

Annual Information Session for Nonpublic (Private) School Families & Students

2020-2021 School Year



What is College Credit Plus?

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College Credit Plus is Ohio's dual credit program

- Students can earn high school and college credit at the same time
- Students enroll in college courses and adhere to the requirements of the college

Students in Grades 7 -12

- Must complete an assessment exam and be determined “eligible” for College Credit Plus
- May apply to any public college or participating private college
- May apply to multiple institutions

Students in Grades 7 -12

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- May choose from a variety of college-level courses (as determined by placement testing & course eligibility rules)
- Can earn credit to satisfy both high school and college requirements (One 3+ Credit Hour Course = One High School Unit)
- Must successfully complete the courses in order to earn the credit

Students in Grades 7 -12

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- May take classes during the summer, fall, & spring semesters
- May take courses at the high school¹, college campus, or online

¹The option to take courses at the high school is only available if the high school has partnered with a college or university to offer college courses at the high school

How can
students
participate?

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Step 1: Eligibility

Students must be “eligible”
for College Credit Plus
participation based on
assessment exam scores

Student Eligibility Assessment Exams

- Students' scores must show that they are ready for “college-level” courses in at least one subject area on an exam: ACT, SAT, or Accuplacer
- Each college/university may have different exam requirements

Student Eligibility Assessment Exams

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- Colleges and universities will review students' scores using statewide standards
- If a student's scores are not "college-level," other conditions may be considered depending on the exam scores and if the student has:
 - Overall high school GPA of at least **3.0 or**
 - Recommendation form/letter (from school counselor, principal, or career-technical advisor)

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Step 2: College Admission

- Students must apply for admission
- Contact the college to learn about their processes, paperwork, and deadlines
- Colleges have the final decision on student admission

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Step 3: Course Registration

If the student is considered eligible and has been admitted to the college, then the college will discuss course options with the student, based on assessment scores, prerequisites, and other requirements.

What courses
can a student
take?

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CCP courses can satisfy high school graduation requirements

- School counselors can help students understand graduation requirements and CCP course substitutions
- Some high schools have more requirements for graduation than the state minimum

What courses
can a student
take?

College advisors will help students know which courses they can take, based on:

- Assessment scores
- Course prerequisites
- Course eligibility rules

Course Eligibility Rules

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Students must complete their first 15 credits in Level I courses, which include:

- Transferable general education courses.
- Colleges must post their Level I courses – see website for details
- Once a student completes the First 15 credit hours in Level I, he or she can move to Level II courses, which are any other allowable college courses for which a student meets the prerequisites.

Course Eligibility Rules

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Non-allowable courses include:

- Private applied courses with one-on-one instruction (such as music lessons)
- Courses with high fees
- Study abroad courses
- Physical education courses
- Pass/Fail graded courses
- Remedial courses or religious courses.

What are other requirements?

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Grades

- College Credit Plus grades earned in the college course is the same grade that will be on the high school transcript
- CCP course grades will be factored into the high school and college GPAs

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Grade Weighting

- If a high school uses a weighted grading scale for Advanced Placement or Honors courses in a subject area, then College Credit Plus courses in the subject area will be weighted using the same scale

How many
classes can
students take?

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Nonpublic/private school students must apply for College Credit Plus funding every year.

- After applying, families will be notified of the maximum number of credit hours that will be paid for through College Credit Plus
- Students/families may choose to pay for additional courses on their own

CCP Nonpublic Funding

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- The Ohio Legislature allocates funds for nonpublic students during the state operating budget process.
- Each year, Ohio Department of Education processes funding applications and awards credits to students based on grade level.
- State funding is limited and credit requests are not always fully funded.

How do
students apply
for funding?

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Step 1: OH|ID Account

- A parent/guardian must create an OH|ID account at: <https://ohid.ohio.gov>
- This can be done at anytime!

Please note: the SAFE Portal has been integrated with the OH|ID System. If you already have an OH|ID account you do not need to create a new one.

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Step 2: Application Access

- Once the parent has a OH|ID account, follow the online directions for requesting access to the College Credit Plus funding application.

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Step 3: Intent Form

- Once access to the funding application is granted, complete the Intent to Participate Section before **April 1, 2020**.
- Starting in 2020, the Intent to Participate Form will be part of the online funding application. **There will be no separate paper form.**

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Step 4: Complete & Submit Application

- Complete each section of the funding application & upload the required documents in the parent's OH|ID account.
- **SUBMIT** the application before the **April 1, 2020 at 5 PM** deadline! ***No exceptions & no extensions to the deadline are available.***
- You will receive an email confirmation that you have successfully submitted the application.

How do
students get
their funding?

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Award Letters

- Within a few weeks, parents will receive an email notification that the funding award letter is available.
- Follow the instructions to log-in to the OH|ID account and download the funding letter.
- Provide that letter to your college.

Funding Awards

If you choose to register for courses before funding awards are finalized and the student is not awarded enough credits to cover the courses:

- Family will have to self-pay at the college's standard rate or
- Student must drop the courses

Funding Application Deadlines

- The application process will begin in February 2020 for the 2020-2021 school year
- **Remember**: The deadline is **April 1, 2020 at 5 p.m. EST**

What are
differences
between high
school & college?

