

BOARD POLICY: ACADEMIC DISHONESTY

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Section A - Introduction

The Board of Education of District #225 believes that academic dishonesty by students degrades character and reputation and impedes individual learning.

Section B - Staff Responsibility

The Board of Education believes that the staff has a professional obligation to encourage honesty, to instruct students in the distinction between honest and dishonest work, to create conditions which hinder attempts to cheat, to utilize instructional strategies which encourage honesty, and to penalize dishonest behavior.

Section C - Penalties

Students found guilty of cheating may receive a failing grade for the quiz, test project, laboratory report, or paper; or may be given a failing grade for the course for the grading period or for the entire semester. Students found guilty of cheating may be denied or lose academic honors or privileges attendant thereto. Cases involving flagrant violations of this policy may be referred to the Major Disciplinary Review Committee for disposition and handled in accordance with the Procedures for Policy 8410: Student Misconduct and Disciplinary Action.

Section D - Implementation

The Board of Education directs the superintendent and staff to develop and implement procedures intended to achieve the aims of this policy.

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