

# Annual Information Session for Homeschool Families & Students

2019-2020 School Year



# 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
- 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?

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## Step 1: Eligibility

Students must be “eligible”  
for College Credit Plus  
participation based on  
assessment exam scores

## Student Eligibility Assessment Exams

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- Students' scores must indicate 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

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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

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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?

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- CCP courses can satisfy high school graduation requirements
- College advisors will help students know which courses they can take, based on:
  - Assessment scores
  - Course prerequisites
  - Course eligibility rules

# Course Eligibility Rules

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**Students must complete their first 15 college 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

- 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.

# 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 GPA

How many  
classes can  
students take?

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**Homeschooled 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, 2020**.
- Starting in 2020, the Intent to Participate Form will be part of the online funding application. **There will be 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, 2020** deadline! ***No exceptions & no extensions to the deadline are available.***
- You will receive an email confirmation that you have successfully submitted the application.

# CCP Homeschool Student Funding

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- The Ohio Legislature allocates funds for homeschool students during the state operating budget process.
- Each year, Ohio Department of Education processes funding applications and awards credits to students based on grade level.
- State funding is limited and credit requests are not always fully funded.

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 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

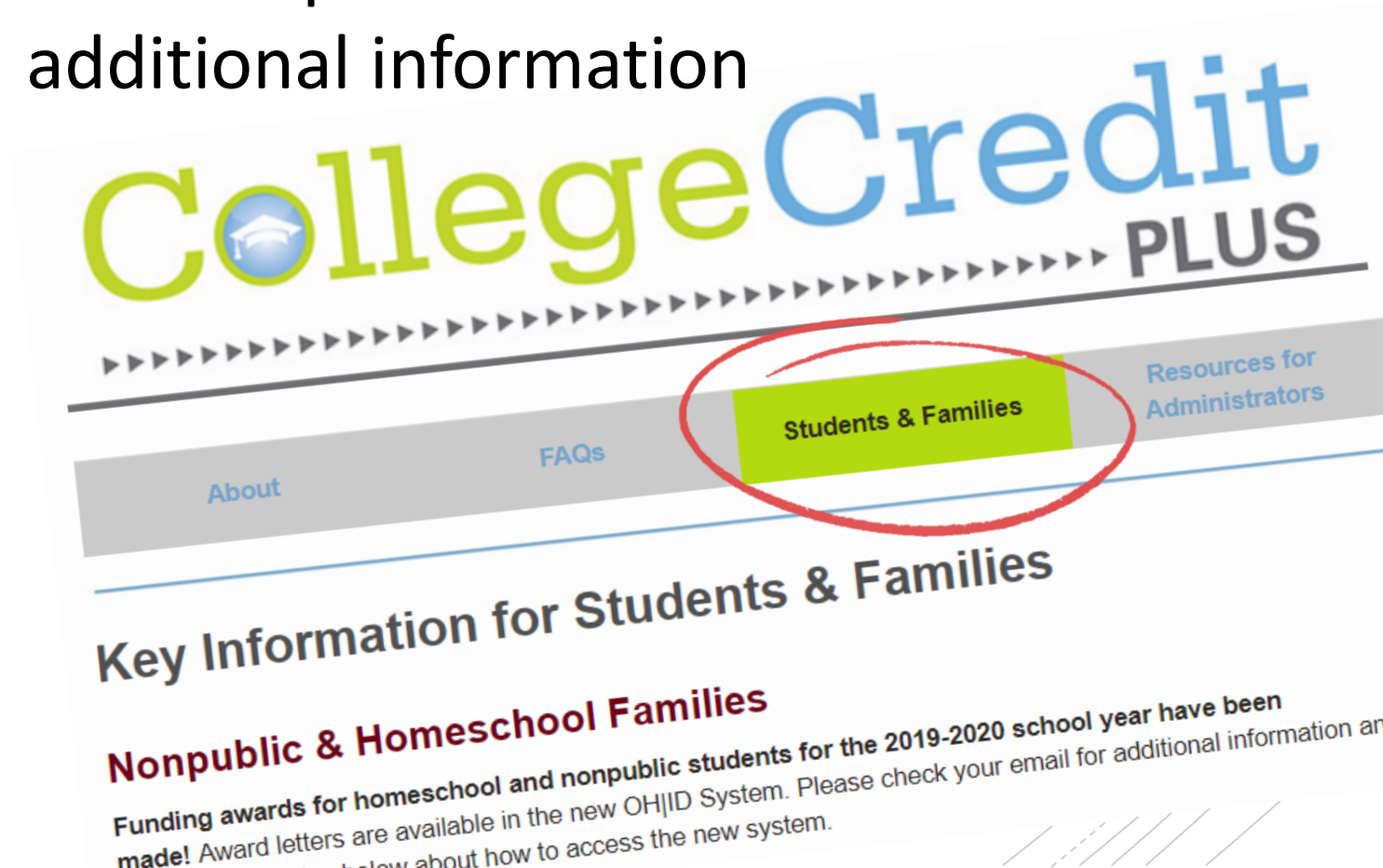
- The application process will begin in February 2020 for the 2020-2021 school year
- **Remember:** The deadline is **April 1, 2020 at 5 p.m. EST**



# More Funding Application Questions?

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- Visit [www.ohiohighered.org/ccp](http://www.ohiohighered.org/ccp)
- Click on the **Students & Families** tab for updated instructions & additional information



What are  
differences  
between high  
school & 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

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## 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)

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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 students
- 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  
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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?

- 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,
  - Parents may be required to place the student on CCP Probation, CCP Dismissal or
  - The college may place the student on academic probation or dismissal.

## Underperforming Student Rules

### CCP 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, NC grade (or equivalent).
- **CCP Dismissal:** Within 5 days of being dismissed, the student may submit an appeal to appeal CCP Dismissal (this is handled by the homeschooled family).

## Underperforming Student Rules

- For homeschooled students, **parents** must perform all the duties of a secondary school under the underperforming student rule. (Ohio Administrative Code Section 3333-1-65.13)
- Please review the entire code section to ensure compliance: <http://codes.ohio.gov/oac/3333-1-65.13>

## Underperforming Student Rules

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### **Parent Responsibilities:**

- Parents must notify any colleges where their students are enrolled of CCP Probation or CCP Dismissal status.
- When parents submit funding applications, they will be required to upload documentation showing that the student is in academic good standing. This demonstrates that the family has complied with CCP Probation and Dismissal policies.
- Failure to comply with CCP Probation and CCP Dismissal policies could result in the student becoming ineligible to participate in College Credit Plus.

## What are the expenses for College Credit Plus?



- At public colleges or universities, there will be no cost to the students/families for tuition and required fees
- At private colleges or universities, a small cost per credit hour may be charged
- All homeschooled students/families must purchase their own textbooks
- Other optional expenses are the responsibility of the student/family  
*(Example: Parking and transportation)*



What are support services available for students?

- College advisors provide course selection assistance
- Colleges must provide the same academic supports to College Credit Plus students as they do other students

Will the course  
credits transfer?

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- 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?

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## 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?

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## College/University

- 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** – homeschool 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, 2020

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

Do you have other  
questions?



Visit the CCP website for  
additional resources:  
[www.ohiohighered.org/ccp](http://www.ohiohighered.org/ccp)