



The Arts and College Preparatory Academy (ACPA) College Credit Plus (CCP) Information Guide

What is College Credit Plus (also known as CCP)?

- CCP is Ohio's dual enrollment program that provides students in grades 7-12 the opportunity to earn college and high school credits at the same time by taking courses from Ohio colleges or universities.

Who is CCP meant for?

- Students with a GPA of 3.0 or higher who are academically and developmentally ready for college-level courses. They must also be willing to follow the procedures outlined by the university while still in high school.
- Before a student even thinks about signing up for CCP, they need to determine whether they are college ready.

What does it mean to be college-ready?

- Many different types of criteria can define college readiness. ACPA believes the following are indicators of college readiness in students:

Developmentally ready for college-level course material

- Demonstrates responsibility both academically and socially
 - o Academically: Checking email regularly, attending class, turning in assignments on time, using professor office hours, time management and organizational skills, etc.
 - o Socially: Student ready to be on a college campus with older students
- Self-advocate of own education
 - o Keeping in touch with Ms. Toth about college grades
 - o Applying for college as an undergraduate
 - o Maintaining knowledge of needed requirements for graduation and being able to communicate needed items to CCR Coordinator
 - o Being able to ask college professors for necessary accommodations
 - o Turning in all CCP documentation to Ms. Toth by the deadline



What are the Advantages of CCP?

Students can...

- Earn transcribed college credit and high school credit upon successful completion of the course at no cost to the student
- Accelerate the achievement of educational goals
- Eliminate duplication of high school and college course content
- Increase the rigor and challenge of course offerings while in high school
- Decrease the cost of college with course tuition offered at a reduced rate

What is the process for Participation in CCP?

1. Attend an information night

This year's information night will be held in person on January 27th, 2025 at 6 pm. The slides will be available on the school's website after the event.

2. Determine if you are eligible
3. Submit a letter of intent

Complete the letter of intent on the College & Career Readiness Schoology Page

4. Apply to OSU or Columbus State

- **Columbus State Community College**

- o Apply for CSCC using this

- o link: <https://www.csccl.edu/academics/collegecredit-plus/>

- o Be sure to check "Taking classes while in middle school/high school"

- **Ohio State University**

- o Apply for the OSU Academy Program using this link:

- o link: <https://academy-ccp.osu.edu/application-process>

- o The application should include A 300-word essay, a completed High School Information Form, and a transcript, and students must demonstrate college readiness by submitting ACT/SAT scores to OSU.

- o Students must meet academic standards that are equal to students currently enrolled at OSU.

- o The university must receive all materials by the application deadline. For summer that is February 1st, 2025, and for fall that is May 1st, 2025.

5. CSCC Students must complete the Student Questionnaire and CCP Permission Slip

6. Students need to determine course eligibility by taking placement tests. More information about placement testing can be found on the College & Career Readiness Schoology Page



What does a student need to be eligible for CCP?

To be eligible for CCP:

- Students must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- They must turn in all CCP registration documents (Including letters of intent, applications, student questionnaires, and permissions slips) before May 1st, 2025.

Subject	ACT	SAT	ALEKS
English	18	480	Reading 80+
Reading	22	480	80+
Writing	English 18	Reading & Writing 480	5-8
Math	22	530	61-100
Science	22	980	30-50

* Please note: Students must take the necessary subject placement tests and earn qualifying scores for registration into CCP-level classes BEFORE they will be able to register for classes. If a student does not complete the necessary testing, they will be given a full schedule at ACPA and expected to attend those classes when ACPA's fall semester begins.

What is the difference between Advanced Placement and College Credit Plus?

Both of these options carry college credit at many post-secondary institutions. To earn college credit for an Advanced Placement class, a student must take a national AP exam in May and score a certain level to earn college credit. Typically a 3 or higher of the possible 5 points must be earned to receive college credit. College Credit Plus is based on daily performance and assessments conducted in the classroom. A student must earn a grade of a "C" or higher to accrue college credit.



What are the scheduling options available for CCP students?

- Students have the option to take classes entirely at a college/university, entirely at ACPA, or take classes at both ACPA and a college/university.
- Students and parents should understand if a student plans to take classes only at ACPA, students are required to take 5 classes.
- If students are enrolling in classes for College Credit Plus, the expectation is that students will take classes for both semesters and should students choose to take only one semester at the college/university, they are then expected to take 5 classes at ACPA during the next semester.
- Be mindful of when you will be taking CCP courses and receiving transportation.
- Students are not able to wait at ACPA until their CCP class starts or transportation arrives.

What colleges/universities partner with ACPA?

