

## Career and College Promise (CCP) Information Sheet

CCP allows eligible high school students to take community college classes for free.

**Is CCP right for you?** These are college level classes, so you will be expected to be able to work and even learn independently. Students taking a CCP class should be highly motivated and have excellent self management skills to keep up with deadlines.

**What classes can you take?** At Wake Tech, you can take general elective classes through the [College Transfer Pathways](#): Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, Associate in Visual Arts, Associate in Engineering, Associate in Arts Teacher Prep, or Associates in Science Teacher Prep. You can also take classes in one of the 41 [CTE Pathway Options](#).

**AP or CCP?** It depends on you and the class, but here is some information to consider when deciding what is best for you. AP classes are taught at the college level with high school support. CCP are college classes. You will earn college credit by passing a CCP class (with at least a C). You earn college credit by scoring at least a 3 on the AP exam, not by passing the AP class. Most colleges do **not** prefer one class over the other. However, extremely selective schools may prefer AP classes over CCP classes (ex. Duke prefers AP over CCP, UNC Chapel Hill and NC State do not have a preference).

**Can a CCP class count as a high school graduation requirement?** Some CCP classes can count as a fourth social studies or fourth math graduation requirement. Two American History classes (HIS 131 and HIS 132) at Wake Tech can count as the American History high school graduation requirement. English and science will require more than one Wake Tech class to equal one high school graduation requirement. [See pages 9 - 11 for specific requirements](#). Note that students can only take both HIS 131 and HIS 132 in the College Transfer Pathway Leading to the Associate in Arts.

**How do CCP classes count in your GPA?** CCP classes in the CT Pathway have the same weight as an AP class (one extra quality point). CCP classes in the CTE Pathway *only* have the same weight as an AP class *if* the class is listed on the [Comprehensive Articulation Agreement](#), otherwise, the class weight is the same as an academic level class. View CCP course weights [here](#). CCP classes must be at least 3 credit hours to count as a high school credit. These classes will be included on your high school transcript and included in your high school GPA.

**Can I take a Wake Tech CCP class online?** How a class is offered and when a class is offered is not known until the registration period opens up for Wake Tech. View the [Wake Tech Course Catalog](#) to see how the class was previously offered. Many classes are offered online. This often means asynchronous and requires a student to be an independent learner.

**How do I enroll?** [Here are the steps](#). The first step is watching an informational video to learn more about the program. After watching the video, if you are interested in the program, meet with your AFHS school counselor to discuss your plans for CCP. As a 9th or 10th grader, you

have additional eligibility requirements to participate in CCP. Meet with your counselor to review your eligibility, goal for taking CCP classes, plan for classes throughout high school, and process for requesting a recommendation from Mr. Pittman.

To complete the [CCP application](#), you will need to include your transcript. You can request a transcript [here](#). It takes a few weeks to receive your acceptance information. It is better to apply sooner than later so all requirements are completed by the time class registration opens up. Choose your pathway wisely; you may only register for classes in the pathway you register for.

**How will taking a CCP class affect my AFHS schedule?** As a 9th or 10th grader, you must take a full course load at AFHS. Any CCP classes you take are in addition to your four AFHS classes. Once you register for a CCP course, complete and submit the [dual enrollment form](#). When you receive your Wake Tech schedule, send it to us so we can add it to your AFHS schedule. If you drop the CCP class, please let your counselor know as soon as possible.

**Other information:**

- Wake Tech follows a different school calendar. Their semester starts before our semester.
- Students can take CCP classes in the fall, spring, or summer term.
- Wake Tech has their own process and [deadlines](#) for withdrawing from a class.
- View Wake Tech course descriptions and prerequisites [here](#).
- [Requirements to be placed in Calc 1, 2, or 3.](#)
- Most AFHS students who participate in AFHS in CCP do so through Wake Tech, but the CCP program is offered at all NC community colleges, including [Durham Tech](#) and [Central Carolina](#).
- You are starting your college transcript when you take classes through CCP.

**Tips and Feedback from AFHS students who have taken CCP classes:**

- ★ *“Research the professors on [ratemyprofessor.com](#) before signing up for the class. That makes a world of a difference in how your CCP experience will be.”*
- ★ *“a good way to get free college classes. However I would only recommend students that are timely and do not turn in late work to take these classes.”*
- ★ *“Just make sure that you register and enroll early, the paperwork is very annoying”*
- ★ *“Make sure you can handle the amount of time it takes to read the textbook, take notes, listen to lectures, complete assignments, take tests and quizzes within your school schedule. You might have to spend time during your afterschool free time to complete things.”*
- ★ *“I chose to take CCP courses so I could get a taste for what my future college classes might be like and get a feel for a typical college professor. I also wanted to be able to work ahead which you are able to do in CCP courses whereas in AFHS courses you move at a class pace vs. individual pace. I was able to finish all my work for a week in about 2-3 days. I have far more free time and opportunities to study in other classes or for the SAT/ACT.”*
- ★ *“I liked that I could get credit for the course based on my grade in the class rather than just the AP Exam.”*