Tests

- High School: Tests are sometimes given weekly or at the end of the chapter
- College: Tests are generally fewer in number and cover more material

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Study Time

- High School: Required homework ranges between 1 to 3 hours per day
- College: Standard rule of 2 to 3 hours of homework for every hour spent in class (3 to 5 hours per day)

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Knowledge Acquisition

- High School: Information provided mostly in-class. Out-of-class research is minimal.
- College: Coursework will generally require more independent thinking, longer writing assignments, and out-of-class research

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Grades

- High School: Numerous quizzes, tests, and homework assignments
- College: Few tests and fewer, if any, homework assignments will be used to determine final grades

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Role of Parents

- High School: Parents are strong advocates working closely with teachers and counselors
- College: Parent serves as a mentor and support for the student; the college views the student as independent decision-maker
- College: The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) protects student education records

What are benefits
of participating in
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Plus?

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Students can:

- Earn high school and college credits at the same time
- Get a “head start” on college degrees or certificates
- Experience college early to understand the expectations of college life
- Save tuition and textbook costs

What are the
consequences of
underperforming?

- If students fail or withdraw too late from college courses, the district may require students/families to repay the cost of tuition to the state of Ohio
- The grades that students earn will be on the students' college transcripts permanently

What are the consequences of underperforming?

- If students fail or withdraw often, future financial aid may be also impacted negatively
- If students perform poorly, they may be placed CCP Probation, CCP Dismissal or on academic probation or dismissal by the college

Underperforming Student Rules

CCP Probation

- A student will be placed on CCP probation if he or she earns less than a cumulative 2.0 GPA in CCP courses or withdraws from 2 or more courses in one academic term.

Underperforming Student Rules

CCP Dismissal

- If students on CCP Probation do not increase their CCP GPA to a 2.0 or above during the probation term, they will be placed on CCP Dismissal
- While on CCP Dismissal, students may not enroll in any College Credit Plus courses.
- At the end of the dismissal term, the student can request (appeal) to be reinstated in the program.

Will the course
credits transfer?

- Certain general education and technical courses should transfer
- Students must check with colleges to confirm transferability
- Students should also visit <https://transfercredit.ohio.gov> for transfer information

What does being
“college-ready”
mean?

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Being “college-ready” is more than just being academically ready

- Consider emotional and social transition and college expectations
- Consider time management & organizational skills

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- Grades earned in a CCP course are for high school AND college credit and will be calculated into the student’s GPA at both places
- College Credit Plus credits will be utilized in the calculation of financial aid

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From Former Ohio Department of Education Chancellor John Carey:

- “It is critical that participants are college ready, as the few times there has been a problem thus far, it has not been because students were not academically ready, but because they were not mature enough to handle it.”

CCP Statistics at FCA

2019-2020 School Year

- 74 students participated out of 224 students in 7th – 12th grade
- 12th grade: 73% of class (32/44)
- 11th grade: 53% of class (20/38)
- 10th grade: 51% of class (21/41)
- 7th – 9th grade: 1% of class (1/101)

What are the
deadlines?

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College/Universities

- Check each college's deadline for admission
- Find out about assessment testing requirements
- Summer semester deadline will be early as classes usually start in May

What are the
deadlines?

- **Remember** – Private high school students must upload a college acceptance letter (or letter of good standing for returning students) as a part of the funding application

What are the
deadlines?

April 1, 2020 @ 5PM

- Families must submit a complete funding application, which includes the Intent to Participate form. **No extensions or late applications are accepted**

College Credit Plus at FCA

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Follow the College Credit Plus Checklist

- Attend Information Session
- Submit FCA Permission to Participate
- Apply to Colleges
- Request Transcript
- Acceptance Letter
- Intent to Participate & Applying for Funding
- Funding Award Notification
- Finalizing Schedule and Registering for Classes

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FCA Partnership with OCU

- Potential Courses at FCA:
 - Introduction to Sociology
 - General Psychology
 - Western Civilizations I & II
 - English Composition I & II
 - Oral Communications
 - US History: 1877 – Present
 - Special Topics: The Holocaust
 - Statistics & Analysis
 - Calculus I

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FCA Partnership with OCU

- If not enough funding is available, the student can wait until next year, take for high school credit only, or pay for the course
- OCU partner fees are as follows:
 - College classes taught by FCA teachers - \$75.00/semester hour
 - College classes taught at FCA by OCU professors - \$110.00/semester hour
 - OCU Online Courses - \$166.00/semester hour

