INDIANA COLLEGE CORE

STUDENT ADVOCATES CONFERENCE

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INDIANA TRANSFER SYSTEM

INDIANA TRANSFER COMPONENTS

DUAL CREDIT, DUAL ENROLLMENT
College courses taken in high school

DUAL CREDIT

CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING
AP, CLEP, IB, Cambridge, Portfolios & Military Credit

CPL

CORE TRANSFER LIBRARY – COURSE TO COURSE
88 courses that transfer to all public and some

CTL
88 COURSES

INDIANA COLLEGE CORE – BLOCK TRANSFER
30 credits of general education designed to transfer as a block

ICC
BLOCK TRANSFER

TRANSFER SINGLE ARTICULATION PATHWAYS
Associate + Bachelor's Degree

TSAPs
ASSOCIATE + BACHELOR'S DEGREE

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WHY OFFER THE INDIANA COLLEGE CORE?

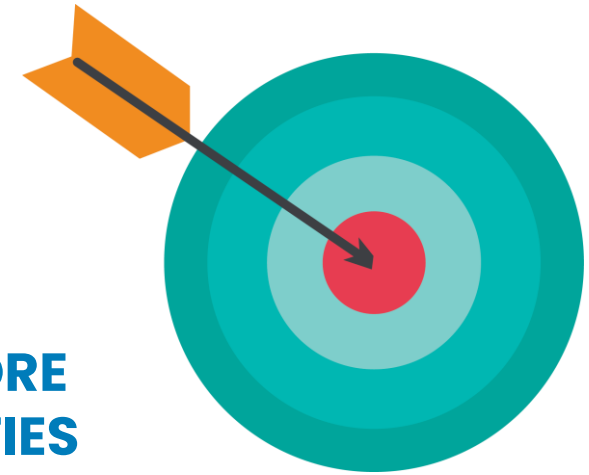
WHY EARN INDIANA COLLEGE CORE (ICC)?

GET AHEAD

- Focus on major specific coursework
- More flexibility in your schedule
- Increase your academic confidence
- Reduce your stress level in college

EXPLORE MORE OPPORTUNITIES

- Study abroad in a different country
- Add a minor in another area of interests
- Gain work experience through an internship
- Immersive learning
- Have more time to volunteer
- Join campus organizations
- Start graduate school sooner



SAVE TIME & MONEY

- Earn a full year of your general education credits for less than $750 (potentially saving you and your family thousands of dollars)
- Graduate on time or even early from college.

STUDENTS WHO EARN THE INDIANA COLLEGE CORE ARE LIKELY TO SUCCEED

OVER

92%

OF STUDENTS WHO EARN THE **INDIANA COLLEGE CORE** WENT ON TO ATTEND COLLEGE

70%

OF INDIANA COLLEGE CORE EARNERS

MET BENCHMARKS FOR EARLY SUCCESS IN COLLEGE. STUDENTS DEMONSTRATING EARLY COLLEGE SUCCESS:

1) Do not require remediation in Math or English before beginning college level work;
2) Complete all courses they attempt in their first year of college; and
3) Persist to their second year of college.

WHO IS AWARDING THE CERTIFICATE IN HIGH SCHOOL?

