

# College Credit Plus Information Night

*Presented by Kent State University  
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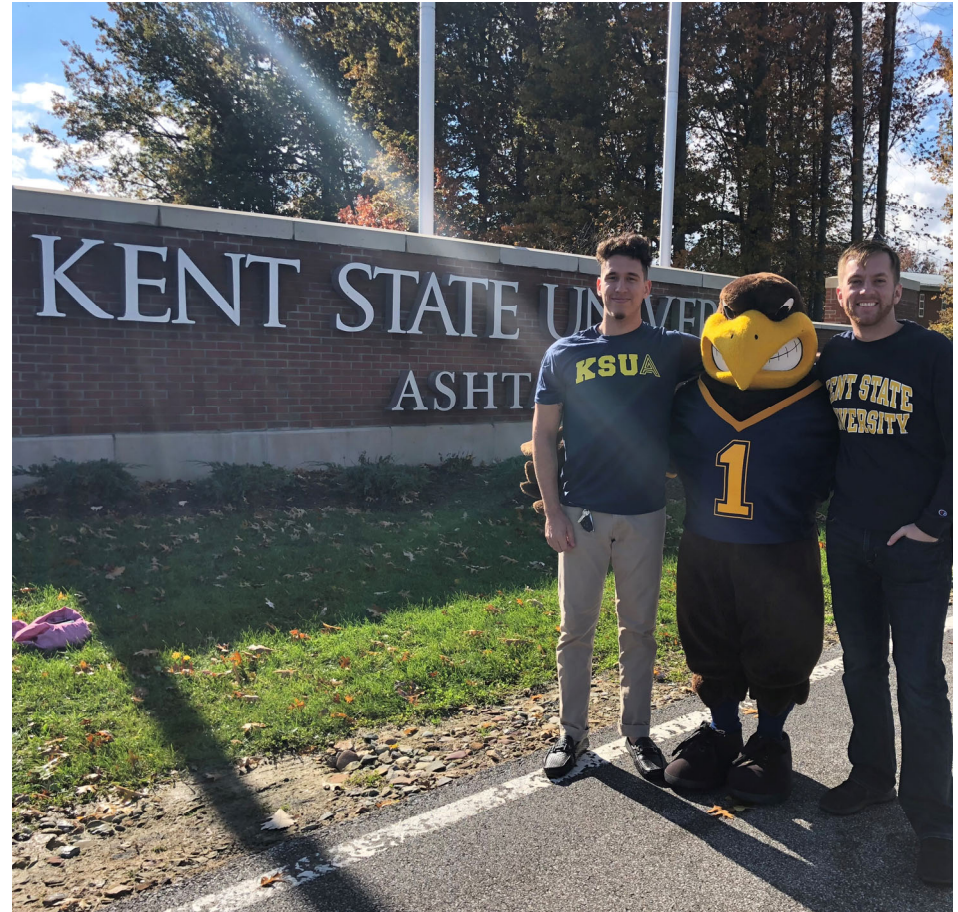


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# Agenda

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- What is College Credit Plus (CCP)?
- Enrollment Options
- Advantages and Risks of Participation
- Requirements & Application Processes
- High School Requirements
- CCP at Kent State Ashtabula
- Questions



# 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
- Provides students with choices and challenges
- Students enroll in college courses and adhere to the policies and requirements of the college

# What is College Credit Plus?

**Available to college-ready students in Grades 7 through 12 in AY 2023-24**

- Must be Ohio residents
  - Attending an Ohio secondary school (public or private)  
or
  - Receiving homeschool instruction
- 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

# Participation

- All public secondary school districts and public higher education institutions must participate
- All non-public secondary schools may participate
- All non-public postsecondary schools may participate



# How does it work?

## **Students in Grades 7 through 12:**

- May choose from a variety of college-level courses
  - As determined by placement testing and 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
- Students 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

# Enrollment Options

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## Locations

- College campus
- Online courses
- High School\*

## Terms

- **Summer Semester**
  - 3 sessions, 5- or 8-week courses
- **Fall Semester**
  - 16-week courses
- **Spring Semester**
  - 16-week courses



# How can students participate?

## Step 1: Eligibility

- Student eligibility is determined using one or several factors defined by the state
- A student must demonstrate that they are ready for “college-level” coursework by:
  - High school GPA (typically a 3.0 in that subject area)
  - Scores on one subtest of an approved exam (typically ACT, SAT, Accuplacer, ALEKS)
- Colleges and universities will review students’ scores using statewide standards
  - Once a student applies to a college or university, they will notify the student if he/she needs to do placement testing.



