



Honor Code

As a Meigs student, it is my responsibility to be academically honest at all times. I understand that *cheating, dishonesty, and the misappropriation of the work of others and falsely claiming it as my own, constitute behavior that is antithetical to the sense of who we are as a community*ⁱ

I understand that academic dishonesty is *not only disrespectful to our academic community as a whole, but also unfair to individuals in our community who work diligently and honestly to complete assignments in a proper manner*ⁱⁱ.

At Meigs, we declare that *cheating and dishonesty in any form is inconsistent with our values and aspirations, and in particular, the following forms of behavior will not be tolerated at our school*:

1. ***Copying the work*** (including homework, written assignments, or projects of any kind) of another student and representing it as one's own;
2. ***Copying the answers of another student during an exam, a test, or a quiz***;
3. ***Completing any assignment in a fashion forbidden by the teacher who makes the assignment***;
4. ***Plagiarism*** (which we define as "to represent the words or unique ideas of another as one's own, or to quote the words of another individual or source in a written assignment without giving appropriate attribution to the true source");
5. ***Obtaining from another student who has previously taken an exam, test, or quiz, information relating to either the questions on the exam, test, or quiz, or any responses to such questions***;
6. ***Lying to a teacher about an assignment, or about one's reason for failing to complete or turn in an assignment***;
7. ***Lying to a teacher about anything else having to do with one's schoolwork, attendance, or tardiness to class***.

We further declare that a student who aids or abets another student in his or her commission of any of the above-described forms of dishonesty is equally guilty of the kind of behavior that we as a community will not tolerate.

We acknowledge that we as students have unique opportunities to discourage, disrupt, and diminish acts of cheating and other forms of dishonesty as we observe or learn of them, and we understand that the faculty and administration of Meigs are committed to protect and ensure the confidentiality of any conversations we may have with them about our observations or awareness of acts of dishonestyⁱⁱⁱ.

Meigs ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT/Cheating/Plagiarism POLICY

When students are expected to do their own work (on assignments, projects, and assessments), **they will not cheat, copy, or take credit for somebody else's work**. When using other people's ideas, words, or information, students will properly cite their sources of information.

1st offense- Referral to office, 1 day of ISS, Academic Misconduct Assignment, redo or alternate assignment from teacher. The redo or alternate assignment will follow the building policy for redoing summative assessments (in terms of the due date and maximum score allowed).

2nd offense- Referral to office, 1 days of Out-of-School Suspension, referral to counselor for S-Team, student returns with parent for S-Team and to establish a behavior contract, redo or alternate assignment from teacher. The redo or alternate assignment will follow the building policy for redoing summative assessments (in terms of the due date and maximum score allowed).

3rd offense- Referral to office, 2-3 days of Out-of-School Suspension, student returns with parent to review behavior contract, redo or alternate assignment from teacher. The redo or alternate assignment will follow the building policy for redoing summative assessments (in terms of the due date and maximum score allowed). Student's name submitted for potential revocation from school at the end of year.

Student & Parent Signature

I, (Print Student's First & Last Name) _____ **understand the Meigs Honor Code and Discipline Policy regarding Academic Misconduct.** I will do my part to refrain from academic dishonesty and will report any academic dishonesty that I observe or hear about. By doing so, I will maintain my personal integrity and the intellectual integrity of this school.

Student's signature

Date

Parent's signature

Date

****Please sign and return entire sheet to your homeroom teacher.***

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