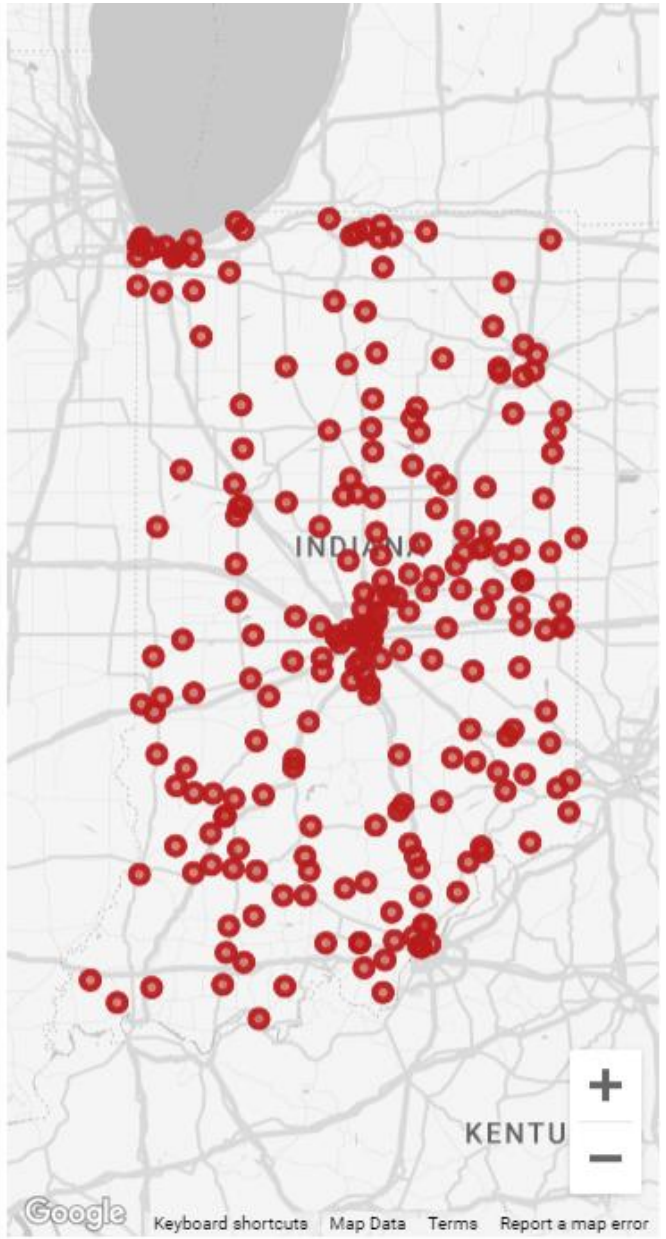
Referred to as the primary postsecondary partner

- Ivy Tech Community College
- Vincennes University
- Indiana University Bloomington
- Indiana University East
- Indiana University Indianapolis
- Ball State University
- Indiana State University
- Indiana University Kokomo
- Indiana University South Bend
- Indiana University Southeast
- University of Southern Indiana
- Purdue University Fort Wayne
- Purdue University Northwest
- Indiana University Northwest

PARTNER HIGH SCHOOLS

The number of schools that have partnered with a primary postsecondary provider to offer the Indiana College Core:

283 and counting



INDEPENDENT INSTITUTIONS ACCEPTING THE ICC

- Marian University
- University of Indianapolis
- Trine University
- Indiana Tech
- Manchester University
- Indiana Wesleyan University
- Franklin College

HOW DOES A HIGH SCHOOL PARTNER WITH A PROVIDER?

Steps to offer the Indiana College Core:

- **Discussions with postsecondary providers**
  - Coordinate which courses are currently offered at your high school by all providers, including AP
  - Determine gaps in course availability
  - Identify credentialed teachers and/or dual enrollment opportunities
- **Review criteria to become a delivery site**
- **Sign an MOU with one primary postsecondary partner**
  - High schools can offer dual credit courses from multiple providers
  - Primary provider coordinates efforts and reports data to the Commission
- **Complete ICC Form: https://transferin.net/iccform/**
  - This will allow the high school to be added to the My College Core tool

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EXPANSION OF THE ICC

SEA 8-2024

Beginning with the 2024-2025 school year each public school, charter school, state-accredited non-public school, and Choice-eligible school must complete one of the following:

- Offer the ICC in the curriculum.
- Submit an implementation plan to offer the ICC by the 2025-2026 school year.
- Submit a detailed implementation plan to offer the ICC by the 2026-2027 school year.
- Submit a feasibility report if your high school does not plan to offer the ICC by the 2026-2027 school year.

A survey was sent to high schools to be completed by October 1.

