

EVERETT PUBLIC SCHOOLS ONLINEHS ACADEMIC HONESTY & PLAGIARISM POLICY

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Students are responsible for maintaining the academic integrity of OnlineHS by following this Academic Honesty Policy.

Students are responsible for doing their own work and avoiding all forms of academic dishonesty.

Taking an online course and working on the Internet makes it easy to access a variety of information and ideas. The ability to have the world at one's fingertips--beyond the walls of a classroom, is what makes being on online learning rich and rewarding.

We encourage a student's exploration of many varied thoughts and ideas. And, it is what the student does with the work of others and the student's synthesis and evaluations of those ideas that are most important to us.

Unfortunately, the electronic world makes it easy to use the work of others. Which is why it's important that the student responsibly respects, manages and provides attribution in the form of a citation for words, thoughts, ideas, and works not their own.

The same technology that makes it easy to steal the work of others and pass it off as your own, also makes it easy to find original work submitted by other people.

We want to work and thrive together in an academic honest environment. Cheating & Plagiarism are not tolerated.

ACCEPTANCE

A student is bound to this policy by their decision to enroll in the OnlineHS program. As a "choice program" Academic Honesty is a necessary condition for enrollment.

DEFINITIONS

Cheating includes, but is not limited to:

- Submitting material that is not one's own.
- Fabricating information or purchasing work and submitting it as their own.
- Violating procedures prescribed to protect the integrity of a test, or other evaluation exercise.
- Collaborating with others on assignments without including their names and referencing their contribution to the work the faculty member's consent.
- Cooperating with or helping another student to cheat.
- Having another person take an assessment or examination in the student's place.
- Altering exam answers and requesting that the exam be re-graded.
- Communicating with any other person during an assessment or examination, other than the instructor or exam proctor.

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Plagiarism is defined as: The practice of taking someone else's work or ideas and passing them off as one's own.

Plagiarism includes, but is not limited to:

- Directly quoting others without using quotation marks or a convention to identify them.
- Using sources of information (published or unpublished) without identifying them.
- Paraphrasing materials or ideas of others without identifying the sources

The penalty for an academic honesty violation on a significant course requirement (example: term paper/project or final assessment) will be an "F" grade for the course.

The penalty for academic honesty violations in other coursework will zero for that specific assignment, without the opportunity to redo. If there is a second incident, the student will receive an "F" in the course and be prohibited from taking OnlineHS courses in the future.

For an academic honesty violation which includes a flagrant behavior, such as having somebody else take an exam, the OnlineHS instructor will also refer the matter to the student's building Principal for disciplinary action.

The Appeal Process

Any appeal is made directly to the OnlineHS Administrator and must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.