

Scholastic Dishonesty

All students at Scholars' Academy are expected to adhere to the highest standards of academic and personal integrity. Violation of these standards includes cheating, falsifying data, and plagiarism.

Cheating is deliberate dishonesty and includes, but is not limited to, the following forms:

- *Copying from another student, or making information available to other students knowing that this is to be submitted as the borrower's own work
- *Use of unauthorized material

Falsifying data means misrepresenting or changing data

Plagiarism means presenting work done (in whole or in part) by someone else as if it were one's own. Plagiarism should be distinguished from cooperation and collaboration. Often, students may be permitted or expected to work on assignments collectively, and to present the results either collectively or separately. This is not a problem, so long as it is clearly understood whose work is being presented, for example, by way of formal acknowledgement or by footnoting. (www.brocku.ca/faculty/handbook/section_III/part_12.html)

In the event it is established that a student has engaged in academic dishonesty, a committee of staff members and administrators has adopted the following steps as a policy:

*The first offense will be reported to the Principal and/or Dean, will result in a failure on the test or research project, and a notification on the student's Dean's record. A parent conference will be held.

*The second offense will result in a parent conference with the Principal and/or Dean, expulsion from participation for five months from clubs and teams, an automatic failure for the test or project, and notification in the student's dean's record.

*Should a third offense occur for the same student, it will result in an automatic two-day suspension, a one-year probation from all teams, clubs, activities, and trips, failure on the test or project, as well as further disciplinary action.