FAQ- Community Connections

What are the main differences between the types of Community Connections?

See the LG Types of Opportunities SOPHIE page for more information

How do I sign-up for Community Connections?

Community Connections are open to HCOS Enrolled students.

All types of Community Connections are via a Learning Groups application link, separate from enrollment in the school. In any given year, returning students are first given an opportunity to apply. If space allows, students on the CC Interest- Waiting Pool list will be contacted and offered spots as available. If you are not currently participating in a Community Connection, **are an HCOS Enrolled student,** and are interested in attending or enquiring about possibilities for joining, please indicate your interest via the CC Waiting Pool.

If I sign-up, does that mean my child has a seat?

All LG sign-ups are applications, which are subject to review and approval from the event coordinator. There are a variety of factors involved prior to acceptance for the final class lists.

Can families apply for CC as application links are opened and make the full payment on their PO or will this have to wait until they have paid their tuition for the following year and the amount of PO funds available is determined?

Yes, as an HCOS program, families can indicate PO# payment for CC applications prior to all the PO funds being available.

How do HCOS PO# funds work with CC and CC Plus?

When students apply to attend a CC or CC+ for the upcoming year, a minimum non-refundable application fee amount is collected by credit card. The HCOS PO# can then be used for the balance of the fees.

CC:

- Parents can look at their resource funding and make more than the minimum payment if desired
- HCOS PO# funds (balance) will be processed in the Fall (after the deadline)

CC+:

- When the office adds students into their CC+ Courses in Encom, the fees will automatically be deducted at that time.

HCOS IE students: Remainder of fees will be paid for using IE funds instead of your Encom account, unless your support teacher has communicated otherwise.

Please note: If there are not enough funds in the family Encom account) to cover the balance due, the amount outstanding will be charged to the credit card on file (used in the CC/CC+ online application).

> In order to avoid balances due, we recommend choosing the tuition or bursary option that provides $600 in PO# funds. Please also note our Terms and Conditions as well as Cancellation Fee Schedule.

How do Grad Credits work with CC+ Courses?

For CC+ courses, Gr. 10-12 Students receive a credit towards each 4 credit course they take at CC, or toward each 2 credit course. The CC+ course fees appear in Encom as each student is added to the class and are automatically adjusted to take into consideration the applicable grad course resource credits so that only the balance shown is what is due to be paid. Visual example of how it will appear in Encom. The balance due will be assessed to available family Encom funds or processed to the credit card used in the application.

I've applied for enrollment with HCOS, and I want my child to attend CC. Now what?

We appreciate your patience as your enrollment is being processed by HCOS. CC Campus Leads will reach out to families as space allows, following completion of the HCOS enrollment process.

What production will Ignite Theatre or Sparks put on next?

Please check out ignitetheatre.ca for the grand reveal!

If my child wants to be involved in Ignite Theatre, what type of commitment is involved?

Ignite Theatre is a Community Connections Plus with family project-based learning on a grand scale with parent responsibilities outlined here. One parent from each family is expected to put in volunteer hours throughout the year AND during our Theatre Week which is the weekend leading into Victoria Day and that full week. Parental involvement is CRUCIAL to the success and excellence of our production. Sparks CC is our recreational performing arts track, where students in grades 2 to 7 can explore the basics of musical theatre without substantial parent volunteer responsibility.

Are cancellation options different for CCs and Longer-term Offerings?

Yes, while most Learning camps are non-refundable, CCs and some longer-term Learning Camps may have a graduated cancellation fee schedule noted in an application.

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