Advanced Placement and CCP at LVHS

Advanced Placement

College-level courses taught by highly qualified and specially trained high school staff for high school credit with the potential for earning college credit based on the student's AP exam score at the end of the course. All AP course syllabi are submitted to College Board for review and approval. Students can take an AP course when they have met the pre-requisite courses. Most AP students are junior and senior students, though sometimes we have had younger students participate. We do not require a student to have a "college ready" placement score to take an AP course. The cost of the course is \$98 (this year) with a reduced fee (\$53 this year) for students who receive free or reduced lunch. The reduced fee can sometimes be partially or fully covered by the state of Ohio depending on the annual budget.

The Ohio Department of Higher Education requires all Ohio state colleges and universities to award college credit for a score of 3 or higher on an AP exam. The vast majority of colleges and universities give college credit for successful AP scores, however not all do. It can also be awarded differently. Some more selective colleges will choose to opt you out of a class, but not award actual credit.

Students receive 1.5 credits for the course and the GPA is weighted by 1.0 point.

Ex: A = 5 instead of 4 points

AP at LVHS

- AP Language and Composition
- AP Calculus
- AP Chemistry
- AP Physics I
- AP US History
- AP Government and Politics

What steps should we take if my student wants to participate in AP courses?

Have your student talk with their teachers/counselor about the courses they are interested in and the appropriate time to take them. When they are ready to sign up, they should do so when they complete their schedule registration and turn it in to the counseling office in the winter.

College Credit Plus

Students take college courses offered by a university to earn both high school and college credit concurrently which can be applied to a degree or workforce certification program. College credit is assigned based on passing the course, not a score on the final test. The cost of these courses is free to students who are accepted by the college if the student is attending a public college or university. Private colleges and universities have the option of participating in CCP and the option of charging students and families who participate. The student must be "college-ready" as determined by the college they are attending.

A student receives 1.0 high school credit for a 3 (or more) semester hour college course. LVHS weights all CCP classes on the same 5 point scale used for our AP classes. If a college does not assign +/- to letter grades, the point value of the letter grade assigned will have the same point value as a grade with a + would.

Students can participate in CCP during the summer. The hours do count toward the 30 hour total that can be earned during the year. Summer term will count as the first term of the school year. The CCP year will run from June 1 – May 30. It is important that students pay attention to the 30 hour cap and full time student status if they are student athletes.

CCP at LVHS

KAP (Kenyon Academic Partnership) English – Two Kenyon College English courses taught at LVHS by a high school English teacher; traditionally a senior course (8 semester hours/2.0 high school units of credit).

LVHS has applied to offer a CCP math course through OUZ next year. We are waiting to hear back about the application to see if we will be able to offer that course.

How does a student register for KAP?

Attend a parent information meeting and turn in the intent to participate form by April 1.

Register for the course when signing up for classes and submit the KAP application in the spring when it becomes available. The LV district pays an additional cost for each student.

CCP On the College Campus

Students may apply to a participating college or university of their choice. The college will admit a student based on college-readiness in one or more subject areas as determined by individual colleges. Once the student is admitted he/she needs to work with both the college counselor and Licking Valley school counselor to determine an appropriate class schedule for the student at each location.

How does my student enroll in CCP away from LVHS?

- 1. Attend informational meeting. (Done!)
- 2. Speak with your student's school counselor to discuss any questions you have or what program(s) might be the best fit for your student.
- 3. By **April 1** the school year before your student plans to participate in CCP, complete and submit the "College Credit Plus Intent to Participate Form" to the LVHS counseling office. Failure to turn in the form before April 1 may result in the student not being able to participate in the program. Turning in the form does not force the student to participate, so if a student is still considering options, he or she should turn in the form by April 1 and then let his or her counselor know of their final decision prior to the end of the school year.
- 4. Apply to all college(s) where you wish to take classes. Be sure to meet each individual college's deadline. The student and his or her family should contact the

colleges for information, application forms, and criteria for acceptance into CCP. Some materials are available on the college websites. The student may need to take a college placement test to determine if they are college-ready.

- 5. Submit the Mature Content Form to each college you apply to.
- 6. Notify your student's school counselor of where your student applied in time to have transcripts and other required school paperwork submitted. (Please allow at least one week's time for the counselor section to be completed prior to the college due date.)
- 7. Turn in a copy of the student's acceptance letter or email notification of acceptance from the college to the LVHS counseling office.
- 8. After being accepted to the college, work with your student's college and high school counselors to determine the student's course schedule for next year. When scheduling courses, it is important to make sure courses being taken to fulfill graduation requirements are accepted by LVHS, that the student's high school and college schedules don't conflict and that the student does not go over allowable credit hours per year. Calculate full-time status as follows:
 - a. Determine the student's number of high school ONLY units
 - b. Multiply that number by 3
 - c. Subtract the result from the number 30
 - d. That number is the total number of college credits your student may earn that academic year as a CCP student.