# Ohio Remediation Free Standards

<b>Readiness Area</b>	<b>ACT</b>	<b>SAT</b>	<b>ACCUPLACER (Next Generation)</b>
<b>English Sub Score</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>Evidence Based Reading and Writing 480</b>	<b>263 or 5 in Writeplacer</b>
<b>Reading Sub Score</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>250</b>
<b>Mathematics Sub Score</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>ALEKS 46</b>

In addition to testing remediation free, students must meet the admission requirements for the college/university to which they are applying. Students may still be required to take course placement assessments for these subject areas.



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# How can students participate?

## **Step 2: College Admission**

- Students must apply for admission
- Students must meet admission requirements of the college
- Each college or university may have additional paperwork that the CCP student needs to complete with their application.
- Contact each college or university for their requirements. Check their website for application and paperwork.

# 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
- CCP students are **required** to attend a CCP orientation before their first semester in attendance.
- CCP students are required to be advised every semester.

*These are state requirements.*



## High School Requirements

- 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
- No HS graduation requirement may be waived
- CCP does not replace requirements to earn a high school diploma

# Taking Classes

Students must complete their First 15 credit hours 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 hour pathway
- Courses in study skills, academic or career success

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

# Taking Classes

- College Credit Plus Pathways
  - Helps student get a head start in selective admission programs such as nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy, respiratory therapy, radiological technology, or medical assisting
  - Helps student earn a certificate in information technology or other areas before graduating high school or soon after
- 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

# Granting HS Credit

- Grades earned in the college course is the same grade that will be on the high school transcript
- Official grades are provided to HS for GPA/Class Rank calculations within 4 weeks after semester ends
- HS transcript must reflect each university course
- Grades earned in university courses are included in GPA/Rank
- Courses must be taken for a letter grade (no pass/fail)
- Students earn *transcripted* college and high school credit upon course completion
- Weighting of course grades
  - *If applicable to your high school, check with your school counselor*

# How many classes can students take?

- Limit of 30 credits per year, including high school courses:
  - 3 or more credit hour college course converts to one high school unit
- Calculation:
  - $30 - (\text{secondary school units} \times 3) = \text{maximum CCP credits}$
- Limit of 120 credits maximum, even if beginning CCP in 7th grade
- Cannot attend beyond high school senior year
- Verify course choices with your school guidance counselor





# Advantages & Risks



# Advantages

- Earn high school and college credit at the same time
- Experience college early to understand the expectations of college life
- Expands high school curriculum with academically challenging courses
- Pursue special interests ‘in-depth’
- Financial benefits (it’s FREE now!) and it saves on future tuition and textbook costs
- Opportunities for career exploration
- May reduce time to complete college degree depending on major
- Access to college campus resources
- Diverse learning environment
- Can take courses at your high school, online, hybrid, or at the University

# Risks and Differences

- Increased academic rigor and responsibility for learning
- Reduced opportunities for participation in high school activities/athletics
- Social discomfort with course content and maturity
- Adult learning environment
- Class schedule, limited online offerings
- Impact on high school GPA and class standing
- Permanent College GPA and Transcript
- Increased travel and study time
- FERPA Regulations impact parent involvement
- Financial Obligations for course failure or withdrawal

# Differences between High School and College

## 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-of-class research is minimal
- College: Coursework will generally require more independent thinking, more reading, longer writing assignments, and out-of-class research

# Differences between High School and College

## 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
  - While attendance may not be required, it is critical for success in college courses. Some instructors calculate as part of your final grade. Always read and understand your syllabi.

