Dear parents/guardians:

Post Secondary Education Option (PSEO) has now changed to College Credit Plus (CCP). With this name change comes a few changes in how and when students may enroll in a college level course for high school and college credit.

Here is what you need to know:

- Students in grades 7-12 can apply for College Credit Plus admission to a public or participating private college. The college will admit students based on their college-readiness in one or more subject areas.
- College Credit Plus allows high school students to earn college credit and apply that credit toward their high school graduation requirements.
- CCP does not replace the requirements to earn a high school diploma. This includes earning 18 points or more on the graduation tests. Even if students are enrolled in college courses, they must take the end-of-course exams in English I, English II, Algebra I and Geometry.
  - High school graduation requirements will not be waived as a result of participation in CCP. Students will not receive a diploma until after the course is successfully completed and the graduation requirement is met.
- Students do not have to take the end-of-course exams in Physical Science, American Government, and American History if they are enrolled in College Credit Plus courses that substitute.
  - A CCP student’s end of-course grades in Physical Science, American Government, and American History will correspond with a point scale used for graduation requirements.
- College Credit Plus provides more options for students to pursue rigorous academic coursework beyond the high school classroom. Under College Credit Plus, students can complete their freshman year of college or more, or explore college content that interests them.
- Some college courses under CCP are offered at Jackson High School. Students may also attend a college or take online courses offered by the college where they have been admitted.
- Students may take any course(s) offered by the college where they have been admitted; however, the college/university has discretion on what courses students may take.
- Jackson High School has developed two CCP sample pathways:
  - one leading to 15 credits and another to 30 credits
  - These pathways are in the high school Programs of Study posted on the High School website under Quick Links.
- CCP grades will appear on your child’s high school transcript; high school credit will be awarded for courses successfully completed.
  - All College Credit Plus courses will be computed into the GPA using the same scale as Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate courses at Jackson High School.
  - Classes failed or withdrawn with an “F” will receive an “F” on the high school and college transcripts and will be computed into the high school and college GPA. If students do not receive a passing grade, Jackson Local Schools will seek reimbursement for the amount of state funds paid to the college on the student’s behalf for that college course.
The school district may withhold grades and credits received for high school courses taken until reimbursement has been made.

Students attending a public college will not be charged for tuition, books, or fees. Students attending a private college may be charged based on the particular private college and where the course is delivered, in accordance with law.

- Student athletes must remain eligible in accordance with the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) bylaws. To be athletically eligible, students must be passing five, one credit courses or the equivalent per grading period with the high school and college courses combined.
- Students will be expected to follow the rules and regulations set by the college/university.
- Students will be expected to follow the rules and regulations set for Jackson High School/Jackson Middle School as detailed in the student handbooks.

A PowerPoint with additional information is posted on the district web-page under Quick Links, CCP. You may also wish to visit the Ohio Board of Regents website at www.ohiohighered.org. The most important thing is to begin a conversation with your child’s middle school or high school counselor. They can walk you through the steps and answer any of your questions. You should, by April 1, 2015, notify your school counselor if your child intends to participate in College Credit Plus next year.

Professionally,

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