

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS

Memorandum of Understanding By and between

The University of Akron
And

Cuyahoga Falls City School District
2022 – 2023 School Year

1. STATEMENT OF WORK

The University of Akron, hereinafter called **The University**, will collaborate with **Cuyahoga Falls City School District**, hereinafter called **The District**, to provide instructional services to qualifying students for University Credit.

2. THE PROGRAM

This College Credit Plus program is available to qualified students enrolled in The District. It is not intended to be a substitute for the academic programs, social growth opportunities, or other educational experiences provided by Ohio's schools. Rather, it is designed to provide enhanced access to university curricula for qualified students. This program hopes to increase the university attendance rate in The University's region by making university courses more readily available.

3. PARTICULARS

A. Instructional Services: Unless otherwise agreed by the parties, College Credit Plus courses will be taught in one of five formats:

A1. High School Teacher as Adjunct - Members of the high school faculty who are determined by The University and the discipline specific departments to qualify as adjunct faculty may teach a University course (using a University syllabus, University textbooks and examinations and university web resources including Brightspace) for students through College Credit Plus as determined by The University. The class will simultaneously carry University and high school credit.

A2. On-Line Course Delivery - A member of the University faculty (as determined by The University) may teach a course on-line for qualified students through College Credit Plus. The class will simultaneously carry University and high school credit.

A3. Distance Learning Delivery - A member of the University faculty (as determined by The University) may teach a course via Distance Learning for qualified students through College Credit Plus. The class will simultaneously carry University and high school credit.

A4. UA Faculty to High School Site - A member of the University faculty (as determined by The University) may teach a course at the high school site for qualified students through College Credit Plus. The University and The District will agree upon a minimum enrollment to offer the class and The University reserves the right to cancel a class due to low enrollment. The class will simultaneously carry University and high school credit.

A5. High School Student to UA Campus (Any Site) – Qualified students may take a course on the campus of The University through College Credit Plus. This format includes hybrid courses with both an on-campus and online component. The class will simultaneously carry University and high school credit.

- B. All required textbooks, including access codes for e-books, will be the responsibility of the school district.
- C. Student Participation: Students interested in participating in this program must apply to The University for College Credit Plus. Determination of qualification will be made according to the standards of The University. Qualifying students will be eligible to enroll in these College Credit Plus classes for the fall, spring and summer semesters as long as they meet all admission deadlines. All College Credit Plus students must complete a mandatory orientation prior to class registration. Students must work with the Guidance Office at The District to ensure their high school requirements and District policies for graduation are satisfied.

Students will also be required to work closely with their University academic adviser to assure that all deadlines and requirements are met.

Students seeking accommodations for ADA will be required to be assessed through The University of Akron Office of Accessibility. Resources will be determined by the Office of Accessibility based on submitted documentation and assessment.

Students must remain eligible to continue to participate in the College Credit Plus program based on the State of Ohio guidelines.

4. CURRICULUM

- A. Course Schedule: Courses offered at The District will be determined by The District AND The University and will fall within the State of Ohio guidelines. Initial discussions regarding the course schedule for the upcoming school year will take place at meetings with the appropriate personnel from The University and The District. Changes to the course schedule will be made only upon agreement of both parties.
- B. Credit Hour Requirements: Courses offered at The District must meet the minimum number of “seat time” hours as determined by the credit hours for the course. A three-credit hour course must meet the equivalent of 150 minutes per week for fifteen weeks, for a total of 2,250 minutes for the semester. A four-credit hour course must meet the equivalent of 200 minutes per week for fifteen weeks, for a total of 3,000 minutes for the semester. Class time missed for holidays or teacher in-service days not observed by The University must be made up.
- C. Class Composition: All students in a class offered through College Credit Plus at The District must qualify for and be enrolled through College Credit Plus.

- D. Courses will explicitly follow University course syllabi and include all required exams, assignments, student learning assessments, and web resources including Brightspace, and final grades must be submitted by the specified deadline set by the University. Course instructors will maintain all privileges, responsibilities, and expectations as a University adjunct faculty member, including in-class evaluations by University personnel and student course evaluations.
- E. It is the responsibility of The District to review class rosters provided by The University the week before the beginning of each semester. The District must contact The University with any necessary roster corrections by the end of the second week of each fall and spring semester.

