



“Our best experience in the program was gaining exposure and experience as full-time college students while completing our senior year.”



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# What is the Seniors to Sophomores Program?

*Seniors-to-Sophomores (S2S) is a highly selective, dual enrollment program for seniors that enables them to earn high school and college credit simultaneously. The program will allow students to be challenged academically, gain valuable life skills, and potentially enter college as a sophomore. Student participants are chosen through a selection process after applying and meeting the program's eligibility requirements.*

## S2S... Assistance & Support

S2S is a program under the umbrella of College Credit Plus (CCP). CCP was created by the state of Ohio in 2015. S2S offers an additional layer of targeted support and advising to ensure that cohort members are successful. It also allows students the benefit of collaborating with other CCS students. Participants are selected by the program committee in separate application and acceptance processes.

### S2S provides ASSISTANCE that covers:

- The cost of tuition, books, and fees (*fees like parking and campus rec center are not covered*)
- Extended COTA bus pass to help with transportation

### Selected students can participate with the following program partners:

- Columbus State Community College
- Otterbein University
- The Ohio State University

### STUDENT BENEFITS INCLUDE:

- Exposure to college coursework
- A year worth of college credit (*a minimum of 22 semester hours*) at no cost
- High school AND college credit simultaneously
- Courses weighted on a 5.0 scale
- Added layer of targeted support in the form of:
  - Academic advising
  - Ongoing check-ins
  - Collaboration with other CCS students provided by cohort model

### STUDENT ELIGIBILITY INCLUDES:

- Rising Seniors (*students completing 11<sup>th</sup> grade*)
- Earned a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Completed Math III or higher with a B or better
- Completed 3-years of English with a B or better
- On track to meet one state graduation option
- Meet university admission requirements
- College placement exams or ACT/SAT scores may be used to determine student eligibility

### STUDENT APPLICATION INCLUDES:

- Transcript
- Attendance and Discipline Records
- Essay
- [Application Form \(CLICK TO OPEN\)](#)
- [2 Letters of Recommendation \(CLICK TO OPEN\)](#)

## Next Steps for Students:

- 1 Submit a College Credit Plus Letter of Intent by April 1
- 2 [S2S Applications](#) and [Letters of Recommendation](#) will be available (live!) online on February 1, 2024
- 3 For more information contact the Columbus City Schools' Higher Education Partnership Office at 614-365-8600 or email Melanie Shafer at [mshafer1865@columbus.k12.oh.us](mailto:mshafer1865@columbus.k12.oh.us)