Example: A student is taking 6.0 credits of high school courses at LVHS.

6 x 3 = 18

30-18 = 12

This student is eligible to take 12 semester hours of college courses during this school year.

- 9. After classes are scheduled, turn in an official copy of the student's CCP schedule to the LVHS counseling office. The schedule must include the student name, college name, course number, full name of the course and the amount of credit hours each course is worth. The CCP class schedule must be submitted to the LVHS counseling office at the beginning of each semester.
- 10. Students must also take their schedule to Mrs. Boehmer in the LVHS library as soon as possible so she is able to shop for books online. LVHS will purchase books for the student to use at a public college or university, but the books remain the property of LVHS and must be returned to Mrs. Boehmer at the end of the semester. Students

attending a private college or university may be charged fees for books depending on the college's policy.

11. At the end of each semester, the colleges will send a copy of the student's grades to the high school and the student's high school transcript will be updated.

Things to Consider

- 1. A student will still be required to meet all LVHS graduation requirements regardless of their participation in AP and/or CCP courses.
- 2. A student must provide their own transportation to the college if he or she is taking courses on the college campus. The student is responsible for paying for parking as well.
- 3. The student should be ready for college-level work. CCP courses are college courses in every sense of the word. Students must be sure they are both academically capable and emotionally mature enough to complete the coursework. While AP courses offer the support of a high school teacher and setting, the coursework is at a collegiate level and very rigorous.
- 4. Courses taken on a college campus will be comprised of students of all ages enrolled at the college. Your student may be in a study/project group with other students of any age.
- 5. If your student is in a CCP course, he or she needs to be prepared to do all communication with the professor. The professor will not contact you if there are concerns about your student. If your student is struggling it is their responsibility to seek out the extra help needed, not the role of the parent to contact the professor. There is no requirement for college professors to post grades or assignments online. In fact, most professors are not notified which students in their class are CCP students.
- 6. Students who participate in extracurricular activities must still meet eligibility requirements set by the school district and the OHSAA. Speak to the athletic director to determine eligibility requirements.
- 7. It is important to think about where your student is headed after high school. CCP may be exactly the right pathway for your student, but it may not be for others. Many selective colleges/universities (including OSU Main Campus) have made it clear to us they strongly prefer AP courses over CCP when possible. They want to see CCP used to supplement a high school curriculum, not replace it.

- 8. Credits are guaranteed to transfer from one Ohio public university to another Ohio public university. This does not mean they will count for exactly the same course. There is no guarantee of credit transfer to a private or out-of-state school. It is up to the student and their family to communicate with colleges about transferability of credits.
- 9. If your student participates in CCP and fails a course, or drops the course after the deadline, the cost of the course falls back on the family unless your student qualifies as economically disadvantaged.
- 10. If your student participates in CCP, the courses they earn will impact their high school GPA and possibly their college GPA.
- 11. If in doubt, we recommend contacting the admissions department of the college/program your student is interested in attending. Let them know what your student's options are and see what they recommend.
- 12. Feel free to reach out to your student's Licking Valley counselor as well! We're happy to talk this through with you.
- 13. Seniors who are hoping to take a CCP class required for graduation, must schedule that class first semester or take the course at the high school.
- 14. Students are responsible for self-reporting grades to the counseling office at the end of each nine weeks for Renaissance consideration and to the athletic department for eligibility.
- 15. If a student participating in the CCP program either A) fails to maintain a grade point average of 2.0 or higher in the college courses taken through the CCP program; or B) withdraws from, or receives no credit for two (2) or more courses in the same term, the student will be considered an underperforming student and placed on CCP academic probation. If a student maintains underperforming student status for two (2) consecutive terms of enrollment, the student will be deemed "ineligible."
- 16. Under Federal and State law, male students who are eighteen (18) years of age and who are classified as an Ohio resident by the public college or university they are attending through the CCP program are required to be registered with the Selective Service System. Participating male students are required to provide their Selective Service number, they will not be considered a CCP participant for that current semester or term and will be responsible for any tuition, textbooks, or fees associated with the classes for which they are enrolled.