participate?

Step 2: College Admission

- Students must apply for admission at each institution.
 - ▶ Admission is reviewed per the requirements of the college or university; contact the college to find specific information.
 - ▶ College applications include the PERMISSION SLIP for mature content and a questionnaire about emotional maturity.
 - ▶ **Students must complete both the Questionnaire & the “Permission Slip”**
- Colleges have the final decision on student admission.

How can students participate?

Step 2: College Admission

- ▶ **Start early!** Contact your preferred university or college for their CCP deadlines.
- ▶ You must have your college acceptance letter to submit with the funding application.

How can students participate?

Step 3: Funding Application

- Families must apply for CCP state funding each year
- To apply:
 - ▶ A parent or guardian must establish an OH|ID to file the CCP Funding Application
 - ▶ The application must include the college acceptance letter!
 - ▶ Parents apply for a number of Credit Hours depending on how many courses the student would like to take

How can students participate?

Step 3: Funding Application

- ▶ State Funds are awarded approximately five weeks after the deadline
- ▶ Funds are limited; students may not be awarded all their requested credit hours
 - ▶ Funding awards are distributed based on student grade level
- ▶ Funds cannot be split – all of a course's credit hours must be covered

How can students participate?

Step 3: Funding Application

- ▶ If awarded funds do not cover the total cost of a course(s), families may choose to pay for the entire course
- ▶ This is considered Option A – a self pay option described later in the presentation
- ▶ The application opens February 1 and the annual **deadline is April 1 at 5:00 p.m.**
- ▶ *Students must provide a copy of the Funding Award letter to the college*

How can students participate?

Step 4: Course Registration

- The college will discuss course options with the student, based on assessment scores, prerequisites, and other requirements
- VASJ school counselors can help students understand graduation requirements and CCP course substitutions.
- High schools and colleges develop 15 and 30 credit hour pathways to help you determine your plan.

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

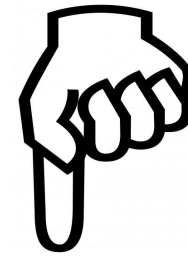
Non-allowable courses include:

- 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

How many classes can students take?

Students may be enrolled in up to 30 credits per year, which includes high school courses:

- ▶ Calculation: $30 - (\text{HS units} \times 3) = \text{max CCP credit hours}$
- ▶ The maximum number of college credits a student can complete while participating in the program is 120.
- ▶ If a student enrolls in more than 30 credits for the year, they can:
 - ▶ Drop the course prior to the no-fault withdrawal date
 - ▶ Pay for the entire course at the colleges standard rates (Option A)



Additional Considerations

Grades

- The final grades earned in the CCP college course are the same grade that will be on the high school transcript
- CCP course grades will be factored into the high school and college GPAs

CCP grades are not communicated with the high schools until the semester has concluded and the grades are finalized.

- ▶ Students must successfully complete the college level course(s) in order to earn the credit.

Grade Weighting

- If a high school uses a weighted grading scale for Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, or Honors courses in a subject area:
 - Then CCP 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.

Additional Considerations

- Students should consider courses in a career pathway that interests them
- Consider asking about pathways that identify courses leading to a major or degree requirements. For example, take a look at this Tri-C CCP video: <https://www.tri-c.edu/college-credit-plus/>



ARE YOU COLLEGE READY?

What does it really mean??

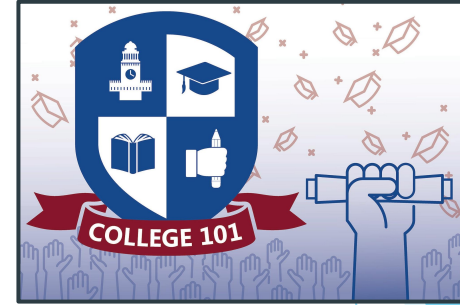


...more than just academically ready!

- Consider emotional and social maturity and college expectations
- Consider time management and organizational skills
- You will have classmates who are adults
- Are you ready to advocate for yourself? For example...

ARE YOU COLLEGE READY?

What does it really mean??



- **High School**- parents are advocates working with High School teachers and counselors
- **Colleges** view the student as an independent decision-maker
- The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) protects student education records in college – parents do not have access

What are the differences between high school & college?

| | HIGH SCHOOL | COLLEGE |
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| Tests | Tests are sometimes given weekly or at the end of the chapter | Tests are generally fewer in number covering more material |
| Study Time | Required homework ranges between 1 to 3 hours per day | Standard rule of 2 to 3 hours of homework for every hour spent in class (3 to 5 hours per day) |
| Knowledge Acquisition | Information provided mostly in-class. Out-of-class research is minimal | Coursework will generally require more independent thinking, longer writing assignments, and out-of-class research |
| Grades | Numerous quizzes, tests, and homework assignments | Fewer tests and fewer, if any, homework assignments will be used to determine final grades |
| Accommodations | Parents & Students work with HS staff to determine what assistance or accommodations can be made for students with IEPs or 504 plans | Students must work directly with college staff to determine if accommodations are needed; IEPs & 504 Plans may not be included in the discussion. |

What are benefits of participating in CCP?

Students can:

- Earn high school and college credits at the same time
 - ▶ Earning college credits while you're in high school can reduce the time and cost of attending college after high school.
- 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 are the consequences of underperforming?

Families may be asked to reimburse courses if:

- The student does not earn a passing grade in their course
- The student withdraws after the no-fault deadline at the college

NOTE: A student that is considered “economically disadvantaged” can not be asked to reimburse the cost of the course(s)

What are the consequences of underperforming?

