

FREEDOM AREA HIGH SCHOOL

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RE: FAHS's College in the High School (CHS) Courses for the 2023-2024 School Year

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Freedom Area High School's Guidance Office is getting ready to start the scheduling process for the **2023-2024 School Year**. This letter is to inform you that Freedom Area offers the College in the High School Courses for juniors and seniors for some of our advanced courses. The courses are taught by FAHS secondary instructors at the high school using the post-secondary school's syllabus. In addition to the English and History courses with the Community College of Beaver County (CCBC), we are adding new courses from the University of Pittsburgh. For the 2023-2024 school year we are pleased to announce that we are implemented Biology, Chemistry and Psychology with the University of Pittsburgh's College in the High School program. The contents of this letter is to provide you the details for both CCBC and the University of Pittsburgh. The two schools have different enrollment procedures, costs to the program, deadlines and payment processes. If you and/or your son/daughter would like to get a jumpstart on earning college courses while in high school, they *could potentially* earn up to 29 college credits.

The CCBC CHS courses offered during the 2023-2024 School Year include:

English:

Grade Level	Fall Semester	Spring Semester
Class of 2024	LITRE 260 American Literature	COMM 201 Public Speaking
Class of 2024/2025	WRIT 101 English Composition	LITRE 210 Concept of Literature

Students must successfully complete English Composition and Concepts of Literature with a 70% or higher in order to be enrolled in American literature and Public Speaking. **CCBC CHS Courses are Weighted 1.1**

History:

Grade Level	Fall Semester	Spring Semester
Class of 2024/2025	HIST 101 Western Civilization I	HIST 102 Western Civilization II

Students must successfully complete Western Civilization I with a 70% or higher in order to be enrolled in Western Civilization II. **CCBC CHS Courses are Weighted 1.1**

Students who take advantage of all the English and History courses can earn up to 18 CCBC credits that are easily transferrable elective credits to numerous four year colleges and universities. Please go to <http://www.pacollegetransfer.com/30-CreditTransferFramework/tabid/333/Default.aspx> for more information on transferring credits.

Parents/students are responsible for payment of the College in the High School courses. CCBC charges at a **reduced tuition cost** of \$60 a credit or \$180.00* a course, for courses taught at the high school.

- The cost of 2 courses would total \$360 and 6 college credits.
- The cost of 4 courses would be \$720.00 and 12 college credits.

- If students take advantage of all 6 courses, the courses over 2 years will be \$1,080.00 and 18 College credits earned.
- Standard tuition and fees at CCBC for a Beaver County Resident is \$227.00 per credit or \$681.00 for a 3 credit course or \$4,086.00 for 18 credits (this price includes General and Technology Fees). You save \$3,006.00
*However, please note the cost of \$60 a credit is subject to change. *

Students/Parents can opt out of paying for the CCBC credits and still be in the CCBC course(s).

New CHS Students who have never taken college courses with CCBC will need to fill out the **online application by May 1st, 2023** and complete the paper registration form and return that to Ms. Kaplin by **May 1st, 2023**. CCBC no longer wants to use paper application only the paper registrations forms.

For NEW CHS students, please follow the following steps below to complete the application portion online by May 1st, 2023. The paper registration form needs to be completed and return to Ms. Kaplin by May 1st, 2023.

1. To fill out the online application to the college click on the following link: https://my.ccbc.edu/ICS/Apply_Online.jnz
2. Click on the **Dual Enrollment/College in High School** application link and complete the online application.
3. Your Enrollment Year will be 2023-2024 (On page 2 under CCBC & You)
4. Make sure when you are asked for program of study, you **select “College in High School”** (On page 2 under CCBC & You)
5. Once you complete the application you will receive a Confirmation Email.
6. Please notify Ms. Kaplin that this has been completed by forwarding her the confirmation email and returning the Fall 2023 Registration form to her. (Registration form is enclosed in this letter)

For CURRENT CHS students who have already taken college credits with CCBC in the past will need to complete only the enclosed **registration form** and return to Ms. Kaplin by May 1st, 2023.

Admissions Criteria:

- CCBC and FAHS recommends that any junior or senior capable of college-level coursework enroll in these courses. FAHS will need to sign off on registration form and approve the courses.

Requirement Regarding CCBC Tuition Payment:

Students/parents will receive a tuition bill in the mail from CCBC once the online Application for Enrollment form (New students only) is completed and the registration form (New and current students) is return to Guidance. Please see the enclosed Document for the payment process. You will need your son/daughter’s CCBC ID Number.

Online application and registration form is due to Ms. Kaplin by **May 1st, 2023**. Students will not be registered for the college class until the paperwork is returned to Guidance by **May 1st, 2023**.

Please Note: Registration Form will need to be completed again for the 2024 Spring Semester.

The University of Pittsburgh CHS courses offered during the 2023-2024 School Year include:

Course	Credits	Instructor/Prerequisite
PSY 001 Introduction to Psychology	1 Freedom High School Credit/4 Pitt credits	Mrs. Porter/Grade 11/12, 1 complete Honors English or History Class, or Teacher Recommendation
CHEM 0110 General Chemistry 1	1 Freedom High School Credit/4 Pitt credits	Mrs. Evans/Hon Chemistry or Teacher Recommendation
BIOSC 0100 Preparation for Biology	1 Freedom High School Credit/3 Pitt credits	Ms. Homa/High School Biology and Chemistry

- All Pitt CHS courses are taught at Freedom Area High School.
- All Pitt CHS courses are 2 semesters in length (School year-long courses at Freedom).
- Science Labs on Pitt's Campus: Students/course instructor will be bused to Pitt on designated school days. Chemistry 4 labs, Biology 1 lab.
- Students are responsible for the cost of Pitt CHS courses.
- The cost for Pitt CHS courses is 75 dollars per college credit (for example, Psychology will cost 300 dollars).
- Pitt CHS Chemistry has a \$48 lab fee. Pitt CHS Biology does not have a lab fee.
- Students who qualify for the reduced lunch program at Freedom will receive \$150 off per class (maximum 2 classes per school year).
- Tuition will be due in August (the first week of school).
- Applying to Pitt: During the first week of school, the course instructor at Freedom will assist students with their CHS registration at Pitt.
- Required Textbooks will be provided by Freedom Area High School District at no cost to the student.
- Any students at Freedom who meet the Perquisites may take these courses. Only students who Pay Tuition to Pitt will receive a Pitt transcript.
- Pitt students who want to cancel their course registration (or drop the course entirely) must do so before October 1 to receive a tuition refund.
- Pitt students who withdraw after October 1 will receive a "W" on their Pitt transcript and tuition will not be refunded.
- Pitt students who withdraw after March 1 will receive an "F" on their Pitt transcript and tuition will not be refunded.
- All Pitt CHS courses carry the Freedom GPA course weighting detailed in the Student Handbook (this applies to the non-Pitt students in these courses as well).
- Per the High School Program of Studies, students who drop any High School course after the first 10 days of school will receive an "F" on their Freedom High School transcript.
- You will find course descriptions for CHS courses in the Freedom Program of Studies found at freedomareaschools.org High School Guidance page.

I hope this letter provides you with adequate information for your son/daughter to take advantage of this great opportunity. If you have any questions, please call me at 724-775-7400 Ext 542 or email me at rkaplin@freedomarea.org or Mr. Bennett at cbennett@freedomarea.org Ext 541

Thank you,

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Enclosed: CCBC Registration Form and CCBC Payment Process, University of Pittsburgh's CHS Information