The Arts & College Preparatory Academy has a partnership with Columbus State Community College. We have also had students participate in the Ohio State Academy program. However, students are encouraged to apply to any college they wish to attend and where College Credit Plus is offered.

How many college credits can a student earn?

Students can earn a maximum of 30 college semester credit hours per year and a maximum of 120 college semester credits before their high school graduation. The Ohio Higher Ed has established a formula that students must refer to when registering for high school and college courses. This formula is utilized to ensure students do not exceed full-time status. Full-time status can be calculated as follows:

$$30 - (\text{HS Credits} \times 3) = \text{Maximum CCP credit hours per year}$$

1. Determine the student's number of high school ONLY credits
2. Multiply that number by 3
3. Subtract the result from the number 30
4. That number is the total number of college credits that College Credit Plus students may earn that academic year

How will College Credit Plus courses impact my GPA?

Per HB 487, College Credit Plus courses must receive equivalent weight as any weighted course within a given content area. Therefore, at ACPA College Credit Plus courses are weighted the same as AP courses.

How do my College Credit Plus grades get onto my transcript?

Grades earned through College Credit Plus will be reflected on the college and high school transcripts. These grades need to be entered manually and therefore sometimes take longer than High School course grades to show up on Powerschool and in transcripts.



Cost and Books

Students are limited to 30 college semester credit hours per academic year, using the formula specified above, these credits are paid through The Arts & College Preparatory Academy agreements with participating colleges or universities. There are instances when students could incur a cost:

1. Students wishing to earn more than 30-semester credits per academic year will be responsible for all costs of attendance for each credit above the 30 semester credit limit.
2. Students who do not receive a passing grade could be responsible for payment for that college course.
3. Students taking a course that is not covered under College Credit Plus will be responsible for payment of that course.
4. If the student does not return the book one week after the college semester ends, or returns it damaged so it is unusable the student will be charged for the book.

How will College Credit Plus impact state tests?

Students graduating in 2019 and beyond are required to take necessary End of Course exams in English, Math and Science. These exams would include English I, English II, Algebra I, Geometry, and Biology. Students may use English and Math CCP/AP courses to satisfy the curriculum requirements but schools must administer the EOC tests (in English I and II and Algebra I and Geometry) to students to earn graduation points and to satisfy testing requirements of state and federal law. For Biology CCP students may use their course grades and AP students may use their test scores OR Biology End of Course test scores to earn graduation points, whichever is higher. Students completing CCP courses in American History or American Government will not need to sit for the EOC tests in the subject area and may earn graduation points based on the letter grade in the course.

- The following table is to be used to convert College Credit Plus grades to graduation points for valid courses.

A or B CCP Course Grade	= 5 Ohio Graduation Points
C CCP Course Grade	= 4 Ohio Graduation Points
D CCP Course Grade	= 3 Ohio Graduation Points
Not Applicable	= 2 Ohio Graduation Points
Not Applicable	= 1 Ohio Graduation Point
F- Fail or drop the course	= 0 Ohio Graduation Points



How is credit transferred between colleges/universities?

Credits earned through College Credit Plus are transferable to many public and private institutions in Ohio and out of the state. However, there is no guarantee that the class you take will transfer to the college/university you eventually attend. Students who want to transfer to another university will need to send their transcript from the Institute of Higher Learning (IHL) to the university they plan to attend. Many of the College Credit Plus courses apply toward general education requirements or electives at that school. Two websites are available to help students fully understand what courses will transfer:

- [https:// transfercredit.ohio.gov/](https://transfercredit.ohio.gov/) or
- www.transfer.org or <https://ohiohighered.org/students>

FERPA (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act)

College Credit Plus students are college students and are subject to the federal FERPA. For regular college students, this means that college records are not released to anyone, even parents, without written permission from the student. For College Credit Plus students, the high school and college may exchange information.

Can I receive IEP/504 Accommodations at the college?

ACPA students who have an IEP or Section 504 Plan and are participating in a College Credit Plus Program courses, are responsible for notifying the college themselves of their IEP/Section 504 Plan. Students with an IEP/504 will want to submit the necessary paperwork to the college's disability services to receive support. ACPA is also able to provide any services required by the student according to such IEP/Section 504 Plan. Accommodations and modifications shall be provided as appropriate by the instructor of the program course. If any questions arise regarding which party should provide an accommodation, modification, or service, or whether such accommodation, modification, or service is permitted in conjunction with College coursework, ACPA and the college will confer to determine the appropriate course of action.

More Resources:

<https://www.ohiohighered.org/ccp/faqs>

