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**Program requirements for secondary schools.****(A) Participating secondary schools**

- (1) Public secondary schools must offer eligible students the opportunity to participate in the college credit plus program and provide information on how to participate in the program, irrespective of other advanced standing opportunities offered by the school or the existence of specific college credit plus program offerings by the school.
- (2) Nonpublic secondary schools may not deny eligible students from participating in the college credit plus program.

**(B) Programs requirements**

- (1) College credit plus classrooms at the participating secondary school shall consist of students who all follow the same college course syllabus, use the same text book and materials, aspire to achieve the same learning outcomes and are assessed using the same methods as the college course delivered on the college campus.
- (2) All students who have enrolled in an institution of higher education, under the college credit plus program, must be assessed with the same standard of achievement and held to the same grading standards, regardless of where the course is delivered.
- (3) A secondary school student who is not enrolled in the institution of higher education but who is in the college credit plus class shall, along with the student's parents, be provided written notice stating the student is not earning college credit and would likely be required to retake the course upon enrollment at an institution of higher education if college credit is desired.
- (4) Each secondary school shall verify, upon receipt of a pre-term notice of admission received pursuant to rule 3333-1-65.3 of the Administrative Code, that a student electing to participate in the college credit plus program is not taking more than thirty college credit hours during an academic year and not more than the equivalent of four academic years or one hundred and twenty college credit hours total through the college credit plus program under division (B) of section 3365.06 of the Revised Code, including those students eligible to start participating in the program in seventh and eighth grade. If the pre-term notice indicates a student has exceeded his or her maximum college credit hours for that academic year, the secondary school shall promptly notify the student of the issue and give the student the choice of adjusting his or her schedule to comply with the maximum thirty college

credit hours requirement or self-paying for those course credits outside of the college credit plus program. The notice shall be based upon a review of all the pre-term notices received for the student.

For purposes of informing a student's choice to reduce college course selection or self-pay for course credits, the secondary school shall notify the student that if the number of credits conferred by a college course partially exceeds the student's maximum allowable credits, then the whole course shall be considered to exceed the maximum allowable credits.

For purposes of calculating the limitation of thirty college credit hours in one academic year, an academic year shall begin with summer term.

(a) To determine the number of college credits a student earned under division (B) of section 3365.06 of the Revised Code in an academic school year, take the number of secondary units scheduled by the secondary school for which the student receives only secondary school credit, then multiply that number by three and then subtract the result from thirty. The resulting number shall be the total number of college credits a student participant may earn under college credit plus in an academic year.

(b) Prior to the student registering for a course or courses in a term of an institution of higher education, a school shall notify the student of the total number of college credits a student participant may earn under college credit plus in an academic year as calculated in this division.

~~(b)~~(c) Under the college credit plus program postsecondary quarter hours are equal to .67 semester hours rounded to the nearest whole number.

(5) A secondary school shall ensure that enrollment in a college credit plus course for which an end-of-course examination is required under section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code, does not circumvent the participating student's obligation to take the required end-of-course examination, unless the end of course exam is substituted under division (B)(2) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code or under any policy adopted in accordance with law.

(6) Secondary schools shall use the following conversion for a postsecondary course completed by a student participant under college credit plus to determine the amount of high school credit earned through participation in the program:

(a) A college credit plus course transcribing three or more semester credit hours shall count as one full high school unit.

(b) A college credit plus course transcribing less than three semester hours shall count as the proportional fraction of a high school unit.

- (7) The policy for awarding of grades and the calculation of class standing for college credit plus courses adopted and implemented by a district or secondary school pursuant to division (E) of section 3365.04 of the Revised Code shall not disadvantage students who choose to participate in college credit plus rather than in other advanced standing programs, including advanced placement and international baccalaureate.

Established policies shall not provide higher value to any course provided through one advanced standing program as defined in section 3313.6013 of the Revised Code than to a course within the same academic subject area provided by another advanced standing program. A higher value shall also not be granted to honors courses.

- (8) All secondary schools must develop a process to identify students who are economically disadvantaged in accordance with rule 3333-1-65.06 of the Administrative Code.

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