



College Credit Plus Guidelines for Heritage Christian School

Ohio has made funding available for High School Students to take college level coursework for free. This college credit may be used as credit/points towards high school graduation. The following packet will guide you through your decision making process to find out if this route is right for you. In keeping with our Christian School guidelines, beliefs and philosophy it is our hope that you will carefully consider what kind of course you might take and at what educational establishment you choose.

Students in grades 9-11 should take online courses. You will not be dismissed from your regular daily class schedule here at HCS. You may however, use the Chrome Books or laptops provided here at school. You may check them out during your study hall and use them to keep up on your college work- load. We encourage this route so that you don't miss out on the high school experience offered here at HCS. Seniors, you are also permitted to take courses at our local colleges and universities or may also pursue online courses. This however, must work with the daily HCS schedule and the student and family are responsible for all travel to and from. We would recommend late afternoon courses, night courses, or summer work. Entering into such a program requires students to be self-motivated and self-starters. HCS is not responsible for monitoring college work or tutoring for a struggling student.

Please make an appointment to talk with our leadership staff about your academic plan and career goals. By April 1st you must notify the school that you intend to participate in College Credit Plus next year. Therefore, your meeting should be planned well in advance of April 1st. You will then need to create a "SAFE" account at <https://safe.ode.state.oh.us/portal> before April 15. Next, you will be required to contact the school or your choice and follow their enrollment procedures to apply for and be accepted into a program. You may be asked to take a college placement test to see if you're ready for the rigor of college coursework. Having already taken the ACT test is also to your advantage. If you receive a failing grade you may be asked to repay the money for the course. Complete documentation will be required for HCS to accept your college work as high school credit.