S60-College Credit Plus Policy

The following College Credit Plus (“CCP”) policy has been adopted by the School’s Board of Directors (the “School”) to permit students enrolled in a secondary school, as well as students in seventh and eighth grade, to earn college and high school credit through the successful completion of college courses. CCP is intended to provide expanded opportunities for appropriately qualified high school students to experience coursework at the college or university level.

Annual Notice
Each year, prior to February 1st, the School shall provide information regarding CCP to the students currently enrolled in the School in grades 6-11 and to their parents through multiple and easily accessible resources such as the School’s website, written communication distributed to students, and information nights. The annual notice, in substantially the same form as Attachment 1 hereto, shall include information regarding the options relative to CCP costs, criteria for student participation, the various participation options, and the School’s designated CCP contact person. A record should be kept of the communication to confirm compliance with State rules.

Information Session
The School shall schedule at least one informational session per school year between October 1 and February 15 to allow partnering colleges within thirty miles to meet with interested students and to provide an opportunity to students and parents to understand their CCP opportunities.

Eligibility:

The following criteria must be met for a student to enroll in CCP.

1. By April 1st of each year, a student or his/her parent must complete and submit the Intent to Participate Form to the School administration which signifies the student's intent to participate in the Program for the following school year. If a student fails to provide the notice of intent, the student must obtain written consent from the Principal. The Principal shall notify the department of education of the student’s intent to participate within ten days of the date on which the student sought consent. If the Principal does not give written consent, the student may appeal the decision to the
School’s Board of Directors. The Board of Directors, or its designee, shall hear the appeal and make a decision whether to grant or deny the student’s participation within 30 days of the notification of appeal.

2. The student shall apply to a public or a participating private college in accordance with the college’s established admissions criteria and meet the established standards of admission.

3. Beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, the student must be remediation-free in accordance with the Uniform Statewide Remediation-Free Standards document approved by college and university presidents. Students that score within one standard error of measurement below the remediation-free threshold are eligible to participate if they either have a grade point average of 3.0 or they receive a recommendation from a school counselor, principal, or career-technical program advisor.

Expulsion

A student who has been expelled by the School is ineligible to enroll in CCP during the period of expulsion. The School does not award high school credit for post-secondary courses any portion of which were taken during a period of expulsion imposed by the School. If the student has elected to receive credit for course(s) toward fulfilling graduation requirements as well as postsecondary credit, that election is automatically revoked for all college courses in which the student enrolled during the college term in which the expulsion is imposed.

The School shall send a written notice of the expulsion to any college in which the student is enrolled at the time the expulsion is imposed. The notice shall indicate the date the expulsion is scheduled to expire and whether the School will be denying high school credit for courses taken during an expulsion. If the expulsion is extended, the School shall notify the college of the extension.

Counseling Session

Prior to participating in the program, the School shall provide counseling services which include the following:

- Program eligibility
- Process for granting credits
- Any necessary financial arrangements for tuition, textbooks, and fees
- Criteria for transportation aid
Available support services:

- Scheduling
- Possible consequences and benefits of participating, including
  - Consequences of failing or not completing a course, including the effect on the completion of graduation requirements
  - Effect of the grade on the student’s grade point average
  - Benefits of successful completion, including the ability to reduce the overall costs of, and the amount of time required for, a college education
- Academic and social responsibilities of the student and parents
- Information on and encouragement to use counseling services provided by the college
- Standard packet of information developed by the State.

The counseling session may take place during the annual information session but alternative counseling opportunities will be made available for those parents and students that are unable to attend the annual information session. Students and parents are required to sign a form stating that they have received counseling and understand their responsibilities under the CCP.

Additional Requirements

The School shall promote the CCP on its website, including the details of the School’s agreements with partnering colleges.

The School shall implement a policy for awarding grades and the calculation of class standing for courses taken under CCP which shall be equivalent to the School’s policy for courses taken under the advanced standing program or other courses designated as honors courses.

The School shall develop model course pathways which include 15 hour and 30 hour options and shall publish the pathways among the School’s official list of course offerings for the program.

Annually collect, report, and track data relative to the CCP in accordance with State guidelines.

Reimbursement Due to Course Failure

If a student participating in the program does not attain a passing grade, the school may seek
reimbursement from the student or student’s parents for the amount of state aid paid to the college on behalf of the participant. The school may withhold grades and credits for high school courses taken until the reimbursement is provided.

Unless a student is expelled, the school shall not seek reimbursement from a student or a student’s parents if the participant is identified as economically disadvantaged pursuant to rules adopted by the Ohio Department of Education.