

PLAGIARISM POLICY K-12

Academic dishonesty in any form is a serious offense in any institution of learning. Students who choose to be academically dishonest cheat not only themselves and their teachers, but also all other students who show integrity in their efforts.

Definition of Plagiarism

Plagiarism is the use of and representation of other people's words and/or ideas, in whole or in part, as one's own work. This definition applies to words or ideas taken without proper acknowledgement from any published or unpublished source, including books, periodicals, Internet sites, and essays or other works of fellow students.

Plagiarism may take many forms, including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Copying word for word from any outside source without proper acknowledgement. This applies to the use of an entire paper, to the use of entire sections and paragraphs, and to the use of a few words, phrases, and/or structure. This also includes non-textual material, including musical and artistic copyrighted compositions as well as theatrical and dance choreography.
2. Intentionally paraphrasing ideas from any outside source without proper acknowledgement.
3. Submitting in whole, or in part, the work of another student.
4. Submitting in whole, or in part, an assignment written for another course by someone else.
5. Intentionally allowing one's essay, assignment, or test answers to be copied by another student.

Consequences for Plagiarism

Consequences for plagiarism are detailed in the Standards for Student Behavior Policies of Chariho High School/Chariho Career and Technical Center, Chariho Middle School, Chariho Alternative Learning Academy, and the Elementary Schools.

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