

CCCPO Meeting – November 11, 2024

CCPS College and Career Readiness (CCR) Pathways

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Current CCR Pathway Options:

Dual Enrollment (DE) at CCC

- CCPS covers cost of tuition, fees, books
- Earn college credit

Career & Technology Education (CTE) completer programs

- Students earn an industry recognized credential (IRC) or transcribed college credit
- Offered at CCCTE or at individual high schools

Advanced Placement (AP)

Planned CCR Pathway Options Under Blueprint:

- Dual enrollment (DE) Pathway
 - Can result in Associate's Degree (60 credits)
 - For FY26 & FY27, participation is limited to 4 courses per school year covered by CCPS – additional courses would be paid for by the student's family
- Career & Technology Education (CTE) Pathway
 - Successful completion will result in IRC, college credit, or apprenticeship
 - Greater emphasis on apprenticeship
- Advanced Placement (AP) Pathway
 - Eligible for AP Capstone Diploma or the Maryland AP Pathway
- Support Pathway
 - For students who have not met the CCR standard (intended to be met by end of 10th grade)

CCR Standard

- High school grade GPA of 3.0 or higher AND Earn at least a C in Algebra I or score Proficient or above in Algebra I MCAP (About 58% of kids meet the CCR standard)
- Funding from the state doesn't cover all the cost of this. Per Mr. Shockney, CCPS gets ~\$500 from the state per student who qualifies for the CCR (Carroll's relative wealth factor plays a role in the amount so not the same across the state)
 - o Funding from the state won't fully cover the cost

Dual Enrollment (DE) Pathway

- An early college program at a student's high school and higher education
- Approved courses will be on a high school transcript
- Dual enrollment courses are transcribed with an additional 1.0 weight (5.0 scale)
- Grades will be calculated into the student's high school GPA
- To participate, 11th and 12th grade
 - o 2.6 unweighted GPA required on all courses on CCC campus and math courses at high schools
 - o 2.5 unweighted GPA for non-math general education courses at CCPS locations
- Early College/GT (9th, 10th, and younger) – considered on a case-by-case basis
- The Articulation System from Maryland Colleges and Universities
 - o <https://artsys.usmd.edu/>

CTE Pathway Options

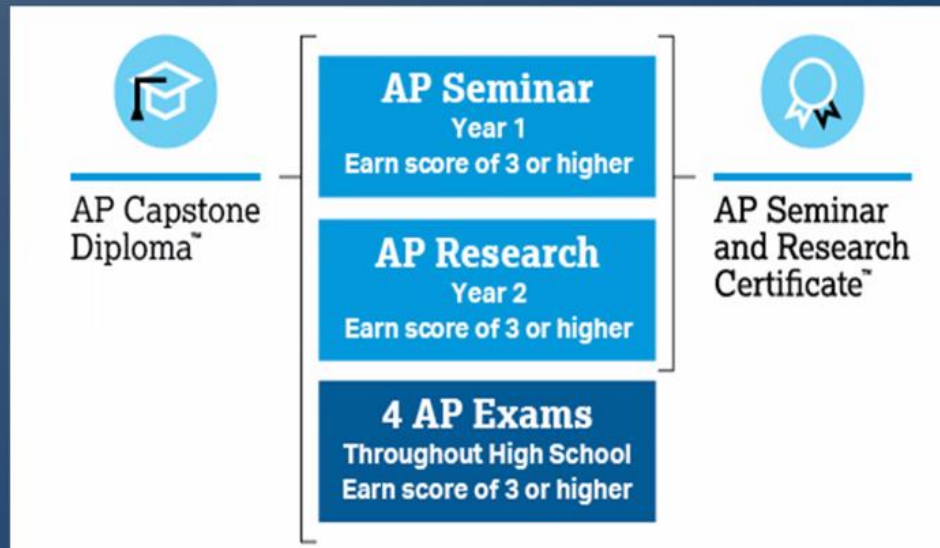
- **These are competitive programs and some of these have a big expense**
- 1 – CTE Completer Programs
 - A series of at least 3 courses related to a specific career field, located at the high schools or the CCCTE
 - Completer programs are approved by MSDE to meet graduation requirements
 - ** Career majors are not approved by MSDE to meet graduation requirements, helps student determine if they would like to be in this field
 - 2 – Registered Apprenticeship
 - Hired by an approved company
 - 3 – Youth Apprenticeship plus Industry Recognized Credential
 - At least 450 hours of work-based learning during their 11th and 12th grade years
 - Hired by approved company

Advanced Placement (AP) Pathway

- AP courses are college-level classes in a variety of subjects with curriculum created by the College Board
- Students encouraged to take the exam, CCPS pays for it
- AP Research is a mini-dissertation – research, paper, presentation, have a teacher and mentor
- AP Capstone Certificate = AP Seminar and Research Certificate
- AP Seminar and AP Research are year-long courses, can be taken as a Sophomore or Junior and count as the English credit so don't have to take English class on top of that
- Can be any field, fine arts, stem, music, literature, etc
- Varies by college what credit is offered to AP Seminar and AP Research, they have only been around 10 years so colleges are figuring it out

- <https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/getting-credit-placement/search-policies/course/40>

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Option 1: AP Capstone Diploma

Minimum Number of Required AP Courses: 6

Specific Courses Required: AP Seminar, AP Research, 4 Additional AP Courses

Scores Required: 3 or Higher on all 6 AP exams

Option 2: Maryland AP

Minimum Number of Required AP Courses: 5

Specific Courses Required: At least 2 Courses in the same Content Area; At least 2 Content Areas included

Scores Required: 3 or Higher on at least 3 AP exams

Additional Requirement to complete Pathway: A score of C or higher in

- All courses

Course Content Areas	Course/Exam	
English/Language Arts & Research	AP English Language and Composition AP English Literature and Composition	AP Seminar AP Research
Mathematics	AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC	AP Precalculus AP Statistics
Science	AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science AP Physics 1: Algebra-Based	AP Physics 2: Algebra-Based AP Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism AP Physics C: Mechanics
Social Studies	AP Comparative Government and Politics AP European History AP Human Geography AP Macroeconomics AP Microeconomics	AP Psychology AP United States Government and Politics AP United States History AP World History: Modern
Arts	AP 2-D Art and Design AP 3-D Art and Design	AP Drawing AP Music Theory
Computer Sciences	AP Computer Science A	AP Computer Science Principles
World Languages	AP French Language and Culture AP German Language and Culture	AP Spanish Language and Culture AP Spanish Literature and Culture

Fear that it will be a reality to offer fewer course offerings in order to meet the Blueprint fiscal compliance requirements with compensatory education

Why Consider Dual Enrollment?

- Earn high school and college credit while still in high school.
- Guaranteed (elective) credit at in-state public colleges.
- Challenge through independent learning.
- Less time in class- two days/week class time.
- Take advantage of diverse course offerings.
- Start working towards associate's degree.

Why take AP classes?

- Competitive four-year college admissions counselors want to see a strong schedule.
- Preparation for the expectations of college level coursework - and the real world!
- AP classes now serve as an indicator of how a student compares to other applicants from around the world.
- Research shows that success in an AP class is a good indication students WILL be successful in college.
- Potential for college credit through AP exams.



Support Pathway

- For students who are not CCR by the end of 10th grade
- Individualized Support Plan (ISP), gets teacher as an advisor
- Priority advising/career counseling to non-CCR students
- Differentiated and flexible instruction
- Piloting at 3 high schools

Next meeting – December 9