

BLAIRSVILLE- SALTSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

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238. ACADEMIC INTEGRITY	
1. Authority	The Board is committed to strict standards of academic integrity and to helping students develop intellectually, creatively, and ethically. Honesty in all assignments is essential to the maintenance of such standards. Academic cheating and plagiarism are unacceptable, and district students caught cheating or plagiarizing shall be disciplined.
2. Definition	<p>Academic cheating and plagiarism are forms of presenting the ideas or statements of another writer without crediting the original source. Such presentation is theft, even when it is unintentional.</p> <p>Academic cheating and plagiarism includes, but is not limited to, the following intentional acts:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Stealing, borrowing, buying, copying someone else's work or allowing another to copy the original work of another (i.e., homework, reports, take-home exams, tests and research papers). 2. Failure to cite a direct quotation. 3. Failure to cite a paraphrased passage. 4. Failure to provide a complete bibliography. 5. Securing answers in a dishonest manner. 6. Transmitting test questions or answers from one individual to another, or from one class to another. 7. Failure to use footnotes where appropriate.

<p>3. Guidelines</p>	<p>In order to avoid violations of this policy, the following actions shall be instituted:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Review with students the definition of academic cheating, plagiarism and the expected ethical behavior.2. Publish a summary of this policy in the student handbooks. <p>When a violation has occurred, refer to the Code of Conduct.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 510</p>
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