

## ASHTABULA AREA CITY SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents:

As of September 2014, the State of Ohio has enacted the college Credit Plus Program. This new program replaces the Post Secondary Enrollment Option Program. The college Credit Plus Program enables high school students to obtain college or high school credit (or both) from an institution of higher learning during their freshmen through senior years.

Basically, there are two options available. First, one may choose college credit only. Under this option, parents must assume all costs involved. This option has been available to our students for the past several years.

Secondly, one may choose enrollment in a college course that would be taken for high school credit and would also count toward high school graduation. If the student completes this course, there would be no cost except perhaps for transportation. Also, if the student should choose to enroll in the college where the course is taken that college will grant college credit for the course.

There are several guidelines that cover this topic. Mrs. Irene Skleres from Kent State University will meet with interested parents and students on **Thursday February 12, from 5pm – 6pm**. in the Large Group Instruction room at the Lakeside High School. Mrs. Skleres will make a presentation about College Credit Plus Program and will entertain questions from the audience.

If you and your child have any interest in participating in this program, it is necessary that you meet with Mr. Evanson and Ms. Bodnar after the presentation and they will review the application process with you. Future 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students should contact their building principal or guidance counselor.

Your commitment that your child intends to participate in this program must be made by May 1, 2015. If interested, please contact the counselors by that date and arrangements will be made to fully explain the program.

Sincerely,

Lakeside High School Guidance Counselors \*Mr. Stephen Evanson \*Ms. Sarah Bodnar

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