ACADEMIC HONESTY

BP 5131.9

The School Board believes that Academic honesty and personal integrity is basic to all solid achievement, are foundational components of a student's education in both the process of learning, and individual character development. Students will reach their full potential only by being honest with themselves and others.

The School Board expects that students to respect the educational purpose underlying all school activities. will be truthful in all academic endeavors, and likewise, experience the requisite honor of proving their capabilities to themselves and the world. All students need to prove to themselves that they can do successful work as a result of their own efforts.

The learning community of students, parents/guardians, staff and administrators shall be responsible for creating and maintaining a positive school climate that encourages honesty.

The School Board expects that students will not cheat, lie, or plagiarize, or commit other acts of academic dishonesty. Students found to have committed an act of academic dishonesty shall be subject to district and school sanctions. Each school shall provide an environment that encourages honesty. Students must know that their teachers will not ignore or condone cheating and that anyone discovered cheating will be penalized.

The School Board recognizes that the advancement and availability of artificial intelligence/generative technology (AI/GT), means the learning community is very likely to utilize this new technology. Such use must meet the requirements of academic honesty and yet allow for its application as a new tool for instruction, critical thinking, exploration, and development of original thought and material. It is expected and required that use of AI/GT will be appropriately referenced and noted.

(cf. 5030 School Discipline and Safety) (cf. 5144 - Discipline)

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