

Tates Creek High School Academic Honor Code Policy

Tates Creek High School offers a quality education that not only ensures knowledge and models skills for becoming responsible citizens, but also cultivates honor, honesty, and integrity. All Tates Creek students are expected to strive for and maintain the highest standards of academic integrity, school leadership, and community responsibility. Tates Creek Honor Code violations include:

- Cheating – The use of unauthorized assistance or material, or giving or sharing of unauthorized assistance or material, in the carrying out of **any** academic assignment.
- Forgery – The intent to mislead others by falsifying a signature in an academic matter (hall pass, parental signature, etc.)
- Plagiarism – “The act of appropriating the literary composition of another, or parts, or passages of his/her writings of ideas, or the language of the same, passing them off as the product of one’s own mind” (Black’s Law Dictionary, 5th Edition). Students are expected to cite properly any material from a published or unpublished source, including material available on the Internet. Although academic disciplines may differ in the manner in which sources are cited, some principles apply across disciplines. In general, any ideas, words, or phrases that appear in another source must be acknowledged at the point at which they are utilized in a student’s work.

Certifying Statement

Students are expected to accept and adhere to the following certifying statement:

I will neither give nor receive unauthorized assistance for any work I submit, and I will adhere to the Tates Creek High School Honor Code guidelines.

Consequences

First Offense

- Infraction will be discussed with the student. Student will receive a zero on the assignment with no opportunity for make-up.
- Student Discipline Referral completed for purposes of documentation and inclusion in discipline records.
- Teacher will call parent/guardian to explain violation and document contact on the current Kentucky Department of Education software.

Second and Subsequent Offenses

- Students will be given each of the three consequences outlined under first offense
- Student may not be allowed to participate in student council or honor societies, nor be considered for any school academic awards for the remainder of the school year.
- In-school suspension may be assigned (SAFE).
- Student may be dismissed from the ACE Pre-Diploma or International Baccalaureate program of Tates Creek High School.

In addition to the above, consequences may be imposed in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.

Approved by SBDM Council
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