Academic Integrity

West Essex Regional advocates for high standards of intellectual honesty and conduct as the foundation of our Academic Integrity Policy. In order to create an ethical learning environment, students must recognize that they are responsible for their choices. Their actions are a direct reflection of themselves, as well as the school community.

Cheating is defined as giving or receiving any unauthorized aide on tests, exams, reports, papers, homework, or any school/course related assignments. Cheating includes but is not limited to the unauthorized use of information orally, in writing, by signs, by electronic devices, etc.

Plagiarism is to use, intentionally or unintentionally, without crediting the source, to commit literary theft, and to present as new and original an idea derived from an existing source.

Examples of Unacceptable Behavior / Academic Conduct (include but are not limited to):

- Falsification of signature
- Unauthorized collaboration
- Submitting any work that is not your own (such as purchased or obtained works)
- Using language, words, or ideas without citing properly
- Altering answers on a scored exam
- Obtaining any unauthorized information on an exam prior to the administration
- Destroying or stealing the work of others
- Copying any class assignment and submitting it as your own
- Using a word translator in World Language classes

When a Student Participates in any form of Academic Dishonesty:

1. A zero will be assigned as a grade on the assignment.
2. Parents will be notified.
3. The instructional supervisor, the assistant principal(s), and the student’s guidance counselor will be notified, and the incident will be recorded in the student’s disciplinary record.
4. The student may be excluded from the National Honor Society (when appropriate).
5. Additional disciplinary actions may be taken.

I understand the West Essex Regional School District Academic Integrity Policy and agree to adhere to it.

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