

Academic Integrity Policy



Vision

Dream, Inspire, Act.

Mission

Genesis Global School aims to nurture all students to become resilient and confident learners as socially responsible leaders serving diverse communities and cultural contexts.

Policy Monitoring

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This policy will be reviewed at least annually and following any concerns and/or updates to national/local guidance or procedure.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY POLICY

Objective: To ensure all students and staff are familiar with definitions and consequences of engaging in issues questioning academic integrity.

Policy Statement: Genesis Global School academic integrity policy revolves around the fundamental values of honesty, trust, fairness, respect and responsibility (<u>http://www.academicintergity.org</u>).

Genesis Global School expects that:

a student shall conduct himself or herself to reasonably comply with the following code of conduct;

- i) be diligent in pursuing their studies;
- ii) attend school regularly and punctually;
- iii) cooperate fully with everyone authorized by the school to provide education programs and other services;
- iv) comply with the rules of the school;
- v) account to fellow students and teachers for their conduct;
- vi) respect the rights of others

Prohibited Activities:

No person shall disturb or interrupt the learning environment of others.

<u>Plagiarism</u>: is defined as stealing and passing off the ideas, images, data or words of another as one's own, in any academic writing or other project, without crediting the source (Miriam – Webster's Collegiate Dictionary).

Examples of Plagiarism

- Not properly citing the words, pictures, music, video, or other forms of communication in your research projects
- Copy and pasting online sources and submitting it as your work
- Paraphrasing source material without proper citations
- Hiring someone to write a paper, buying a paper or downloading paper from an online source
- Making up sources or listing sources you did not consult

<u>Cheating</u>: is defined as using someone else's words, work, test answers, or ideas, so as to give or gain an unfair advantage (Miriam – Webster's Collegiate Dictionary)

Examples of Cheating:

- copying or allowing others to copy information from someone else's work, test paper, homework, computer etc.
- looking at another's test or sharing what is on the test with other students, either verbally or electronically
- using cheat sheets or bringing unauthorized materials into the testing space (this includes writing on the desks or body), in order to provide answers for evaluation
- letting your project partner do all of the work and just putting your name on the final project



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- sharing/accessing network files without the owner's knowledge and using them for class assignments
- turning in someone else's project (past or present assignment) as your own
- disregarding the IB examination code of conduct
- misconduct, refusing to follow directions, such as taking test materials out of a classroom or using electronics when prohibited
- having someone else sit an examination for you
- disruption during an examination

<u>Fraud</u>: is defined as deliberate deception practice it to secure unfair or unlawful gain.

Examples of fraud:

- Attempting to pass off another's work, imagery or technology as your own
- Falsifying scientific or other data submitted for academic credit
- Forging signatures or tampering with official records

Consequences, an Opportunity for Learning:

All instances of plagiarism/cheating/fraud will be handled on an individual basis, to determine what options, if any, will be accorded to the student to learn from his/her first error in judgment. Upon confirmation of plagiarism/cheating/fraud consequences will include one or more of the following:

- Opportunity to redo the work at the teacher's discretion
- Opportunity to add the appropriate documentation that is missing
- No second opportunity (repeated cases will result in a grade of zero being assigned and may lead to further consequences such as suspension).
- In the case of IB students no second opportunity will be provided and a grade of zero will be assigned as per IB regulation
- Offences during IB examinations will be reported to the; International Baccalaureate Evaluation Office and IB qualification may be withdrawn

References

Canmore Collegiate Policy, 2010 Alberta Education (education.alberta.ca) CAST - Universal Design for Learning Alberta Learning (learnalberta.ca) Alberta guide to education Alberta assessment Consortium Academic Honesty in the IB Educational Context Academic Honesty in the Diploma Programme Diploma Programme: From principles to practice