



Sylvania Schools

Earning College Credit before
High School Graduation
for students in grades 7-12



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Sylvania College Credit Opportunities



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Advanced Placement Courses

- AP courses cover more material with greater depth than other high school courses, providing students with an advantage over their peers.
- AP courses build independent and collaborative work skills in research, writing, problem-solving, experimentation, and analysis.
- AP courses ease the transition from high school to college student.
- AP courses show admissions officers a readiness for college-level work. Admissions counselors consistently tell school counselors that academic rigor and strong grades are the most important factors when schools evaluate applications.
- AP courses are taught at the student's high school, providing benefits of more frequent meeting time, stronger peer relationships, and more teacher mentoring than can be had with most undergraduate college courses.

Students scoring 3 or above on the AP exam can earn college credit for their score, based on university offerings.

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Advanced Placement Courses

Sylvania currently offers 24 AP courses:

World History	Statistics	Spanish Language and Culture
European History	Calculus AB	French Language and Culture
United States History	Calculus BC	
United States Government	Biology	
Psychology	Chemistry	
Microeconomics	Environmental Science	
Macroeconomics	Physics I	
English Literature and Composition	Art History	
English Language and Composition	Music Theory	
Research	Computer Science A	
Seminar	Computer Science Principles	

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Sylvania students completing specified career-technical courses will be awarded credit for the comparable college course in Ohio public colleges and universities.

This credit is based on successful completion of the course and does not require a separate exam.



Sylvania currently offers CTAG's in these following career-technical programs:

Interactive Media

Medical Technology

Education & Training

Construction

Business Technology

Horticulture

Programming

Engineering



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Both of the previous options provide opportunities for college credit within Sylvania Schools and do not require students and families to coordinate with a different educational institution. These opportunities are open to all high school students.





In the College Credit Plus program, students in grades 7 through 12 may take courses at participating colleges and universities on their campuses, online, or on a Sylvania high school campus. These opportunities are only available to college-ready students.



College Credit Plus Requirements

- Students must be Ohio residents.
- Students must apply to and be accepted by the participating college or university.
- Students may only take courses at Ohio colleges and universities.
- Students must demonstrate college readiness through test scores.
- Students must declare intent to participate in the CCP program by April 1st.
- Students must follow all rules and requirements of the college or university, including application requirements.
- Male students 18 years or older must provide their selective service number to the participating college or university.
- Students must still maintain course equivalents to be deemed a full-time student.



College Credit Plus Courses & Credits

- Students may choose from a variety of college-level courses, but some may require specific test scores.
- Students may earn 1 high school credit for every 3 college credits earned. These credits may satisfy Sylvania graduation requirements.
- Students must successfully complete the course to earn the credit.
- Students may take courses in spring, summer, or fall. Summer courses count toward credit in the upcoming academic year.
- Students may take courses on the college or university campus, through online means, or in Sylvania high school classes.



College Credit Plus in Sylvania

Sylvania offers CCP credit through the following courses taught at Southview and Northview.

Northview

Introduction to Business
Entrepreneurial Marketing
Principles of Management
Computer Concepts
Introduction to Education
Child and Youth Health
Composition I
Introduction to Literature
French
Chemistry
Physical Geology

Southview

Plant Science
Woods and Metal Construction
Personal Finance
Introduction to Business
Introduction to Java
Vector Design
Electronic Page Layout
Mac Concepts
Human Anatomy & Physiology
Composition I
Introduction to Literature



To access these opportunities, begin by submitting a letter of intent and indicating which Sylvania campus courses you would like to take. This will ensure placement in the right section. Then, follow all other CCP requirements, including registration at the participating college or university.



1 Students must demonstrate college-readiness.

Students may demonstrate college competence through many test scores, but the most common for Sylvania students are the ACT or Accuplacer. If the student does not have a qualifying college-ready ACT score, they may complete the Accuplacer assessment at the participating college or university. Contact that institution for help.

Refer to the Sylvania CCP Handbook and Ohio Higher Ed information for more details.



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ACT Scores for College-Readiness

English	18
Reading	22
Math	22

A student must be college-ready in at least one of these scores. A college or university may require a specific score for enrollment in certain courses.

Refer to the Sylvania CCP Handbook and Ohio Higher Ed information for more details.



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Students must apply for admission.

1. Students must submit a completed letter of intent to participate in the CCP program to their Sylvania school no later than April 1st.
2. Students should then go to the CCP pages of any college or university they intend to attend for details on application. *This is necessary even for courses offered on Sylvania campus.*
3. Students must apply by the deadline and follow all other college or university rules. These institutions will contact counselors for transcripts and test scores.

Refer to the Sylvania CCP Handbook and Ohio Higher Ed information for more details.



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Students must select and prepare for courses.

1. Colleges and universities assign “Success Coaches” to CCP students. This advisor will help select courses and complete enrollment.
2. Students must obtain books for the courses enrolled.
 - a. Check first with the high school to see if the book is available.
 - b. If unavailable in Sylvania Schools, obtain the book from the bookstore, identifying yourself as a CCP student.

Refer to the Sylvania CCP Handbook and Ohio Higher Ed information for more details.



