# Annual Information Session for Public School Families & Students

2020-2021 School Year



## What is College Credit Plus?

- 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



- 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

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- May take classes during the summer, fall, & spring semesters (Summer class count toward maximum allowed for the following school year)
- May take courses at the high school<sup>1</sup>, college campus, or online

<sup>1</sup>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?

### CollegeCredit

#### **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 subject area on an exam such as ACT, SAT, Accuplacer, ALEKS, PlaceU, or MapleSoft
- Each college/university may have different exam requirements

# Student Eligibility Assessment Exams

- Colleges and universities will review students' scores using statewide standards
   If a student's scores are not "collegely other conditions may be
- If a student's scores are not "collegelevel," other conditions may be considered depending on the exam scores and if the student has:
  - Overall high school GPA of at least 3.0or
  - Recommendation form/letter (from school counselor, principal, or career-technical advisor)
    It is up to the college to determine if they will use these criteria

# How can students participate?



#### **Step 2: College Admission**

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

# How can students participate?



#### **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

BCHS requires 22 credits, including 0.5 Financial Literacy

# What courses can a student take?

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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 that are part of a 15- or 30credit 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 move to Level II courses, which are any other allowable college courses for which a student meets the prerequisites.

(AP Test scores of 3 or better count toward the "First 15")

#### Course Eligibility Rules



#### Non-allowable courses include:

- Private applied courses with oneon-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.

#### Sample College Pathway

#### **Humanities and Literature**

- 15 credits English, Math, Communications,
   Philosophy, Women's Studies
- 30 credits Public Speaking, Poetry and Drama,
   Cultural Anthropology, Ethics, and Humanities

Each college will have a different sequence, and may have other Pathways including STEM, Social Sciences, Art, Business, Health Sciences, and others.

## 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

## What are other requirements?



#### **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

## What are other 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

## How many classes can students take?

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 Students may be enrolled in up to 30 semester credit hours per year, including high school courses:

30 - (secondary school units x 3) = max CCP credits

The maximum number of credits allowable over the life of the program is 120

## How many classes can students take?



If a student enrolls in more than 30 credit hours for the year, the school will discuss with the student whether to:

- Drop the course or
- Pay for the entire course (including tuition, fees, books) at the college's standard rates



#### **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 out-of-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

## CCP Courses at BCHS

- Through OU –Spanish 4 –3 to 6 credits based on placement
  - Through Hocking CollegePrecalculus—6 credits
  - English 12 CCP –4 credits
  - Advanced Ceramics 1 AND 2 –3 credits
  - Geology CCP –4 credits

Total 20 to 23 credits / 5 to 6 HS credits

(Currently exploring adding Physics and Statistics)

## Requirements for BCHS CCP Courses

- All –pass previous required class(es) in subject
- Spanish –Foreign Language Placement test andcollege readiness score on ACT, SAT, etc.
- All others –College readiness score on ACT, Accuplacer, etc., conditional score and other criteria (cumulative gpa, recommendation, etc.)

#### College Readiness Scores

- ACT –English 18, Reading 22, Math
- AccuplacerScores (Given through the college) –English 263, Reading 250, Advanced Algebra and Functions 263
- \*Conditional Eligibility scores, if college accepts them, may vary

#### GPA Grade Weighting at BCHS

- State Rule –if a high school gives added weighting to any courses, they must give the same weighting to any courses in the same subject areas taken through CCP
- BCHS policy –for all students taking AP and high school CCP courses and earning a C or better, 0.025 is added to the GPA after it is calculated.
- Subject areas weighted –English, Math, Sciences,
   Social Sciences, Foreign Language, and Visual Arts.

# 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?

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- If students fail or withdraw too late from college courses, the district may require students/ families to repay the cost of tuition that the district had paid
- The grades that students earn will be on the students' college transcripts permanently

## What are the consequences of underperforming?

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- 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 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.

### Underperforming Student Rules



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

### 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
- At the end of the dismissal term, the student can request (appeal) to be reinstated in the program

### Underperforming Student Rules



#### **CCP Probation & Dismissal Appeals**

- CCP Probation: a student may appeal in order 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.
- Each school must have a policy describing the process for appeals.

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
- 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)

# Other Possible Considerations

- Increased student responsibility for learning
- Reduced opportunities to participate in high school activities
- Possible social discomfort
- Inconsistency of instruction from college to college
- Concerns about grades should be directed to the college and instructor, not the high school

# Other Possible Considerations

- College course schedule may interfere with student being able to take recommended, required, or desired HS courses
- There are other potential risks that may not have been addressed here. It is the responsibility of the student and parent to investigate and weigh ALL potential risks and benefits before deciding whether to participate in this program.

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 as they do other students

# Textbook Procedures at BCHS

- For off-campus (BCHS) classes, student will need to have books ordered by BCLSD. Provide the list of required texts to Mrs. Dinsmore on the required form, which is available on the Guidance website.
- All students will need to return textbooks at the end of each semester. Students who do not return texts to Mrs. Dinsmore will be charged the appropriate amount, in the same manner as an unreturned high school textbook.

# What about athletic eligibility?



#### Student athletes should:

- 1. Learn the OHSAA requirements
- 2. 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 <u>https://transfercredit.ohio.gov</u> for transfer information
- Our experience has been that many out-of-state colleges will also accept these credits

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

# What are the deadlines?

#### **Intent to Participate Forms**

- The signed Intent to Participate Form must be returned to Mr. Gaulke no later than April 1,2020
- Students who do not return this form by the deadline will NOT able to earn CCP college credits for the following school year.

### 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

Deadlines for the current school year were as follows, with no changes expected

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*Hocking College, for BCHS classes – May 15

*OUL – Summer session – April 1

Fall session – May 1

Spring 2021 session – November 1
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# What are the deadlines?

- If needed, arrange for additional placement testing through the college.
- Once enrolled, pay attention to add and drop deadlines as set by the *college* for classes. This includes all classes, whether at BCHS or on the college campus. College deadlines do not match up with BCHS drop deadlines.



BCHS Contact Information

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This Powerpoint will be posted on the HS Guidance website in the next few days

Do you have other questions?

Visit the CCP website for additional resources: www.ohiohighered.org/ccp

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