Dear Parents/Guardians of YCSD Students:

You are invited to attend a special meeting to inform you and your family about *College Credit Plus*, a program that will enable students in grades 7–12 to earn college and high school credits at the same time by taking college courses from a public or private college or university! This program was enacted by the state of Ohio in September 2014 and began in the 2015-2016 school year.

The purpose of the *College Credit Plus* program is to promote rigorous academic pursuits and to provide a wide variety of options to college-bound students. *College Credit Plus* replaces the Post-Secondary Enrollment Option (PSEO) Program. Colleges and universities will admit students based on their college-readiness. Students who will enter grades 7 – 12 and meet all the college entrance requirements are eligible to participate this fall.

The Youngstown City School District will offer students two ways to participate in the *College Credit Plus* program:

- The first is for the student to attend classes on public or private college or university campuses. The college or universities where the course is taken will grant the college credit for the course. Classes may also be taken online.
- The second is for the student to enroll in a dual enrollment class offered on the high school campus.

If a student decides to take a college course for both college and high school graduation credit at a public college or university, there is no charge to the student for the costs of tuition, textbooks, materials, or fees for the first time a course is taken. **Meaning, it is free!**

If you and your child have any interest in participating in the *College Credit Plus* program, I urge you to attend the informational meeting. Counselors from each school building in the district will also be present to assist you. Details about the informational meeting are outlined below.

**Date:** Thursday, February 9, 2017  
**Time:** 4:00 pm – Doors Open  
4:30 – Program Presentation  
**Place:** Choffin Career & Technical Center  
200 E. Wood Street, Youngstown, OH 44503

If you are unable to attend the information meeting, you should contact your child’s school counselor for more detailed information. **A Letter of Intent to Participate must be completed and submitted to your child’s counselor by Friday, March 31, 2017 along with a remediation free ACT score.** Additional information about the *College Credit Plus* program can be found at [www.ohiohighered.org/ccp](http://www.ohiohighered.org/ccp). Also, this letter, the Intent to Participate, and an informational brochure are available at [www.yesd.org](http://www.yesd.org).

Sincerely,

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Chief Executive Officer

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Tim Filipovich  
Director of Teaching and Learning

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