



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3365.03 Enrollment in CCP; eligibility.

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(A) A student enrolled in a public or nonpublic secondary school during the student's ninth, tenth, eleventh, or twelfth grade school year; a student enrolled in a nonchartered nonpublic secondary school in the student's ninth, tenth, eleventh, or twelfth grade school year; or a student who is exempt from the compulsory attendance law for the purpose of home education under section 3321.042 of the Revised Code and is the equivalent of a ninth, tenth, eleventh, or twelfth grade student, may apply to and enroll in a college under the college credit plus program.

(1) In order for a public secondary school student to participate in the program, all of the following criteria shall be met:

(a) The student or the student's parent shall inform the principal, or equivalent, of the student's school by the first day of April or the first day of November of the student's intent to participate in the program in the next semester or term. Any student who provides notification by the first day of April may be approved to participate in the program for the next full school year. Any student who provides notification by the first day of November may be approved to participate in the program for the next semester or term only. Any student who fails to provide the notification by the required date may not participate in the program in the next semester or term without the written consent of the principal, or equivalent. If a student seeks consent from the principal after failing to provide notification by the required date, the principal shall notify the department of education and workforce of the student's intent to participate within ten days of the date on which the student seeks consent. If the principal does not provide written consent, the student may appeal the principal's decision to the governing entity of the school, except for a student who is enrolled in a school district, who may appeal the decision to the district superintendent. Not later than thirty days after the notification of the appeal, the district superintendent or governing entity shall hear the appeal and shall make a decision to either grant or deny that student's participation in the program. The decision of the district superintendent or governing entity shall be final.

(b) The student shall:



(i) Apply to a public or a participating private college, or an eligible out-of-state college participating in the program, in accordance with the college's established procedures for admission, pursuant to section 3365.05 of the Revised Code;

(ii) As a condition of eligibility, satisfy one of the following criteria:

(I) Be remediation-free, in accordance with one of the assessments established under division (F) of section 3345.061 of the Revised Code;

(II) Meet an alternative remediation-free eligibility option, as defined by the chancellor, in consultation with the department, in rules adopted under this section;

(III) Have participated in the program prior to September 30, 2021, and qualified to participate in the program by scoring within one standard error of measurement below the remediation-free threshold for one of the assessments established under division (F) of section 3345.061 of the Revised Code and satisfying one of the conditions specified under division (A)(1)(b)(ii)(I) or (II) of this section as those divisions existed prior to September 30, 2021.

(iii) Meet the college's and relevant academic program's established standards for admission, enrollment, and course placement, including course-specific capacity limitations, pursuant to section 3365.05 of the Revised Code.

(c) The student shall elect at the time of enrollment to participate under either division (A) or (B) of section 3365.06 of the Revised Code for each course under the program.

(d) The student and the student's parent shall sign a form, provided by the school, stating that they have received the counseling required under division (B) of section 3365.04 of the Revised Code and that they understand the responsibilities they must assume in the program.

(2) In order for a nonpublic secondary school student, a nonchartered nonpublic secondary school student, or a home-educated student to participate in the program, both of the following criteria shall be met:



(a) The student shall meet the criteria in divisions (A)(1)(b) and (c) of this section.

(b)(i) If the student is enrolled in a nonpublic secondary school, that student shall send to the department a copy of the student's acceptance from a college and an application by the first day of April or the first day of November prior to the semester or term in which the student wishes to participate. Any student who sends the required documents by the first day of April may be approved to participate in the program for the next full school year. Any student who sends the required documents by the first day of November may be approved to participate in the program for the next semester or term only. The application shall be made on forms provided by the department and shall include information about the student's proposed participation, including the school year in which the student wishes to participate; and the semesters or terms the student wishes to enroll during such year. The department shall mark each application with the date and time of receipt.

(ii) If the student is enrolled in a nonchartered nonpublic secondary school or is home-instructed, the parent or guardian of that student shall notify the department by the first day of April or the first day of November prior to the semester or term in which the student wishes to participate. Any student who provides notification by the first day of April may be approved to participate in the program for the next full school year. Any student who provides notification by the first day of November may be approved to participate in the program for the next semester or term only.

(B) Except as provided for in division (C) of this section and in sections 3365.031 and 3365.032 of the Revised Code:

(1) No public secondary school shall prohibit a student enrolled in that school from participating in the program if that student meets all of the criteria in division (A)(1) of this section.

(2) No participating nonpublic secondary school shall prohibit a student enrolled in that school from participating in the program if the student meets all of the criteria in division (A)(2) of this section and, if the student is enrolled under division (B) of section 3365.06 of the Revised Code, the student is awarded funding from the department in accordance with rules adopted by the chancellor, in consultation with the department, pursuant to section 3365.071 of the Revised Code.



(C) For purposes of this section, during the period of an expulsion imposed by a public secondary school, a student is ineligible to apply to enroll in a college under this section, unless the student is admitted to another public secondary or participating nonpublic secondary school. If a student is enrolled in a college under this section at the time the student is expelled, the student's status for the remainder of the college term in which the expulsion is imposed shall be determined under section 3365.032 of the Revised Code.

(D) Upon a student's graduation from high school, participation in the college credit plus program shall not affect the student's eligibility at any public college for scholarships or for other benefits or opportunities that are available to first-time college students and are awarded by that college, regardless of the number of credit hours that the student completed under the program.

(E) The college to which a student applies to participate under this section shall pay for one assessment used to determine that student's eligibility under this section. However, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Chapter 3365. of the Revised Code, any additional assessments used to determine the student's eligibility shall be the financial responsibility of the student.