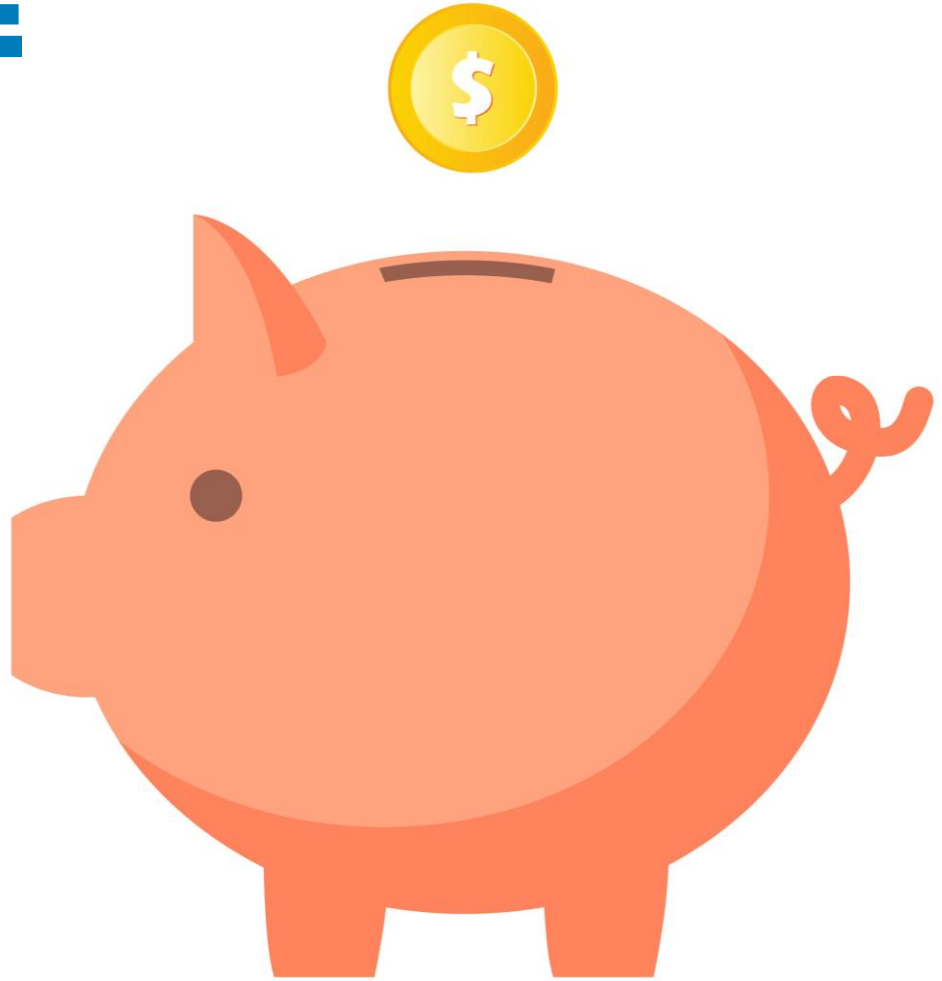
Completing this survey will satisfy the implementation plan and feasibility report requirements in SEA 8-2024.

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE GRANTS

Academic performance grants will incentivize school corporations that help steer students towards college degrees.

- Schools will receive:
  - $40 per dual credit earned by each student (up to $1200)
  - $1,500 per student that completes the Indiana College Core
  - $2,500 for every student that earns an associate's degree while still in high school.

Schools will only qualify for one performance award – at the highest threshold – for each student. For example, that means a school will only get the $2,500 grant for a student who earns both dual credit and an associate's degree.



