What is the College Credit Plus (CCP) Program?

THE STATE OF OHIO, UNDER HOUSE BILL 487, ENABLES SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO COOPERATE IN OFFERING STUDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENROLL IN COLLEGE-LEVEL COURSEWORK PRIOR TO GRADUATION FROM HIGH SCHOOL.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS PROGRAM IS TO PROMOTE RIGOROUS ACADEMIC PURSUITS AND TO PROVIDE A WIDE VARIETY OF OPTIONS TO COLLEGE-READY STUDENTS.

College Credit Plus "Basics"

- Grades 7 12
- College ready students
- Public colleges (required to participate) are free
- Private colleges MAY participate, but will include cost.

"Basics" (cont)

- Up to 30 hours per year; up to 120 hours total
- You can take courses at your high school, on a college campus, or online.
- Responsibility for transportation rests with the student.
- Students are not permitted to enroll in any remedial, religious course, equine course with fees, or any course that would require overnight experience.

Enrollment Options

Option A (Student Pays)

The student may elect at the time of enrollment to be responsible for payment of all tuition and the cost of all textbooks, materials, and fees associated with the course.

Option B (State of Ohio pays via school district)

Under this option, the cost of tuition, textbooks, materials and fees are paid for the student.

Benefits vs. Risks

Benefits

- Ability to earn college credit while at the same time completing high school graduation requirements
- Opportunity to "challenge" yourself academically
- Chance to explore potential college major by enrolling in college course early
- POTENTIALLY decrease the number of courses needed to graduate from college once you enroll after high school graduation

Risks

- Students who enroll in college courses are initiating their permanent college record
- Earning poor grades while enrolled in CC+ may impact eligibility for admission to college after high school
- Students who fail or withdraw from classes after the semester has begun may be held financially responsible for all costs
- College courses are designed for mature audiences and may be academically and socially challenging
- Impact on future financial aid eligibility

Things to Consider

- Am I ready for the demands of taking college courses?
- Enrollment in coursework in the high school vs. on a college campus?
- Why am I participating in the program?
- Will the courses I'm taking transfer AND count towards my future degree?

