

Nelsonville-York High School College Credit Plus



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Overview



College Credit Plus can help you earn college and high school credits simultaneously by taking college courses while also being enrolled in Nelsonville-York. The purpose is to promote rigorous academic pursuits and to provide a wide variety of options to **college-ready** students. Taking a College Credit Plus course from a public college or university is free; no costs for tuition, books, or fees.

Topics covered tonight, but not limited to:

- 1) Program eligibility
- 2) Earning of academic credits
- 3) Financial arrangements for tuition, books, etc.
- 4) Transportation and in building policies
- 5) Scheduling
- 6) Counseling services of the college
- 7) Possible consequences and benefits
- 8) Academic and social responsibilities of students and parents

Overview Continued



Steps to enroll:

- 1) Discuss plans with your parents/guardians
- 2) Meet with Mr. McGee to confirm your decision; Submit Intent to Participate (orange paper) starting February 1, 2018 – April 1, 2018
- 3) Contact and go to the admissions office of the college of your choice
- 4) Complete admission forms & testing requirements; ACT, SAT, Accuplacer etc.

Steps after enrolling:

- 1) Submit college schedule to Mr. McGee
- 2) Report any changes, problems, etc. to Mr. McGee as they occur
- 3) Check in with the guidance office, high school website, NYHS principal Twitter and Facebook accounts to stay aware of high school events
- 4) Make sure that NYHS has received your grade card from the college/university

Eligibility & Credit



Program Eligibility

- ❖ Current students @ Nelsonville-York City Schools in grades 6-11
- ❖ Must complete an assessment exam, as determined by the intended college/university and be determined eligible for College Credit Plus; Not Nelsonville-York High School
- ❖ Assessment exams include, but not limited to: ACT, SAT, Accuplacer
- ❖ Students must receive a college readiness score in at least one subject area
- ❖ If the scores do not indicate college readiness, the student can still gain eligibility by scoring near the readiness range and has a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or receives a recommendation from school counselor, principal, or career-technical advisor

Earning of Credit

- ❖ Student must complete the semester and have a passing grade to earn credit. Conversion of college credit to high school credit: 3 semester hours = 1 Carnegie unit. Fractional parts below 3 hours would receive an equal conversion ratio.
- ❖ Grades from college classes shall be given weighted credit if the corresponding high school class is weighted and will figure in the student's cumulative GPA and class rank. EX. English class would be weighted, Fine Arts would not be weighted

Athletic Eligibility



Conversion for athletes by OHSAA Rules

Credits are awarded as above. Eligibility examples:

HS Government	1 credit	$1 \times 1 = 1$ credit
Speech	3 hrs.	$1 \times 2 = 2$
College Algebra	5 hrs.	$1 \times 2 = 2$
Biology	3 hrs.	<u>$1 \times 2 = 2$</u>
		7 eligibility credits
Psychology	3 hrs.	$1 \times 2 = 2$ credits
English Comp. 1	4 hrs.	$1 \times 2 = 2$
Geology	3 hrs.	$1 \times 2 = 2$
Sociology	2 hr.	<u>$.67 \times 2 = 1.34$</u>
		7.34 eligibility credits

- ❖ Inform the CCP advisor that you need a specific course load for eligibility

\$ and Travel



Financial Arrangements for tuition, books, etc

Tuition and textbooks are covered by Nelsonville-York City Schools. Students are to return them to the guidance office after finals or when the semester is complete

- ❖ Check in with Mr. McGee before buying books @ start of semester
- ❖ Colleges/Universities are responsible for waiving all fees; Any supplies required by the course syllabus are the responsibility of the college/university

Transportation and in building policies

Students must provide their own transportation to and from the college/university. If a student is splitting time at NYHS and a college, once high school/junior high class ends, the student is to sign out and leave the building and grounds. Also, if a student is arriving from a CCP course, they are to sign in and wait until the bell rings to go to class.