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INDIANA COLLEGE CORE 101

INDIANA COLLEGE CORE

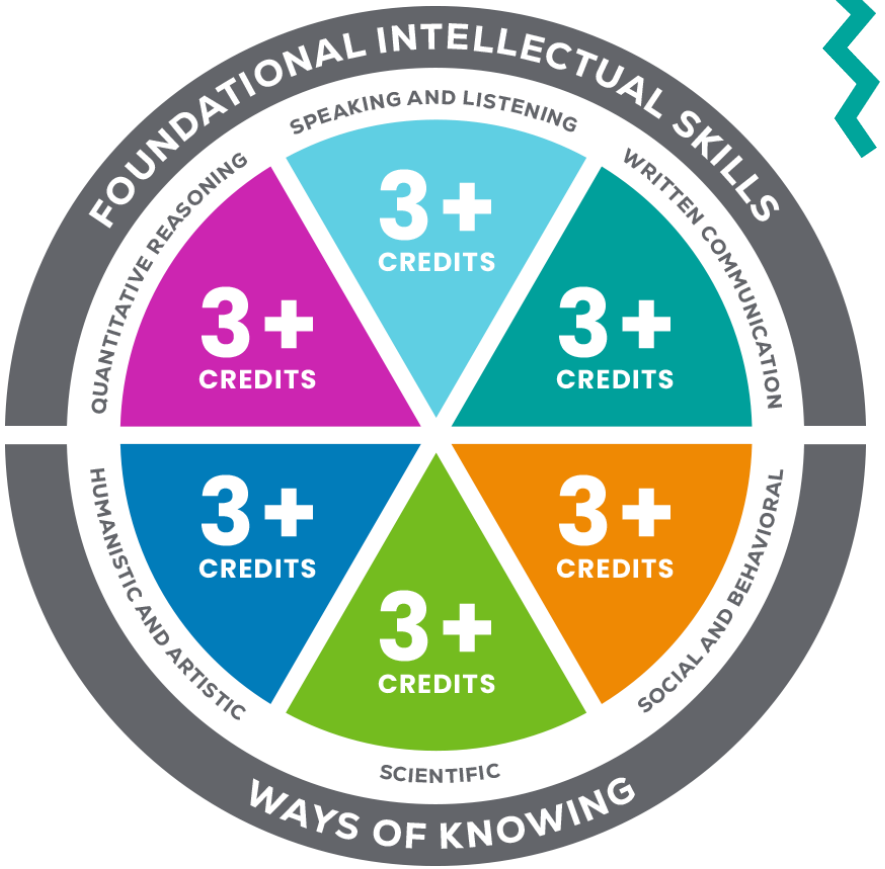
- 2012 legislative mandate
- A block of 30 credit hours of college-level general education coursework that transfers seamlessly to all Indiana public institutions and some private institutions
- Competency-Based

3 Foundational Intellectual Skills

- Written Communication, Speaking & Listening, Quantitative Reasoning

3 Ways of Knowing

- Scientific, Social & Behavioral, Humanistic & Artistic



INDIANA COLLEGE CORE GROUND RULES

- **Minimum of 3 credit hours must be earned in each competency area**
  - Awarding institution determines the distribution of the remaining 12 hours
- **15 credit hour minimum must be earned from the institution/primary postsecondary provider**
- **A minimum GPA of 2.0 for courses within the Indiana College Core**
- **AP/CLEP/IB may count toward fulfillment based on the equivalencies determined by the awarding institution.**

  (More information https://transferin.net/ways-to-earn-credit/)
  - Students need to be aware that test credit will be reevaluated by the receiving institution's policies upon enrollment/transfer
- **Successful completion of the Indiana College Core does not guarantee admission to an institution and/or degree program.**

USING AP

- Advanced Placement (AP) courses can be used to complete the ICC.
- A student must earn a minimum of 3 on an AP exam to earn credit that applies to the ICC. Each provider has a list of equivalencies that will count toward their courses here: **AP Equivalency Database**
- Each institution has the right to reevaluate course credit given by the primary postsecondary provider according to their institutional policies and equivalencies
- When selecting ICC courses, be aware that some AP scores might result in credit for the same postsecondary course taken as dual credit. *Example: A score of 3, 4, or 5 may equate to a course that is also being offered as dual credit at the high school*.

