



# High School Apex Alternative Courses Credit Flexibility Application

## STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Home School: \_\_\_\_\_ Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_ School Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## COURSE INFORMATION – *(All credit flex will be graded as regular weight with the WCS grading scale unless specified and pre-approved.)* **CHECK THE COURSE BEING TAKEN**

Classes that are checked below, the high school registrar will enter in to the student PowerSchool schedule.

On the lines before course, indicate Term (Tm) either 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or year, and indicate which Period (Pd) of the day course will be taken.

### Tm/Pd **BUSINESS:**

- \_\_\_ College and Career Prep I Core (CF242) .5 credit
- \_\_\_ College and Career Prep II Core (CF243) .5 credit
- \_\_\_ Business Applications Core (CF245) .5 credit
- \_\_\_ Info Technology Applications Core (CF247) .5 credit

### Tm/Pd **ELECTIVES:**

- \_\_\_ Art Appreciation (CF140) .5 credit
- \_\_\_ Music Appreciation (CF141) 1 credit
- \_\_\_ Music Appreciation S1 (CF141a) .5 credit
- \_\_\_ Music Appreciation S2 (CF141b) .5 credit

### Tm/Pd **ENGLISH:**

- \_\_\_ Creative Writing Core (CF215) .5 credit
- \_\_\_ Media Literacy Core (CF216) .5 credit
- \_\_\_ Writing Skills and Strategies Core (CF218) .5 credit

### Tm/Pd **SOCIAL STUDIES:**

- \_\_\_ US Government 2 (S/L/ECON) (CF131) .5 credit
- \_\_\_ Geography & World Cultures Core (CF174) .5 credit
- \_\_\_ US History Core (CF222) 1 credit
- \_\_\_ US & Global Economics Core (CF227) .5 credit
- \_\_\_ Macroeconomics AP (CF229) 1 AP credit
- \_\_\_ Microeconomics AP (CF230) 1 AP credit
- \_\_\_ Multicultural Studies Core (CF231) .5 credit
- \_\_\_ World History to Renaissance Core (CF250) 1 credit
- \_\_\_ Psychology AP (CF266) 1 AP credit

### Tm/Pd **HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION:**

- \_\_\_ Physical Education (CF244) .5 credit
- \_\_\_ Physical Education 1 (CF103) .25 credit
- \_\_\_ Physical Education 2 (CF104) .25 credit

### Tm/Pd **MATHEMATICS:**

- \_\_\_ AP Placement Statistics (CF139) 1 AP credit
- \_\_\_ Financial Literacy Core (CF157) .5 credit
- \_\_\_ Mathematics of Personal Finance Core (CF183) 1 credit
- \_\_\_ Probability & Statistics Core (CF184) .5 credit
- \_\_\_ Bridge Math (CF343) 1 credit

### Tm/Pd **SCIENCE:**

- \_\_\_ Earth Science Core (CF196) 1 credit

Answer the following questions by indicating "yes" or "no" regarding your Credit Flexibility request.

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|-------------------------------------|-----|----|
| Are you currently an OHSAA athlete? | Yes | No |
| Do you plan to be an NCAA athlete?  | Yes | No |

\*\*\*NCAA Eligibility Center will not accept "Test Out" Credit Flexibility options as one of their core courses.

Approval by Building Administrator: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

As the courses outlined on this specific document/form are already accepted and approved, a signature by the Director of Alternative Education and Assessment is not needed. Rather, approval is obtained at the building level through the school administrator.

## CREDIT FLEXIBILITY INFORMATION

Credit Flexibility applies to any alternative coursework, assessment and/or performance. If a student is using Credit Flexibility to receive equivalent graduation credit, he/she must apply for and receive approval from the school district in advance. Approved credit awarded through this policy will be posted on the student's transcript and count toward a student's grade point average (GPA), class rank, and as graduation credit in the related subject areas or as an elective. The school district will include details of the Credit Flexibility Policy on the district website and in the High School Course Description Guide.

### Considerations:

- Academic content areas taught in Westerville are aligned to the district and state curricula and support students' performance on the Ohio Graduation Test. Credit Flexibility proposals for courses that are currently offered at Westerville City Schools should support these same provisions to receive credit.
- Some courses may require performance components in addition to the assessment in order to earn the credit.
- Credit Flexibility may impact a student's athletic eligibility just as any course taken under the traditional model.
- Currently the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) will not accept course credit earned through the test-out option of Credit Flexibility (Division I only).
- **All costs involved with Credit Flex, including transportation, are at the parent/guardian's expense.**

### Application:

- Any student may apply for credit to be awarded through Credit Flexibility by submitting the Credit Flexibility Application Form

### Review of Application:

- Upon approval of a completed application, the student may then proceed with the learning activity and credit will be awarded when all requirements are completed and the teacher of record deems the work is proficient.

### Awarding Credit:

A student will be eligible to receive credit upon satisfactory completion of the coursework outlined in the approved proposal. The following standards and guidelines apply to awarding credit:

- There is no limit to the total number of credits that may be awarded.
- The successful completion of a pre-approved course will result in credit being designated as fulfilling either required or elective credit toward graduation requirements and sent to the appropriate counselor and registrar.
- If a student transfers to the Westerville City School District and the student has not completed course requirements to receive credit as approved by the previous district, the principal/designee may consider this an ongoing Credit Flexibility Plan. This plan may require adjustments to meet Westerville credit requirements.
- Should a Westerville student transfer to another school district, upon request of the student or parent, the district will forward a copy of the approved application to the new district for consideration. Acceptance of this plan is at the new district's discretion.
- Westerville City Schools will accept all credit for completed Credit Flex Courses from other districts.
- **Students who plan on participating in athletics at the Division I College Level should be aware that the credit flexibility test-out option will not be included as part of the NCAA Initial Eligibility Center's qualifying core classes required for eligibility. Student athletes should consult the NCAA if they have any questions.**

I understand that any grade earned as part of the Credit Flexibility option will be treated as a permanent grade on my transcript. The assessment may only be taken one time. If a student wishes to replace the grade on the assessment, they must participate in the full-length course in a classroom if it is offered.

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I have reviewed this Credit Flexibility Application with my counselor and understand all work is my responsibility.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher of Record (TOR) Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature indicates I have discussed course with student)

Other Participating Teacher Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_