

# Frequently Asked Questions & Curriculum Suppliers

**Q: What constitutes a credit?**

A: A credit is equivalent to approximately 120 hours of work, (40 minutes per day for about 180 days of school (about one year).

**Q: How many credits are normal for a year?**

A: The norm is 7-10 credits per year. For the basics (English, Math, Science and Social Studies) most students earn one credit in each of these per year. However, students may be able to earn more. The norm for Art, Music Physical Education, and other electives varies from a quarter credit (.25) and up depending on the amount of time spent.

**Q: What if the whole textbook/course was not finished?**

A: Partial credit (.25, .5, .75) may be awarded for the amount done. The balance may be awarded when (and if) it is finished. However, please see the first part of the question section to determine if, according to the amount of time you put in, the entire credit can be awarded. Just because you did not finish the entire book does not mean you did not do a full year's worth of work (example to parents – Did you EVER finish a textbook in high school? But you did receive a whole credit, didn't you?)

**Q: I didn't use a textbook. How do I determine the credit to give?**

A: You must use your judgement here. If the student worked consistently on something, award a reasonable credit amount. For example, I spend several hours each week searching our family tree on the Internet, using library resources, etc. When I am finished, I figure I have spent over 60 hours. I then award .5 credit in Genealogy (History).

**Q: We do not award grades. Can I use a pass/fail system on the transcript?**

A: Yes. Grades are helpful, but not mandatory. Most parents give grades for High School Years only, which is recorded on transcript.

**Q: What about a transcript, how to obtain one?**

A: To obtain a transcript each year you must complete a High School Credit Report Form listing the courses completed that year, the final grade and the credits earned. (This form can be downloaded on CCS Website). High school transcripts will be based on the credit information received on the High School Credit Report Form. This form should be submitted annually upon completion of a grade level, please mail the credit report with the annual renewal and portfolio review form. The transcripts are completed on a first come first serve basis. A transcript will then be available whenever you need one for entering or transferring schools, applying for scholarships, etc. A completed credit report must be received at least four weeks before a request for a transcript can be fulfilled.

**Q: How do I take the College Admissions Tests?**

You can also register online at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org). Please use the school code of 210380 on your registration.

**Q: Will I receive a High School Diploma?**

A: Yes. Our graduates may apply for a High School Diploma from CCS upon completion of all required credits and requested within 12 months of active enrollment. (Diplomas issued by CCS are not accredited by the State of Maryland Board of Education). Former CCS students are attending colleges and universities both in and out of state. Many High School Students with CCS are enrolled at a Community College during their high school Years (Dual Enrollment), this is one way to complete your high school math and science requirements, many of the Community Colleges offer a generous tuition discount for a Dual Enrollment Student.

**Q: Is there a graduation ceremony?**

A: An average of 125 students graduates with CCS each year throughout MD, due to the travel distance we do not have a central graduation ceremony. If you are a member of C.H.E.N., then you may participate in their graduation ceremony. Other options may include a dinner/party with family and friends or participation in a Church graduation ceremony.

**Online Resources**

<b>Christianbook.com</b>	<b>Time4learning.com</b>	<b>Free - Allinonehomeschool.com</b>
<b>Abeka.com</b>	<b>Aceministries.com</b>	<b>Free - Kahnacademy.org</b>
<b>BJUpresshomeschool.com</b>	<b>AOP.com</b>	<b>Acellus online academy.</b>