



## What is the Junior JumpStart Program?

Junior JumpStart (JJS) is a dual enrollment program for juniors that enables students to earn high school and college credit simultaneously. Participating juniors will spend a portion of their day at their high school and a portion of their day at Columbus State Community College completing their high school requirements and earning ten semester hours. Students must apply and be accepted into the program as 10th graders.

## Assistance and Support

The JJS program is part of the State of Ohio's College Credit Plus program. We offer students an additional layer of targeted support and the benefit of collaboration with other CCS students. Participants are selected by the program committee in separate application and acceptance processes.

### JJS assistance covers:

- The cost of tuition, books, and fees (*fees like parking and campus recreation center are not covered*)
- Extended COTA bus pass to help with transportation (*district permitting*)
- Preferred acceptance into the Seniors to Sophomores program

## Benefits & Eligibility

Student benefits include exposure to college coursework, earning ten semester hours at Columbus State Community College, and simultaneous high school and college credit. The courses are weighted on a 5.0 scale, and enrollment in the program comes with academic advising, ongoing check-ins, and collaboration with other CCS students in a cohort.

### Eligible Students are:

- Rising Juniors (*students completing 10th grade*)
- Earned a cumulative GPA or 3.0 or higher
- Completed 2 years of English with a B or better
- On track to meet one state graduation option
- Good attendance and discipline standing
- Meets Columbus State's admission requirements
- CSCC Accuplacer or ACT/SAT scores may be used

## Student Application:

*The application window, from February to March each year, includes a student's transcript, attendance and discipline records, an essay, a letter of intent, a district information form, an application form, and two letters of recommendation. Get started here!*

**1** Submit these by April 1:

College Credit Plus  
Letter of Intent

CCS District  
Information Form

**2** Fill these out between February 1–March 2:

Junior JumpStart  
Application Form

Letters of  
Recommendation

**3** Call or email Melanie Shafer at the Higher Education Partnership Office for more information: 614-365-8600, mshafer1865@columbus.k12.oh.us

Scan to visit the Junior Jumpstart website for details, links, and more!