- If a student fails or withdraws 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, academic probation or dismissal by the college

What are the consequences of underperforming?

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

What are the consequences of underperforming?

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 (NC)
- **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 college/university must have a policy describing the process for appeals*

What are the consequences of underperforming?

After HS Graduation:

Grades earned in CCP will remain on students' college transcripts permanently

- ▶ If a student fails or withdraws often, future financial aid may be also impacted negatively
- ▶ Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) is a requirement for financial aid. Standards vary by institution.

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



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

What are the expenses for CCP?

Option A

- ▶ The family/student can choose to self-pay for college courses at the standard rate of tuition, fees & textbooks.
- ▶ **Families/student should arrange a plan for payment with the college/university**
- ▶ Student can choose to earn both college credit and high school credit **OR** only college credit. Students must inform the school of their choice of credit for courses.
- ▶ **Option A must be elected at the time the student registers for college courses**

What are the expenses for CCP?

Option B

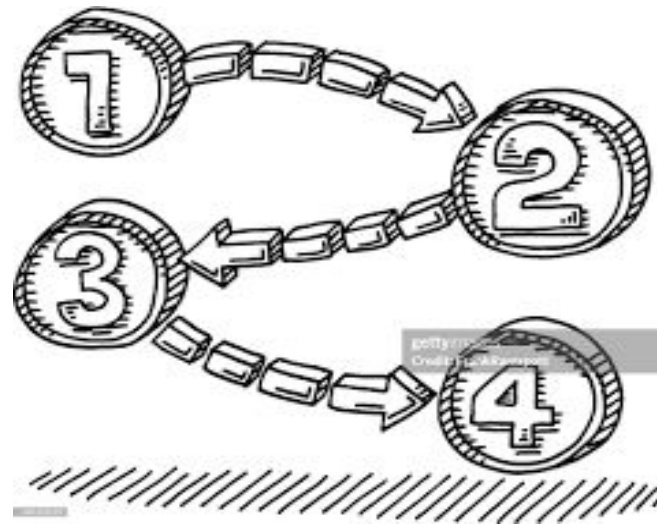
- ▶ All college course tuition, fees, and textbooks will be paid by the state of Ohio
- ▶ Option B is the “default” or standard option of College Credit Plus
- ▶ Students will earn both college credit and high school credit

The final date to change the election of Option A or Option B is on or before the college’s no-fault withdrawal date.

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

How do I apply for College Credit Plus?



Step 1

Create OH|ID

- ▶ Parent/guardian will need an OH|ID account to create a CCP Funding Application
- ▶ OH|ID account can be created using this link (<https://ohid.ohio.gov>)
- ▶ If a parent already has an OH|ID, the parent should use the existing OH|ID
- ▶ The application must be created under the parent or guardians OH|ID account.

Step 2

Complete Funding Application

- 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
- Parent/guardian should follow the steps in the 2024-2025 [Instruction Manual](#) to request access to the College Credit Plus Funding Application

Step 3

- Complete all sections of the Funding Application and upload the required documents
 - ▶ You will need a college acceptance letter (or letter of good standing for returning CCP students) to upload to the application.
- Click “Submit” when the application is finished!!
 - ▶ Upload all proper documentation prior to submission.

Please begin & submit the application before the **April 1st at 5pm** deadline.

Step 4

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

There are NO exceptions to the deadline

- The funding award letter will be posted within the OH|ID system by May 6, 2024.
- Families will be instructed to log into the OH|ID portal and the application to download a Funding Award Letter

Families are responsible for providing that letter to the college.

CCP Funding Approval Letter from ODE

Congratulations! I am pleased to inform you that your funding application for the College Credit Plus program has been approved.

You have been awarded 16 semester credit hours for use during the 2023-2024 academic year. Please submit a copy of this letter to the college(s) you plan to attend when you enroll or register for classes.

Please note the following:

- **Acceptance Letter:** If you have not yet provided an official college acceptance letter as a part of your funding application, you must upload an official acceptance letter to the application system before August 31, 2023 in order to participate in College Credit Plus program.
- **Attending Multiple Colleges:** If you plan to attend more than one college, you must submit this award letter to each college and notify each college of any credits you are taking at another institution.
- **Financial Responsibility:**
 - (1) If you take a course that exceeds your awarded semester credit hours identified above, you will be financially responsible for the tuition and fees for the entire course.
 - (2) If you do not receive a passing grade in a College Credit Plus course, you may be required to repay the tuition cost for the course.

If you have any questions, please contact me at CCP@education.ohio.gov or toll free at (877) 644-6338. For additional information, please visit the College Credit Plus FAQs for Students and Parents on the Ohio Department of Higher Education's website.

Best Wishes,
Wendy Casterline
College Credit Plus Program Administrator

Questions/Support re. CCP funding...

Visit the CCP website for additional resources:

<https://highered.ohio.gov/initiatives/access-acceleration/college-credit-plus/ccp>

Email the ODHE CCP Team:

CCP@highered.ohio.gov

Keep in mind that many families will be applying and possibly seeking assistance – Apply early!



Deadlines/Reminders



April 1st, 2024 by 5PM

- ▶ Start the funding process early and submit the application by the deadline
- ▶ Complete the electronic Intent to Participate form and the Funding Application at [OH|ID Account](#)

Check ACT, SAT testing dates and college admissions requirements

- ▶ Contact the college and discuss assessment testing requirements
- ▶ Start early & apply early to meet college/university admissions deadlines!

Semester Deadlines

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

Questions?

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