If you are interested in applying for admission to the College Credit Plus (CCP) program at Kent State Ashtabula, the information in this handout will help you as a student talk over your options with your parents and guidance counselor.

Discuss these things with your guidance counselor:

- What classes do I still need in order to graduate? What University courses can I take to fulfill these requirements?
- How does our school define full-time enrollment? How many classes must I take in order to be eligible for participation in sports?
- How are CCP credits and grades applied to my high school transcript (weighted or un-weighted, credit hours to Carnegie unit conversion)?
- For what reasons would I have to reimburse my high school for the cost of my CCP courses?
- What are my options for meeting my high school requirements if I fail a CCP course?
- Do you believe I am ready for the academic and social challenges of college-level courses and what do you believe would be an appropriate load for me?

Discuss these things with your family:

- How will I get to and from the campus, especially when the weather is bad?
- Can I take classes earlier or later than normal school hours?
- Will I be working or participating in extracurricular activities, and will I have time for the more rigorous demands of college-level courses?
- Am I ready to accept the responsibility and independence that the college classroom demands? Will I participate actively and attend regularly?
- Do I possess the social and emotional maturity necessary to engage in classes designed for and attended by adult students?
- Am I comfortable with the “academic freedom” granted to college professors to choose course materials, create their own grading scale, establish classroom policies, etc.?
- Am I prepared to keep my family informed of my academic progress, since the University will not do that for me?
- Am I comfortable with the impact my CCP grades will have on my high school grade point average, future scholarship opportunities and college admission? Will the grades I earn be taken into consideration for admission into selective majors, etc.?
- How will I pay for failed or withdrawn classes?
- If I am concerned about transferring CCP credits to another university, when will I contact or visit that university to discuss transfer?
- Do I understand the college credit hours I earn now will be taken into consideration when determining my academic progress and eligibility for federal financial aid programs?
- What do I hope to gain by participating in the CCP?
- What will I focus my coursework around?
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ABOUT THE CCP PROGRAM...
The CCP program was established by the State of Ohio to allow college-ready students, grades 7-12, the opportunity to earn both high school and college credit. The tuition costs for students who attend under Option B will be shared by the school district and the college as established by a state formula or negotiated agreement.

Students with questions about Kent State Ashtabula's CCP program should contact:
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ADMISSION STANDARDS AND PLACEMENT PRACTICES
• Students seeking admission into the CCP program must demonstrate college-readiness by meeting the University’s remediation-free standards. This is best assessed using ACT or SAT scores in English and Reading. ✪
• Students who, in consultation with the CCP advisor, desire courses in mathematics or that have a mathematics prerequisite may need to complete the University's math placement assessment. ✪
• Accepted students will be invited to schedule an individual advising session during which they will be enrolled in courses as recommended by the CCP advisor and based upon high school record, graduation requirements, teacher recommendations and ACT/SAT scores, state limitations, course availability and high school-established Pathways (if the student desires). Students should also choose courses based on information they’ve gathered regarding their future college and/or major, thereby choosing courses they have determined will be most applicable. ✪

APPLICANT CHECKLIST
- Talk with your family and guidance counselor about the CCP program. Sign your intent to participate and submit it to your counselor before April 1.
- Attend a CCP Information Session at your high school (if available) or at Kent State Ashtabula.
- Register to take the ACT and/or SAT. Dates, locations, and registration information is available at www.act.org and www.sat.org. It is preferred that you take the test in December, February, or April. (Kent State Ashtabula's ACT code is 3773, SAT code is 1485)
- Apply online at www.ashtabula.kent.edu/ccp. Submit all required materials by May 1.

* These items are tentative and may be revised following official confirmation of CCP Rules and creation of policy by Kent State University.
Kent State Ashtabula will host two on-campus information nights, held on Wednesday, March 2, 2016 and Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 6 p.m. in the Blue and Gold Room in Main Hall.

By April 1, students will need to notify their school counselor if they intend to participate in College Credit Plus next year. After April 1, the student will need permission from the school district superintendent to participate.

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