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Rhodes State College Hosts Summit for Regional High School Administrators

LIMA, OH – Rhodes State College is hosting a summit for high school superintendents, guidance counselors, treasurers and principals to discuss the state’s new dual enrollment program, College Credit Plus.

The event will be **Thursday, November 6**, from 10 am-2 pm. Lauren McGarity, J.D., Director of Special Projects from the Ohio Board of Regents, will discuss elements and principles of the program. More than 100 representatives from 42 local high schools will be in attendance.

College Credit Plus was developed to create a seamless and equitable pathway for qualified high school students to earn college credit at no cost to them while in high school. Effective the 2015-2016 school year, College Credit Plus replaces the Post Secondary Enrollment Options (PSEOP) program. The credits appear on both their high school and college transcripts. Rhodes State College currently serves 900+ dual enrollment students, representing 10 counties.

Dr. Debra McCurdy, president of Rhodes State College, said, “As a leader in dual enrollment, we are proud to be the first college in our area to bring this information and level of professional development to high school superintendents and other administrators regarding College Credit Plus. It’s a program with new regulations, and we look forward to working through the process together with our high school partners. We continue to strive to be the #1 choice for students, their parents and high schools.”

Rhodes State will provide five distinct learning pathways for high schools. They are health, information technology, engineering technology, business and AA/AS (Transfer

degree). Each public high school in the state must develop two pathway opportunities—one 15 and one 30 credit—in coordination with at least one institution of higher education.

“With these pathways, students will have the opportunity to earn at least 15 college credits upon high school graduation. These pathways taken at Rhodes State will transfer into a degree or professional certificate program,” McCurdy added.

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