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MY COLLEGE CORE

MY COLLEGE CORE PLANNING TOOL

- **Launched August 1, 2023**
- Created to be a one-stop shop for all things Indiana College Core
- Planning tool shows college-level coursework, including dual credit, dual enrollment, AP, and CLEP
- Student can email their plan to parents and counselors
- Meant to be for planning purposes, not a scheduling tool or transcript
- Built-in toolkit of resources for high schools

Downloadable posters, handouts, and presentations

TOOLKIT FOR HIGH SCHOOLS

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ABOUT RESOURCES START MY PLAN

IN THIS TOOLKIT

- Required Content
- PowerPoint Presentations
- Handouts & Other Print Materials
- Logo Files
- Font & Colors
- Display Banners
- Email Signature
- How to Offer the ICC at your High School

REQUIRED CONTENT

High schools offering the Indiana College Core must copy and paste the information in this section (including links) to their website by September 1, 2023.

Indiana College Core

Do you want to get a head start on college? The **Indiana College Core** allows high school students to earn 30 general education credits that can be transferred as a block to any public college or university in Indiana, as well as some private institutions. In other words, students who earn the College Core in high school may alread be finished with their first year of college at a fraction of the cost. To learn more about the Indiana College Cor and put together your plan, use My College Core (mycollegecore.org) and work closely with your school counselor.

What is FAFSA?

The Free Application For Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the most important document for determining if you're eligible for financial aid — money to help you pay for education and training beyond high school. The easiest wa to file the FAFSA is online at FAFSA.gov.

After you file your FAFSA, your college will be able to tell you which scholarships and grants you could receive as well as how much money you can borrow in federal loans. To find out more about the FAFSA, including what kinds of state financial aid is available, check out Learn More Indiana's FAFSA guide for Hoosiers.

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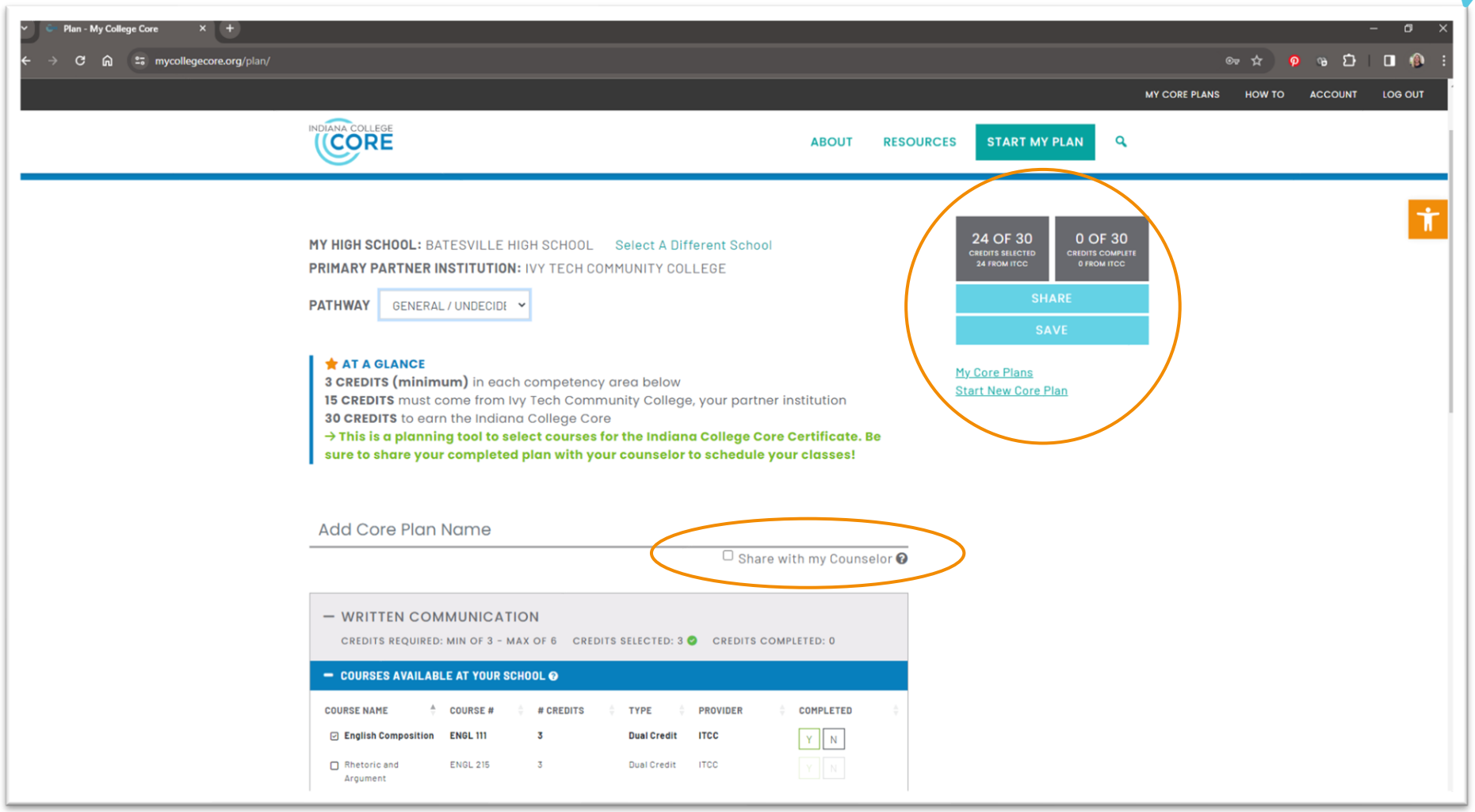