4 Students must complete courses successfully.

1. Students will follow the rules, requirements, and schedules for all courses as established by the college or university and instructor.
2. Challenges with the course must be addressed through the Success Coach, as Sylvania personnel have no standing with the college or university to settle challenges.
3. Upon completion, Sylvania will receive transcripts and update grades accordingly.

Refer to the Sylvania CCP Handbook and Ohio Higher Ed information for more details.



College Credit Plus Courses

Students may take any courses offered by the participating college or university provided that . . .

- The student meets eligibility or pre-requisite requirements established by the college or university.
- The student starts with Level I courses and continues with them until earning 15 credit hours, at which point the student may complete Level II courses. *Refer to Ohio Higher Ed information online for Level I and Level II details.*
- The course does not fall under the prohibited course list.

Refer to the Sylvania CCP Handbook and Ohio Higher Ed information for more details.



The following courses are prohibited in the CCP program:

- One-on-one private instruction
- Courses with fees that exceed to amount set by the Chancellor of Ohio Higher Ed
- Study abroad courses
- Physical education courses
- Adult content courses
- Courses longer than 1 semester in length
- Pass/fail or satisfactory/unsatisfactory courses
- Remedial courses
- Sectarian religious courses



College Credit Plus Grades

The following details should be noted regarding CCP grades:

- Grades for the CCP course will appear on the student's transcript and count toward graduation progress, if applicable.
- Grades for the CCP course will be calculated in the student's overall GPA.
- Grades for the CCP course will be calculated based on the 5.0 AP scale.



Students must follow credit limits:

- Students may take up to 30 credit hours per year. This is calculated taking into account high school courses with the following calculation:
$$30 - (\text{HS hours} \times 3) = \text{maximum college credit hours.}$$
- The maximum number of credits allowable through the program is 120.

Students exceeding this limit must choose to either drop the courses exceeding the limit or pay the full cost of course and supplies.



Note the following for athletic and extracurricular eligibility:

- OHSAA rules still apply in full.
- Summer CCP courses do not count toward credit requirements for fall or spring participation.
- Students are required to provide evidence of current course grades to their counselor or athletic director to verify eligibility.



College Credit Plus Benefits

Students succeeding in the CCP program can enjoy several clear benefits:

- Students can access rigorous coursework not available in high school.
- Students can make progress toward a college degree early, reducing the amount of time needed to earn a degree.
- Families can use school district funds to pay for college credits, reducing the cost of tuition by asking the school district to pay for that cost.



Students and families should be aware of several challenges associated with the CCP program:

- Students will lose the support of high school administrators, counselors, and teachers in facing academic challenges.
- Accommodations provided for 504 plans and IEP's will be more limited for college classes.
- Students may not be socially or emotionally ready for the rigor of college coursework outside of a high school framework.
- Male students 18 years-old or older failing to provide a selective service number to the college or university will be withdrawn from classes and required to pay all fees.
- Students face significant consequences for underperformance.



What results from “underperformance” in the CCP program?

- Failing grades will result in a requirement for reimbursement from the student’s family. This also occurs with withdrawals after a two-week deadline.
- Poor performance, resulting from a GPA below 2.0, numerous failures, or numerous withdrawals, will result in probation, limiting CCP participation.
- Low grades remain on a student’s college transcript.
- Continued underperformance will prevent a student from participating in CCP.



CCP credits may or may not transfer to the college or university the student wishes to attend after high school graduation.

- Certain credits are guaranteed to transfer from the CCP program to public Ohio colleges and universities.
- Credits earned at a private institution may not transfer.
- Credits earned through CCP may not transfer to out-of-state schools.
- Except for credits earned through Ohio's *Transfer to Degree Guarantee*, the college or university awarding credit decides transfer details.
- Students must request transcripts from the CCP college or university, not the high school.



College Credit Plus Support

Colleges are required to provide support to CCP students.

- CCP students receive a Success Coach, an advisor who will help with the selection of courses and other tasks.
- Colleges are required to provide the same range of support assistance to CCP students as to their other students.



College Credit Plus Expenses

- For public colleges, families pay no tuition, fee, or book expenses. The district pays those costs.
- For private colleges, a small cost per credit hour may be charged.
- Additional expenses, such as parking and transportation, are the responsibility of the family.



College-readiness should be understood in entering the CCP program:

- College-ready means more than academic competence. Students must be socially and emotionally ready for college coursework.
- Time management and organizational skills must be more advanced than those required for most high school courses.
- Students will be independent in pursuing courses and seeking help. In most cases, parents may not intervene in college-associated challenges.



College Credit Plus Next Steps

If you are interested in participating in the CCP program, follow these steps.

1. Review the material in the Sylvania CCP Handbook.
2. Visit CCP pages of local colleges and universities for more information.
3. Submit a letter of intent **no later than April 1, 2020**. Make sure this is complete on both sides. Failure to do this will result in no CCP participation for 2020-2021.
4. Register at the intended college or university and follow the next steps laid out by that institution and high school counselors.



Look to the following resources for help in navigating the CCP program:

- [Sylvania's CCP Handbook](#)
- College or university CCP pages
- [Ohio Higher Ed's Students and Families Resource Page](#)
- [Ohio's Transfer to Degree Guarantee Page](#)



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Remember the flexibility and opportunity available in earning college credit during high school.

Speak to a counselor during scheduling for more information.



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Thank you!



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