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Final Reminders

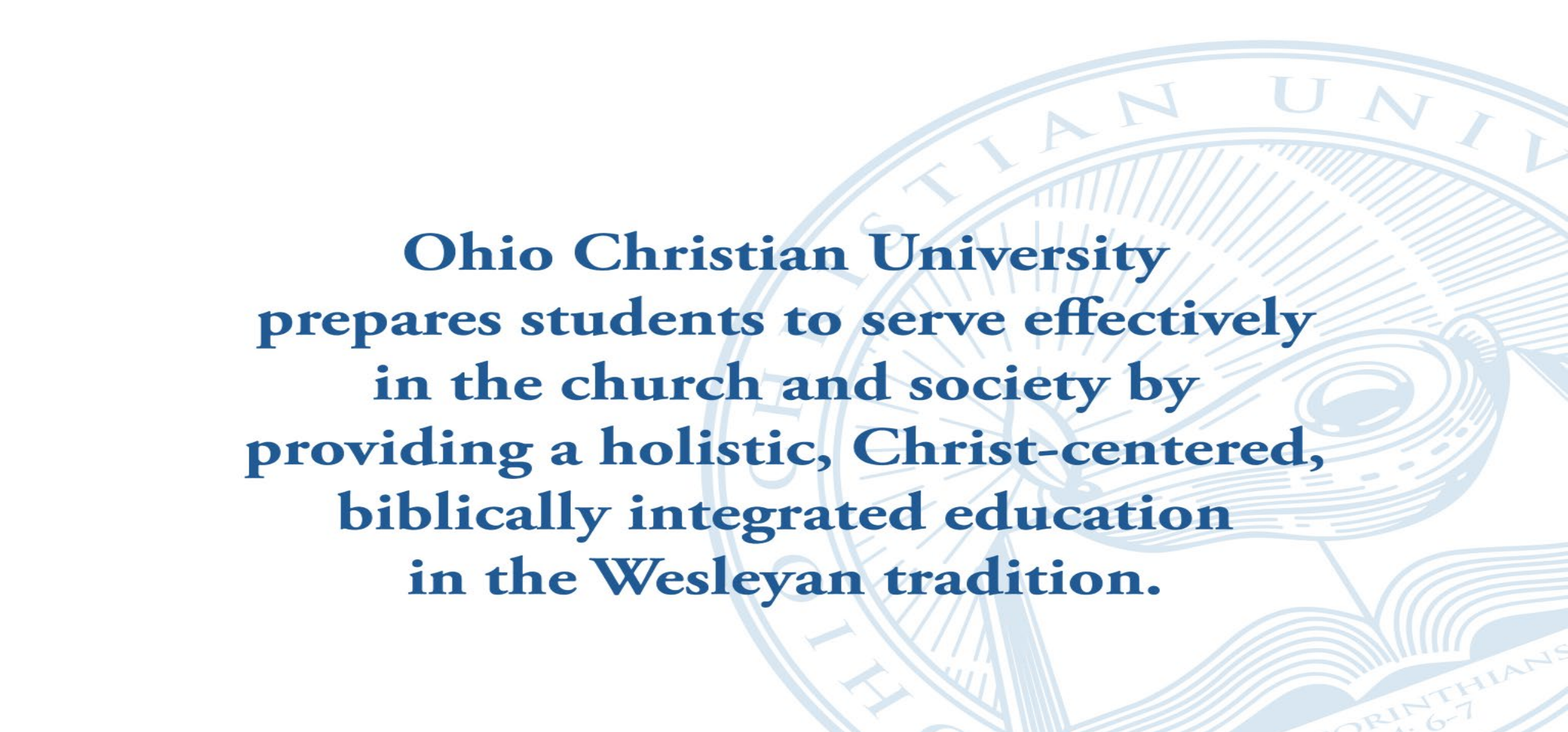
- Test early! Accuplacer at FCA
- Acceptance Letter – check your email!
- Apply by the deadlines
- Follow the College Credit Plus Checklist
- Email or Call with any questions!
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Trailblazer Academy

Dual Credit/College Credit Plus Program



**Ohio Christian University
prepares students to serve effectively
in the church and society by
providing a holistic, Christ-centered,
biblically integrated education
in the Wesleyan tradition.**

Admission Requirements

- Minimum 2.0 GPA
- Qualifying Test Score
 - ACT – 19+
 - SAT – 980+
 - AccuPlacer Reading Comprehension 250+

Application Process

- ✓ Complete the online application
- ✓ Submit official high school transcripts
- ✓ Submit ACT/SAT/AccuPlacer test score

****No Application Fee****

Course Options

- Courses online, on campus, or at select high schools
- 100-200 level courses suggested
- Multiple degree pathways

Students schedule through mandatory advising session

Transferability

We are accredited with the
Ohio Department of Higher Education and
Higher Learning Commission

Part of the Transfer Evaluation System (TES)
&
Transfer-ology

Benefits of Trailblazer Academy:

- Fluent Transition into College
- Understand college expectations
- Complete general education courses early
- Save on college expenses

Course materials for Online and On Campus students will be covered by OCU if Registration deadline is met.

OCU and College Credit Plus

- Ohio Christian University has a total enrollment of over 4,000+ students
- Our Trailblazer Academy Program has grown!
 - 40 students in 2009 when the program began
 - 500+ students currently

OCU and CCP Important Dates

- All Non-Public students must have **ALL** application materials in by **March 18th** to meet April Funding Form application deadline of **April 1st**.
- Application priority deadline for Public students is **May 1st** for the Fall 2020 semester.
- Registration Deadline for Summer Courses:
 - **May 1st**

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Thank You for
Attending!
Questions?

