

A state mandated informational meeting for students graduating in 2026-2031

College Credit Plus

- CCP program operational since 2015/16 school year.
- Allows students to attend an Institute of Higher Education (IHE) to earn both high school and college credit

What is CCP? (College Credit Plus)

Students taking University credit through ANY mode (at PSHS, on campus or online) are dually enrolled:

- They are concurrently a student at BOTH institutions and their final grade lands on a transcript at each school
- Course rigor, content and all exams are the same regardless of where/how the course is taught
- Students must complete all prerequisite coursework (for example: high school *Chemistry* must be completed before taking *Advanced Chemistry*)

Who can participate?

- All students entering grades 7-12 in the Fall of 2025 may participate <u>IF</u> they meet the admissions standard for the college or university
- Public high schools must agree to work with institutions within 30 miles

Students Entering Grades 7-10:

Unless students have been accelerated, the only way for these students to participate in CCP is for them to take courses online or on campus since all courses taught at PSHS by our faculty require <u>prerequisite</u> <u>coursework</u> such as HS Chemistry or HS Algebra 2.

What courses are available?

- PSHS holds agreements with YSU and Kent State Salem
- Students may take any course *for which they qualify* as follows:
 - At PSHS
 - On Campus
 - Online
- Semester hours may not exceed 120 during a student's high school career or 30 in any given year. Students will be charged for additional hours.

What *YSU courses* are taught at PSHS??

The following courses are taught by our faculty who have been hired as adjunct professors. They possess Masters degrees PLUS 18 semester hours of post- graduate coursework in their subject area (mandated by CCP law)

- Advanced Chemistry (Chem 1515/L and Chem 1516/L) 8 sem hours
- Calc and AP Calc (Math 1571) 4 sem hours
- Advanced PreCalculus (Math 1510 and Math 1511) 7 sem hours
- Physical Geology (Geol 1505/L) 4 sem hours
- **STEM Physics** (Phys 1501/L) 5 sem hours

What *YSU courses* are taught at PSHS??

- Advanced Government (Pol 1560) 3 sem hours
- Intro to Criminal Justice (Crjs 1500) 3 sem hours
- Anatomy 1 & 2 (Biol 1551/L and Biol 1552/L) 8 sem hours
- AP Biology (Biol 2601/L and Biol 2602/L) 8 sem hours

Kent State Courses taught at PSHS:

• CCP English 12

- Major Modern Writers (Eng 11011) 3 sem hours
- Writing I (Eng 22073) 3 sem hours

Transferability

- What if I do not plan on attending YSU or Kent?
- All courses are "TAG" courses (<u>Transfer Assurance</u> <u>Guaranteed</u>) with transfer assured at all public universities in Ohio. Transfer is probable at most private universities in Ohio

How to Qualify:

• Colleges and universities are not permitted to have different standards for admission for CCP students. Qualifying GPA and ACT scores are the same as for any undergraduate who applies for admission to that institution.

Additional Points to Consider:

ACT/SAT scores do not guarantee course placement:

-Even if students are admitted to the program, they will be notified by the institutions if additional placement testing needs to occur in order to qualify for a course.

"Pros and Cons" of Participating:

• Pros:

- Free Tuition, taste of college, independence
- Head Start on College coursework
- Course Selection
- Learn to succeed in a college course in the "comforts of home"
- Academic Challenge

• Cons:

- Scheduling conflicts
- Student Populations
- Grades/GPA
- Course rigor
- "Only get to be a high school kid once...."
- School Calendars differ (breaks, snow days etc.)
- Student Maturity and responsibility
- Grad Requirements

Who Pays for What?? • Family: All Transportation costs Parking fees or fines **Reimbursement** for any failed or withdraw courses

 Poland School **District**: All Tuition All Books All Fees

Sounds good, what's next?? <u>Step One</u>: Earn a qualifying *ACT /SAT* score Visit <u>www.actstudent.org</u> to register for the *ACT* no later than the <u>April 5, 2025</u> test <u>OR:</u>

Visit <u>www.collegeboard.org</u> to register for the *SAT* no later than the <u>March 8, 2025</u> test

Sounds good, what's next??

Step 2: Complete your <u>Intent to</u> <u>Participate</u> form by APRIL 1, 2025 <u>MISSING THIS STEP WILL DISQUALIFY</u> <u>STUDENTS FROM PARTICIPATION UNTIL THE</u> FOLLOWING SCHOOL YEAR!!

Intent to Participate 2025-2026 CCP Intent to Participate Form

The Intent to Participate Form will be posted under the College Credit Plus section of the Guidance Department webpage.

It must be completed by all *new and continuing students* by *April 1, 2025*. Please see Mr. Vagas, Mr. Morocco or Mrs. Calderon if you have any issues accessing the form.

*<u>Note</u>- even though the Intent to Participate is due April 1st, we are asking students to complete this ASAP to ensure we invite them to the correct application days to meet application deadlines.

Step 3: Attend application days @ PSHS for YSU and Kent State with all necessary paperwork

<u>YSU Application Day</u>: January 31st

Kent State Application Day: February 4th

In Summary

- This Informational Meeting is held yearly, ALL students will receive notice of future yearly meetings
- "While the law may permit a student to take any CCP course they qualify for, our position as school counselors will be to advise students to take courses they are <u>truly academically</u> <u>prepared</u> for. Our common goal is for all students be academically challenged AND to be academically successful"

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