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Dear families of 6th grade students:

Ohio's College Credit Plus can help your child earn college and high school credits at the same time by taking college courses from community colleges or universities. The purpose of this program is to promote rigorous academic pursuits and to provide a wide variety of options to college-ready students. Taking a college course from a public college or university College Credit Plus is **free** for students. That means no cost for tuition, books or fees if you attend public school in the state of Ohio. If your child chooses to attend a private college or are homeschooled, you may have limited costs.

Your local high school may have an agreement with a local college for specific courses; however, your child can choose to take College Credit Plus courses from any college that offers a course that would benefit his or her future, including online courses.

Parents, please note: "The subject matter of a course enrolled in under the college credit plus program may include mature subject matter or materials, including those of a graphic, explicit, violent, or sexual nature, that will not be modified based upon college credit plus enrollee participation regardless of where course instruction occurs."

As stated, College Credit Plus is **free for all public school students in grades 7-12 who wish to attend a public Ohio university or college.** There may be fees for homeschooled students, or students that wish to attend a private university of college.

To learn more about College Credit Plus, please visit the College Credit Plus webpage at <https://highered.ohio.gov/initiatives/access-acceleration/college-credit-plus/ccp-home>

If you have any questions about the College Credit Plus program, please email Dr. Allison Shardell at ashardell@parstem.org.

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Why wait for your future?



CollegeCredit
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With College Credit Plus, you can earn college and high school credits at the same time.

And in most cases, it's free!

Important Upcoming Dates for the 2025-2026 School Year

For program specific questions please contact Wendy.Casterline@education.ohio.gov.

Before the college term begins: Complete School Counseling Requirement – public and nonpublic students

Feb. 1 - April 1: Submit Letter of Intent to the school your child will attend in 7th grade.



INTENT TO PARTICIPATE IN COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Form with fields: Date, School Name, Student Name, Student Grade Level Next Year, Parent/Guardian Name, Home Address, Parent Phone Number, Parent Email Address, Student Phone Number, Student Email Address

DECLARATION OF INTENT

I would like to declare my intent to participate in the College Credit Plus program. I understand that signing this form does not require that I participate during the upcoming school year, and I may decide not to participate without consequence.

I also understand that it is my responsibility to notify my school if I do not gain admission to my selected institution of higher education or choose not to participate in the program.

In addition, I certify that I have received counseling about the College Credit Plus program concerning the rules and regulations for both my school and the college, and that I understand my responsibilities, the benefits and possible risks of participating in the College Credit Plus program.

Please sign and return this form to the secondary school by April 1.

Parent Signature _____

Student Signature _____

Date _____

