

# Lima Central Catholic High School College Credit Plus Information Guide 2017

## What is College Credit Plus?

College Credit Plus (CCP) is a program that gives high school students an opportunity to be enrolled in both high school and college course work at the same time. Students who qualify academically through ACT or Accuplacer scores can register for courses offered at LCC through Rhodes State College, Ohio Northern University (ONU), or Ohio State University (OSU).

## Advantages of College Credit Plus

For the student who is eligible for College Credit Plus, he/she must be academically ready for college level courses and be willing to follow the procedures outline by the university while still in high school. Students will enjoy the following benefits:

- Students may earn (transcribed) college credit and high school credit upon successful completion of the course
- Accelerate achievement of educational goals
- Eliminate duplication of high school and college course content
- Increase the rigor and challenge of course offerings while in high school
- Decrease the cost of college with course tuition offered at a reduced rate

## What colleges/universities partner with Lima Central Catholic?

### 1. Ohio Northern University

Course planned for the 2017-2018 school year include:

MATH 1251: College Algebra	3 semester hours
MATH 1401: Functions for Sci & Tech	3 semester hours
MATH 1631: Calculus I	4 semester hours
STAT 1561: Stats for Professionals	3 semester hours

*Please Note: Both MATH 1251 & MATH 1401 have to be taken to fulfill Pre-Calculus*

### 2. Rhodes State College

Courses planned for the 2017-2018 school year include:

PSY 1010: General Psychology	3 semester hours
SOC 1010: Sociology	3 semester hours
BIO 1110: Anatomy & Physiology I	4 semester hours
BIO 1120: Anatomy & Physiology 2	4 semester hours
COM 1110: English Composition	3 semester hours
LIT 2250: American Short Story	3 semester hours
COM 2400: Composition and Lit	3 semester hours
LIT 2210: Intro to Literature	3 semester hours
ECN 1410: Macro Economics	3 semester hours

ECN 1430: Micro Economics	3 semester hours
ACC 1010: Corporate Acct. Principle	4 semester hours
ACC 1121: Payroll Accounting	2 semester hours
FIN 1250: Personal Finance	3 semester hours

### 3. Ohio State University

Courses planned for the 2017-2018 school year include:

OSU 2100: Intro to Theatre	3 semester hours
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#### How does my child get involved in these programs?

**Step 1:** Students must demonstrate college readiness by submitting qualifying ACT or Accuplacer (Rhodes) placement scores corresponding to the courses for which they intend to register. Accuplacer testing is administered at Rhodes.

**Step 2: Feb. 15 - April 1:** [Submit Letter of Intent](#)

**Step 3:** Attend the required College Credit Plus meeting in February.

**Step 4:** Create a SAFE account with the parent's name.

**Step 5:** Meet with your guidance counselor to establish a schedule that best serves your needs.

**Step 6:** Apply to the each university for the CCP classes.

**Step 7:** Once accepted to the university, the acceptance letters must be uploaded to SAFE account.

**Before May 15:** Funding award notifications sent via the SAFE account.

#### How will College Credit Plus courses impact my GPA?

Per HB 487, College Credit Plus courses must receive the equivalent weight as any weighted course within a given subject area. As a result, LCC is currently aligning its policy to reflect this; meaning only college classes taken on LCC's campus or classes in the same subject area (as those listed on pages 1 & 2) will receive a bump in the GPA.

#### How are College credits converted to high school credits?

5 semester credits =	1.0 high school Carnegie Credit
4 semester credits =	1.0 high school Carnegie Credit
3 semester credits =	1.0 high school Carnegie Credit
2 semester credits =	.67 high school Carnegie Credit
1 semester credit =	.33 high school Carnegie Credit

## **Transfer of credits/transcripts**

Credits earned through College Credit Plus are transferable to many public and private institutions in Ohio. Students who want to transfer to another university will need to send their transcript from the Institute of Higher Education (IHE) to the university they plan to attend. Many of these courses apply to the general education requirement or as electives at that school. A website is available to help students fully understand what courses will transfer: [www.transferology.com](http://www.transferology.com).

## **FERPA**

College Credit Plus students are college students and subject to the federal FERPA. For regular college students, this means that college records are not released to anyone, even parents, without written permission from the student. For CCP students, the high school and the college may exchange information.

## **Cost**

Students are limited 30 semester credits per academic year. For any classes taken through Rhodes State College, there is no cost assessed to families. Classes taken through Ohio State, Ohio Northern University or any private (IHE), parents/students may be assessed a fee.

## **Testing Websites:**

Accuplacer test @ Rhodes

<http://www.rhodesstate.edu>

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<http://www.actstudent.org>

## **Important Notice to Parents and Students**

- Students taking College Credit Plus courses are subject to the rules and regulations of the university they are currently attending, including add/drop dates established by the participating institution.
- It is important to keep in mind that the decision to participate in CCP coursework does not compromise a student's LCC high school experience.
- The student is required to meet Lima Central Catholic's high school graduation requirements.
- An academic advisor from the participating institution is required to meet with each student within the first two weeks of a class. This may be done in a group setting

- While in college courses, students are introduced to a learning environment that promotes an open exchange of ideas. Course content is presented on an adult level and the course discussions require a mature understanding of divergent viewpoints and the ability to think critically on controversial issues.
- Students should understand that these courses are college-level courses, and the amount of work, pace and rigor of content in college courses may be much greater than high school courses. Additionally, college course grades become part of a student's permanent college transcript and are calculated into the college grade point average. Poor performance in college classes may affect future university admissions and financial aid. Therefore, it is important to perform well in college courses to realize the benefits of taking college courses while in high school.
- Courses taken and the grades associated with them will be reported on both the student's high school transcript as well as the college transcript.
- College transcripts can be requested by visiting the respective college or university website associated with the courses taken. LCC does not have access to college transcripts.