

College Credit Plus Advisory Committee Joint Sunset Review Committee May 7, 2024

Chairman Wilkin, Vice Chairman Hillyer, and members of the Joint Sunset Review Committee, my name is Michael Graham, and I am the Director of Legislative Affairs at the Ohio Department of Higher Education. I appreciate the opportunity to provide testimony to recommend the continuation of the College Credit Plus Advisory Committee today.

As you know, College Credit Plus (CCP) is Ohio's dual enrollment program in which students in 7th through 12th grades are concurrently enrolled in both high school and college. Students can earn college credit, which counts as progress towards their high school graduation requirements. Established in House Bill 487 by the 130th General Assembly, the College Credit Plus program also tasked the Chancellor of Higher Education and the Department of Education and Workforce to jointly establish the College Credit Plus Advisory Committee (ORC 3365.15). The Advisory Committee reviews data received from Ohio's public and private colleges, universities, and secondary schools to evaluate students' enrollment and performance, ensure the program's effectiveness, and identify areas for continuous improvement.

The College Credit Plus program became operational in the fall of 2015. The Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE) has been gathering data over the course of each academic year and publish an annual report every December that is readily available on the ODHE website at https://highered.ohio.gov/initiatives/access-acceleration/college-credit-plus. The Advisory Committee is key in developing performance metrics and monitoring the program's progress.

Thank you for allowing me to speak to the College Credit Plus Advisory Committee. I would be happy to answer any questions you may have at this time.

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