## 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

## 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 the consequences of underperforming?

- If students fail or withdraw often, future financial aid may be 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 Rule

## State policy for CCP Probation and CCP Dismissal

- After the end of the semester, colleges must send student grades and cumulative GPA to the secondary schools
- Secondary schools must review GPA to determine if CCP Probation or CCP Dismissal applies to each student
- If student attends more than one college, the GPAs must be averaged to determine CCP GPA

# CCP Probation

- If a student earns less than a cumulative 2.0 GPA in the CCP courses  
OR
- If a student withdraws from, or receives no credit for, two or more courses in the same academic term
  
- While on CCP Probation, the student may only enroll in one CCP course for one college term, and may not enroll in a college course in the same subject in which they previously earned a D, F or W



# CCP Dismissal

- A student is placed on CCP Dismissal when the student has failed to increase his or her GPA to above a 2.0 in College Credit Plus courses during the CCP Probation term.
- Once a student is dismissed from the CCP program, the student may not enroll in college courses for the following college term.
- After one college term on CCP Dismissal, the student may submit an appeal to request the secondary school to allow the student to participate in College Credit Plus.

# What are the expenses for CCP?

- 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, transportation)
- At private colleges or universities, there may be no cost to the students/families for tuition, required fees, and books, however students *may* be charged a small cost per credit hour
  - Check with the private college to see if they will charge this fee
- Students must complete an Intent to Participate form by April 1 and confirm if they will self-pay (Option A) or use state funds (Option B).

# 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)
- Typically occurs once a student has gone over allotted credit hours per academic year
- Cost of program is funded entirely by student and their family
  - Tuition and fees are paid directly to the university

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 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)

- Option B is the “default” or standard option for College Credit Plus
- Student earns both high school and college credit
- No cost to student and their family unless student earns a grade of W, F, NF, SF

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

# HS Athletic Eligibility

- CCP students can be HS athletes
- Follow OHSAA guidelines
- Athletic eligibility requires students to pass five (5), 1 credit courses or equivalent per grading period – Summer does not apply
- Eligibility is determined on a quarterly basis
- College midterm grades may be required for eligibility

***Talk to your high school guidance counselor and your athletic director!***

## Transferability vs. Applicability

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Certain general education and technical courses will transfer especially from one Ohio public college to another Ohio public college

- Check <https://transfercredit.ohio.gov> for transfer information
- Contact the college where you plan to transfer credit





# Consider the Options



# Deciding to Participate & Doing the Research

- Are you college ready?
- Transferability of College Courses
- High School Graduation Requirements
- High School vs College Schedules
- Transportation
- Extracurricular Activities





What's Next?



# Parent/Student Requirements

- Attend school district informational meeting or attend CCP Information night at Kent State Ashtabula on March 15
- Complete Intent to Participate form by April 1<sup>st</sup> and turn into school office
- Sign form verifying counseling requirement with school counselor has been met
- Complete CCP application at college(s) of choice
- Meet Remediation Free Standards and college/university admission criteria
  - Check ACT and SAT testing dates if needed or contact college for placement testing



## College Credit Plus at Kent State University at Ashtabula

  
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FLASH FACTS

**\$3,300**  
**TUITION**  
**PER SEMESTER**



OHIO RESIDENT LOWER DIVISION FULL-TIME

**COMPLETE 4 YEARS AT THE COST OF ONE YEAR AT A PRIVATE COLLEGE**

**30 DEGREES**

**14** bachelor's degrees

**16** associate degrees

**8** certificates

or begin coursework in

**280+** undergraduate degrees at Kent State.



**KENT STATE'S TUITION GUARANTEE**  
means your tuition rate will not increase for 12 straight semesters!



Allied Health program graduates pass their entrance exams at a rate

**HIGHER THAN THE NATIONAL AVERAGE**



**2,000**  
**STUDENTS**

Representing **31** states and **5** countries

**12:1**

STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO

**14**

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE



Over **\$260,000** in scholarships awarded!



**78%** of students receive some level of financial aid



**20+**

**STUDENT CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS**



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# MAJORS AND PROGRAMS

The following programs can be started and completed at Kent State Ashtabula.

\*Program can be completed 100% online. Students may complete undergraduate university requirements and Kent State University at Ashtabula or any campus/location and the major requirements online. The degree would be awarded by the approved campus or college. Additional fees are assessed for online courses.

## CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Business Management Technology  
Computer Forensics and Information Security  
Computer-Aided Drafting/Design Technician  
Enology  
Entrepreneurship  
Hospitality Management  
Office Software Applications  
Viticulture

## ASSOCIATE DEGREES

Accounting Technology  
Arts  
Business Management Technology  
Enology  
Information Technology (Associate)  
Human Services Technology  
Justice Studies  
Nursing  
Occupational Therapy Assistant  
Office Technology\*  
Physical Therapist Assistant  
Radiologic Technology  
Respiratory Therapy  
Science  
Technical Study  
Viticulture

## BACHELOR'S DEGREES

Business Administration in Business Management  
Communications  
- Applied Communications Concentration  
Criminology & Justice Studies  
English  
Hospitality Management  
Information Technology (Bachelor)  
Insurance Studies\*  
Integrative Studies  
- Formerly Bachelor of General Studies  
Nursing (RN-to-BSN)\*  
Psychology  
Public Health\*  
Radiologic and Imaging Sciences\*  
- CT and/or MRI Concentrations  
Sociology  
Technical & Applied Studies



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- Complete the application
- Send us your transcripts
- Apply for financial aid

## KENT STATE UNIVERSITY AT ASHTABULA

3300 LAKE ROAD WEST, ASHTABULA, OH 44004  
STUDENT SERVICES: 440-964-4217

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# Why Kent State Ashtabula CCP?


- World Class University – Hometown Campus
- Resources of 8 campus system
- 12:1 Student Faculty ratio
  - Know your faculty personally – visit during office hours for assistance
  - No teaching assistants or graduate assistants
- One on one advising
- Small class sizes
- No parking fees
- Close to campus for other University Services

# Use of University Services

CCP Advisors

College Resources:  
library, computer  
labs, writing center,  
tutoring, etc...

Student Accessibility  
Services for  
students with an  
IEP/504



# CCP Course Choices and Pathways





# Course Scheduling

- Academic Advisor assists with registration process
  - Research course options
  - Select courses that will apply toward a certificate or college degree program
  - Know how the course(s) you take will apply to your intended college degree
- Use a health care pathway to get a head start on a selective admission healthcare program
- Experience the only cadaver lab between Cleveland and Erie, PA in our Anatomy classes!
- Must meet prerequisites for courses

# Course Scheduling

- Course selection – Level I Courses are Kent CORE courses and TAG courses
- Some typical Level I Courses include:

College Writing I, II

General Psychology

Intro to Sociology

Human Communication

Seven Ideas that Shook the Universe

Algebra for Calculus

Human Biology

History of US: Modern or Formative Period

World History: Ancient & Medieval or Modern

Understanding of Music

American Politics

Frontiers in Astronomy

Foreign Language

Great Books

Major Modern Writers

Art History

- Schedule changes
- Midterm and Final Grades
- Random classes do not equal a degree

# Student Requirements After Admission into College Credit Plus Program

- CCP Orientation and Advising
  - CCP Orientation will be held in the summer and must be done prior to the academic advising appointment
  - All CCP students must sign the Academic Maturity Form prior to attending any academic advising appointment
- Placement Assessments
  - ALEKS Assessment (if interested in math courses)
- Follow Kent State student policies
- Attend classes and maintain a strong GPA

# What Happens if...

- You move?
- You decide you want to drop a class?
- You receive a grade of F or NF?
- You earn a grade you don't think is fair?
- You have an emergency that impacts your attendance in CCP?
- You, as a parent, want information on your student?

# CCP at Kent State University 2023-2024

## Important Dates

### APPLICATION DEADLINES

- Summer 2023: April 15
  - Fall 2023: June 1
- Spring 2024: October 15

**IMPORTANT: Do not use your school email address on your application. Use your personal email address.**

# What's Next?

1. Submit Letter of Intent by April 1 to high school – NOT BINDING
2. Apply to college/university
3. **If KSUA is college of choice, please complete the following:**
  - [CCP Online Application](#)
  - [CCP Permission Form](#)
  - Request HS Transcript
  - Send us your ACT/SAT Scores
    - OR take Accuplacer Placement Test on our campus
  - Watch email for Maturity Form and submit online
4. **Attend CCP Orientation this summer**

Reminder: Students/parents provide transportation

# Contact Information

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*Visit the Ohio Department of Higher Education College  
Credit Plus website for additional resources:  
[www.ohiohighered.org/ccp](http://www.ohiohighered.org/ccp)*



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QUESTIONS?





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