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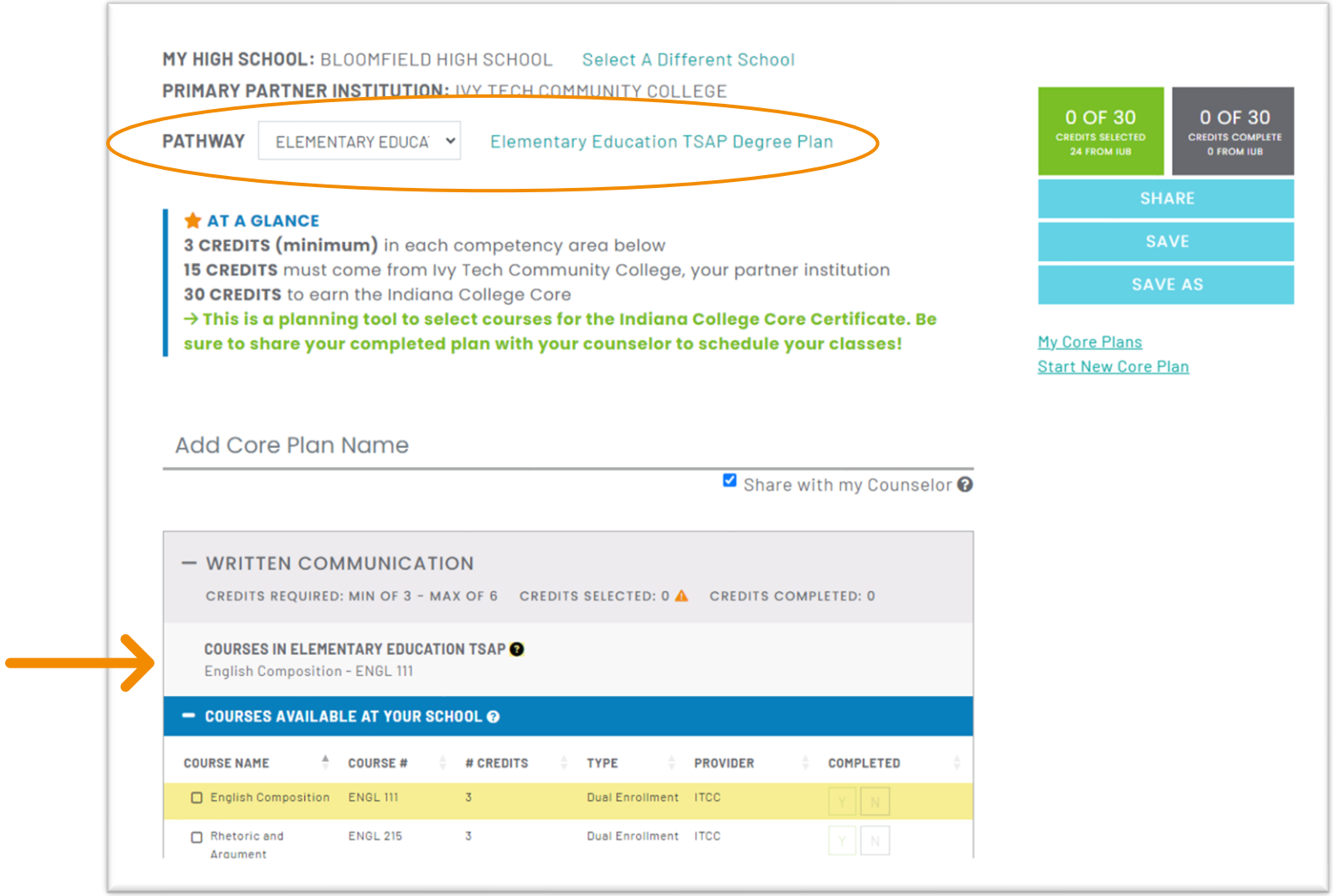
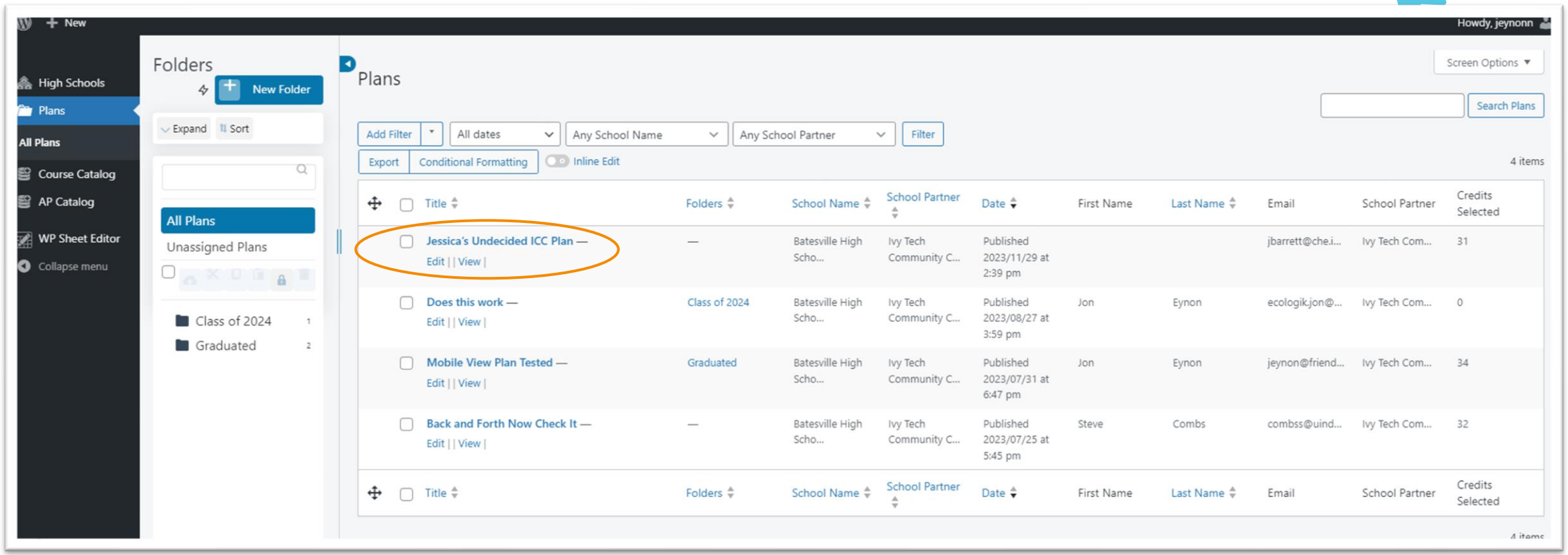


COUNSELOR FEATURES

- Access for counselors to view & edit student plans
- Create folders to organize student plans
- Use student plans to track completion of courses
- Resource Guide created by postsecondary partners

https://mycollegecore.org/counselor-sign-up/

COUNSELOR ACCESS



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Q&A

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