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Central Region

CENTRAL OHIO TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Bilateral Articulation Agreement

April 27, 2026

Between

Central Ohio Technical College	and	Eastland-Fairfield Career Center
Digital Media Design Technology		Multimedia at Pickerington North H.S

This agreement, entered into for 2026-2028, is based on a review of the Multimedia program of study at Eastland-Fairfield Career Center and the Digital Media Design Technology curriculum and syllabi at Central Ohio Technical College.

Purpose of Agreement

This agreement is designed

- To encourage students to pursue a postsecondary education,
- To reduce repetition of mastered competencies between secondary and postsecondary programs of study,
- To provide a smooth transition from secondary to postsecondary, and
- To reduce the cost of higher education for students and the state of Ohio.

Articulation agreements recognize a seamless curriculum pathway that starts in high school to an associate degree that leads to careers in related technical fields. This agreement enables Eastland-Fairfield Career Center students who successfully complete the academic and technical competencies required for the Multimedia program to receive college credit for certain courses in the Digital Media Design Technology associate degree programs at Central Ohio Technical College.

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Eligibility Criteria

Students seeking college credit through this bilateral articulation agreement must meet the following criteria/requirements:

- The student must have completed the secondary Career-Tech competencies (academic and technical) relevant to the Central Ohio Technical College courses, with a grade of A, B, or C.
- An application and subsequent matriculation to Digital Media Design Technology Programs at Central Ohio Technical College must occur within 3 years of the high school graduation date.
- The student is responsible to inform college admissions personnel of his/her eligibility for articulated college credit and verify that appropriate documentation has been provided to the college by the secondary school.

Secondary School Responsibilities

- Secondary instructors are required to have the appropriate teaching credential as defined by the Ohio Department of Education.
- For the purpose of compliance with state, program or regional accreditation standards, Central Ohio Technical College reserves the right to review, validate and copy the credentials (e.g., college transcripts and resumes) of the instructors of articulated courses for external auditing purposes.
- The secondary instructor(s) will complete an *Instructor Recommendation Form* for each student upon completion which will be maintained in the student's secondary permanent file. An *Instructor Recommendation Form* must be submitted to the Records and Registration Office prior to receiving credit.
- The college and secondary school will develop methods of publicizing the agreement to encourage students to take advantage of seamless transitions and advanced placement opportunities.

Awarding of Credit

- There will be no charge for college credit awarded through this agreement.
- Student eligibility for technical or related credit is primarily determined by high school teachers evaluation based upon predetermined criteria set by the college. In certain cases, record of relevant student external certification, college proficiency testing, review of portfolios, or other forms of assessment may also be required.
- Placement in Central Ohio Technical College's courses is determined by the college's official placement policy. Credit is available only for the technical courses specified on the attached list of articulated courses.
- Articulated courses are recorded on the student's permanent records after a student enrolls in and completes a non-articulated college credit hour at Central Ohio Technical College.

The administrators and faculty of the program at both levels pledge their commitment and support to continuing this relationship and to promoting these articulation opportunities to the students.

Articulation Agreement Signatures

Eastland-Fairfield Career Center

Signed by:
Shelley Groves
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Shelley Groves
Superintendent
4/30/2026
Date

Signed by:
Jennifer Blackstone
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Jennifer Blackstone
Assistant Superintendent
4/30/2026
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Central Ohio Technical College

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Dr. Greg Ferenchak
Provost
4/30/2026
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Larisa Harper, PhD
Dean of Arts and Sciences
4/30/2026
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Signed by:
Leslie Najjar
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Leslie Najjar
Program Lead
4/29/2026
Date

Distribution: Signees Above and others as determined by the signing partners.

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Courses Available for Bilateral Articulation

This agreement is in effect for students graduating from the Multimedia Program at Eastland-Fairfield career Center starting the academic year 2026-2028, and enrolling in one of Central Ohio Technical College's Associate Degree Programs listed below. College matriculation must occur within 3 years of the high school graduation date.

Degree Program Options			
Digital Media Design			
Course Number	**Course Name**	**Hours**	**Notes**
DMD-102	Digital Software Fundamentals	1.0	
DMD-120	*Web Design & Development I (this course must be accessed through the CTAG Process)*	3.0	
CTAG Opportunity: Students in this pathway may have the opportunity to receive college credit through the CTAG system.			

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Central Ohio Technical College

Instructor Recommendation Form
For
Agreement Between

Central Ohio Technical College ***Eastland-Fairfield Career Center***
Multimedia at Pickerington North H.S.

Digital Media Design Technology **AND**

STUDENT INFORMATION

Name _____ **Phone** _____
Address _____ **E-Mail** _____
City & State _____ **DOB** __ _____
Zip _____

COTC Student ID #_____ **Graduation Year** _____
(If Applicable)

Notice to Secondary or Adult Education Instructor

Instructor sign and date any course(s) for which the above named student **has performed at a level of *an A, B, or C*** and achieved state program competencies as determined by the Graphic Design Instructor for any single Central Ohio Technical College Course. For those courses that the student did not achieve competence, enter **"Not Achieved"** in the signature area.

College Course Number and Course Name	Credits	CTE Instructor Signature	Grade	Date
DMD-102	1.0			
DMD-120	*3.0*	*(must be accessed through the CTAG Process)*		

SUBMIT THIS APPLICATION TO:
Gateway Records
Central Ohio Technical College
1179 University Drive, Newark, OH 43055
740-366-9494

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Certificate Of Completion

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