COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS (CCP)

FAQs from Parent Information Meeting

I have a child attending Ursuline Academy (non-public). We live in the district - would she be able to take College Credit + courses through Sycamore?

Students must be enrolled in a public school for them to take a CCP course at the expense of the school district. Private school students and homeschooled students should read over information from the Ohio Department of Education at https://ohiohighered.org/ccp for additional details.

If admitted to a university for a CCP course, where do students get their learning materials (books, etc.)? From Sycamore or at the college, or mailed?

All books are provided by the college. If the CCP course is taken at the senior high school, the teacher will give the materials to the student. If taken on the college campus, the college will provide details to students at the time of enrollment.

If class/subject is offered already at the high school as an AP class, is there an advantage or disadvantage to doing CCP rather than the AP class?

There are distinct differences between taking CCP courses and AP courses. Each student needs to weigh the differences and decide which best meets his/her needs.

AP: CCP:

Student pays fees District pays fees

Course grade only on the HS transcript
AP test required for college credit
Most colleges accept AP credit
Course grade on HS transcript and college transcript
No additional test to pass other than course exams
Can typically transfer credit to any Ohio school
Colleges may limit # of credits
Course grade on HS transcript and college transcript
No additional test to pass other than course exams
Can typically transfer credit to any Ohio school
Can earn up to 30 credits/yr. and 120 in total

So am I understanding correctly that some currently offered high school courses, i.e.: AP Physics, or a certain math course would now also be dubbed as a dual credit class? If so, how would we know before the deadline for CCP that classes on schedule/of interest are included?

Some AP courses may be eligible for the CCP program, and some may not. We will communicate our list of on-site offerings as we reach agreements with our college partners.

If this is now state law, why/how are some schools choosing to do this and others not? All public schools in the state of Ohio must participate. Some districts are choosing not to offer on-site courses. Sycamore is working to provide on-site course opportunities to help students stay connected to their HS and eliminate the need for travel.

Can my student take a course in the summer and receive a CCP credit? No, the law excludes summer options.

It appears there is no difference whether my child goes to UC/BA or Miami's main campus for CCP.

A student may take a CCP course from any public college or university in Ohio. The differences lie in the application process, eligibility criteria, and credit transfer. At this writing, neither UC/Blue Ash or Miami University are intending on offering courses within any Ohio high school .CCP courses will only be available on their campuses.

Looking forward, do you expect AP classes to be CCP classes? If so, can they be taken for either or both?

Some of our current AP courses may be approved as CCP courses. That will be determined once the teacher credential confirmations are received from our college partners. A list will be published updated and communicated as we establish agreements. If approved as a CCP course, an AP course may be taken for either AP credit or CCP credit (if the student follows the admission steps prior to the deadlines).

My child is a current sophomore. Has taken 4 years of Global Language and AP Euro History. Otherwise, he has adhered to the required high school curriculum. As is, he is going to be challenged to do anything/any class beyond his remaining requirements for his remaining 2 years. How is he supposed to add this to his schedule as well?

CCP courses are not intended to "add" on but to be taken so that students can receive high school and college credit simultaneously. As an example, a student who still needs to fulfill an American Government credit may be able to take a course to fulfill the high school requirement and earn college credit. Students can also use CCP courses as electives if their schedule allows.

Will (can) any CCP courses be offered on-site @ JH? None of them can drive. Can the district bus them to the high school?

CCP courses will only be offered on site at the HS, however students can also take courses online or after regular school hours, from any college. Transportation is the responsibility of the parent/guardian.

How does my 7th grader work toward CCP?

Students are eligible to take courses through the CCP program if they are "college-ready." This implies various characteristics are in place to put the student in a favorable position for success in a college course. Depending on the college criteria, that may include a certain score on the ACT or SAT, a placement test, and/or a counselor recommendation.

Is the best way (or most efficient way) to accomplish this as a student seamlessly to take as many high school credits at the JH to free up space in your high school schedule?

CCP classes can be taken at any time between 7th and 12th grade. Those students who take high school credit at the junior high will have more room in their schedule for options in their high school career; however, students should weigh the risks regarding their high school and college GPA, when taking CCP courses.

For 7th, 8th, and 9th grade students, is CCP a realistic option or is this more of an option just for "gifted" or advanced students?

All "eligible" students implies "college-ready." While difficult to measure other than a placement test, a typical college course requires not only aptitude, but time management, self-direction, and perseverance. Parents should consult with their child's counselor for advice, but ultimately it is a parent decision.

Does the criteria for the CCP program mandate that college credit can only be applied to University of Cincinnati, Miami, Cincinnati State, and Sinclair College?

CCP can apply to any Ohio public institution, not just the four we have partnerships with. We are simply trying to help our students by entering into agreements with these four. If students want to get course credit from another institution, they need to apply and provide us with their enrollment verification. We will award transcripted credit once they have completed the course satisfactorily.

If my son or daughter has already taken some of those classes that are now going to be a CCP course, would they qualify for the CCP after the fact?

No, CCP credit is not retroactive. It begins with the 2015-16 school year.