Academic Planning



High School Graduation Requirements – 21 Credits

4 credits of English 3 Credits of Science (one physical, one biological)
4 credits of Math (must include Algebra 2) 3 credits of Social Studies
½ credit Health ½ Physical Education 1 credit of business/computer, fine arts, or
foreign language 5 credits of Electives

- ❖ Passing score of at least 18 on End-of -Course Exams

End-of-Course (EOC) Exam Policy

All students must take the EOC in ELA 9/10 and Algebra 1 & Geometry. CCP courses in American History, Government, and Biology will be awarded points based on final grade in the course. However, the student must take the Biology exam.

- ❖ A or B = 5 points, C = 4 points, D = 3 points

Course Breakdown by year

9th Grade- English, Math, World History, Physical Science, Physical Education,
10th Grade- English, Math, United States History, Biology, Physical Education, Health
11th Grade- English, Algebra 2, Government, Economics, Science
12th Grade- English, Math

- ❖ Focus on meeting high school requirements before working on college degree

Scheduling



Prior to Scheduling

Submit Intent to Participate (orange paper) starting February 1, 2018 – April 1, 2018;

Failure to do so will make the students ineligible to participate without the permission of the district superintendent.

Scheduling

Students schedule at the college/university, first. They are to bring their schedule to the guidance office as soon as possible. If taking classes at both institutions, bring in the schedule to match openings for desired high school/junior classes.

- ❖ Most students will have schedules prior to leaving for the summer and this is the best time to adjust high school schedule if needed
- ❖ Some high school classes are offered only once a day and scheduling conflicts can and do occur; multiple changes may happen
- ❖ Summer and online courses are available in College Credit Plus. The summer term options begin after May 1st. This should start the first term of the following school year. Credits/GPA for academics, but not athletic eligibility.
- ❖ Students may be enrolled in up to 30 credit hours including high school only courses.

30-(high school credits x 3) = Maximum college credit hours;

30 hrs. – **(2 HS credits x 3=6)** = 24 credit hours in one year

If enrolled full time, cannot exceed 30 hrs. in a school year. Cost goes to student if they do.



Graduation & Testing

Academic Support Services

Each participating college/university provides academic support services for the participants.

- ❖ Ex. Academic advising

Consequences for drop/failing of college classes

Any student in the program who fails to complete the course for any reason, shall have the responsibility of that class charged to the parents and not the school district

- ❖ Approx. \$166.28 per credit hr./ 3 hr. = \$ 498.84

Graduation Policy

Must still meet high school graduation requirements in order to earn your diploma. Make sure you review your academic standing with us before participating. We strongly recommend that participants are not in graduation jeopardy Ex. Failures, End of Course exams, etc. Diplomas will not be issued until requirements are complete.



Consequences, Benefits, etc.

- ★ Expanded curriculum- students have the opportunity to take courses that are not offered at our school
- ★ Experience college level work and expectations prior to making a final decision about their post-secondary education
- ★ Courses can be challenging and can cover areas of particular interest
- ★ Costs paid for you
- ★ Possible reduced opportunity to participate in high school activities (band, choir, assemblies, clubs, and athletics)
- ★ Could affect rank and GPA; Grades will be on High School transcripts
- ★ Could affect financial aid availability because CCP counts as time in college
- ★ May start college @ an advanced standing which improves scheduling, housing options, etc.
- ★ Time on the road, road conditions, and the expense of your transportation to and from school
- ★ More independent thinking and working than in high school
- ★ Increased responsibility for learning- colleges do not send interim reports, nor do they communicate other potential problems with parents



Consequences, Benefits, cont.

- ★ Tests in college are fewer than high school, but will 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)

- ★ Students must be able to work independently and conduct their selves appropriately
- ★ Possible social discomfort with older students in a college classroom setting
- ★ If you withdraw from a class, fail a class, or stop going, the financial obligation of paying for it and other expenses goes to you and/or parents

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