5. TERM

The services described in this Agreement will be provided for the 2022 - 2023 academic year (summer, fall and spring.)

6. CANCELLATION

This MOU may be terminated only as follows:

Upon written notice given no less than sixty (60) day prior to the expiration of the then-current term, if sufficient funding is no longer available from the State of Ohio.

7. COST SHARING

The District will be assessed for College Credit Plus as described below:

Format 1: The District will be assessed for students taking College Credit Plus courses at the high school, through Particular A1, based on the following formula:

Ohio Department of Higher Education Floor per credit hour x number of credit hours x number of students = assessed amount

Format 2: The District will be assessed for students taking College Credit Plus courses at the high school, through Particulars A2 or A3 or A4, based on the following formula:

Ohio Department of Higher Education Mid-Rate per credit hour x number of credit hours x number of students = assessed amount

Format 3: The District will be assessed for students taking College Credit Plus courses on the campus (any site) of The University, through Particular A5, based on the following formula:

Ohio Department of Higher Education Ceiling per credit hour x number of credit hours x number of students = assessed amount

8. ENTIRETY OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement, including Exhibit A constitutes the entire understanding between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes any and all prior

understandings and agreements, oral and written, relating hereto. Any amendment hereof must be in writing and executed by authorized representatives of both parties.

9. NONDISCRIMINATION

Each party agrees to comply with all applicable laws regarding affirmative action and equal employment opportunity in connection with this Agreement and each party further agrees not to discriminate against any person or group of persons on the basis of race, color, creed, sex, age, national origin, ancestry, religion or disability.

10. PUBLICITY

No publicity containing any reference to The University, other than the fact that the Agreement exist between the parties, shall be used by either party, except upon prior approval by the other party.

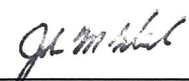
11. GOVERNING LAW

The terms of the Agreement shall be governed and construed under the laws of the State of Ohio.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound hereby, have duly executed this Agreement the day and year above written.

THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON

BY:




Dr. John Wiencek
Executive VP & Provost

2/23/2022
Date

DISTRICT

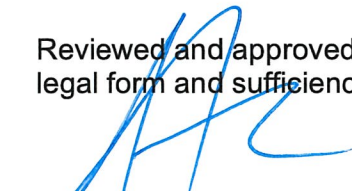
BY:



Russell Chaboudy, Superintendent
Cuyahoga Falls City School District

2/16/22
Date

Reviewed and approved for
legal form and sufficiency:



Scott M. Campbell
Assistant General Counsel

2/23/22
Date

Exhibit A

Participation in the College Credit Plus program is intended to serve qualified 7th through 12th grade students. The determination of a student's qualifications will be made solely by The University.

Preferred College Credit Plus Eligibility Requirements for 7th through 12th grade participants:

- UA Admissions Rule 3359-60-02...“Students whose admissions index score predicts a first-year college grade-point average of 2.5 or greater will be considered college ready. Those whose admissions index score predicts a first-year college grade-point average of less than 2.5 but greater than 2.0 will be considered emergent. Those whose admissions index score predicts a first-year college grade-point average of less than 2.0 will be considered preparatory. Students with an admissions index score that is slightly below the cut-off for college-ready status and documented extenuating circumstances may, at the discretion of the admissions office, be granted college-ready status. Students with an admissions index score that is slightly below the cut-off for emergent status and documented extenuating circumstances may, at the discretion of the admissions office, be granted emergent status.”
 - All applicants must meet the College Readiness standards as outlined by the Ohio Department of Higher Education
 - **Preferred** 3.00 cumulative grade point average with 21 ACT composite or 1060 SAT total (math and evidence-based reading and writing combined score).
 - The University is following the state guidelines for CCP eligibility allowing ACT/SAT scores to be optional. Students admitted without ACT/SAT scores will be required to complete placement testing through the University for specific course placement.
 - All eligibility will be evaluated on a case by case basis