

HONOR CODE

As a Catholic high school, Saint Patrick High School is committed to developing men of character, honor and leadership. Our duties include modeling, encouraging, and supporting academic integrity in one another and treating all individuals, ideas, environments, and property with respect and dignity. As such, students are called to uphold an Honor Code by pursuing their education with honesty and integrity. Any act of academic dishonesty that diminishes the honor of Saint Patrick High School and the young men entrusted to our care is strongly discouraged.

Saint Patrick High School students possess honor in their academic endeavors when their work and achievement are the results of their own efforts. Actions that do not reflect this honor include, but are not limited to:

- Copying someone else's work or allowing someone to copy one's work.
- Completing another person's assignment for him, such as an art project or a computer assignment.
- Employing others to do one's work.
- Committing an act of plagiarism, that is representing someone else's work or ideas, in part or in whole, as one's own.
- Using any unauthorized aid, including both printed and electronic materials, on a test or any other form of assessment.
- Using any unauthorized electronic device (cell phone, iPad, etc. during an assessment (quiz, test, etc).
- Sharing or receiving information about an assessment with those who are taking or who are awaiting the assessment. This will include verbal, non-verbal, written, and electronic means of communication.
- Downloading, purchasing, or stealing materials that provide an advantage unintended by the teacher. This includes the actual assessment document as well as any additional means used to complete the assessment, such as Scantron forms.

If a teacher suspects that a student was cheating or has plagiarized his work, the teacher should notify the assistant principals right away.

When a student does not fulfill the requirements of the Honor Code, the following consequences shall apply.

FIRST OFFENSE

- The student receives a failing grade of zero on the assignment or assessment. It is the teacher's prerogative to still require that the assignment be completed.
- The teacher will submit an Academic Dishonesty log to PowerSchool within 48 hours. This will notify the student's counselor and the Assistant Principal.
- Membership in or acceptance to the National Honor Society, or other Honor Societies, may be jeopardized.
- The student will meet with his counselor to discuss the violation of the Honor Code.

SECOND OFFENSE

- The student receives a failing grade of zero on the assignment or assessment. It is the teacher's prerogative to still require that the assignment be completed.
- The teacher will submit an Academic Dishonesty log to PowerSchool within 48 hours. This will notify the student's counselor and the Assistant Principal.

- Membership in or acceptance to the National Honor Society, or other Honor Societies, may be jeopardized.
- The student, parent, counselor, and Assistant Principal will meet to discuss the seriousness of the academic misconduct and formulate a plan for academic success.

THIRD OFFENSE

- The student receives a failing grade of zero on the assignment or assessment.
- The student will be removed from the course in which the offense occurred and no credit for the course will be granted. The credit will need to be made up in summer school.
- The teacher will submit an Academic Dishonesty log to PowerSchool within 48 hours. This will notify the student's counselor and the Assistant Principal.
- Dismissal or denial of application from all school honor societies, including the National Honor Society.
- Additional consequences will be discussed at this time, which may include:
 - Exclusion from consideration for academic awards and recognition.
 - Suspension or dismissal from Saint Patrick High School

PLEASE NOTE

- To encourage and support the development of honor and academic integrity, a student on probation who then successfully completes two semesters without a violation of the Honor Code will be re-evaluated.
- Depending upon the severity of the infraction of the Honor Code, the penalty could be greater than those listed under the enumerated offense. Instances of violation of the Honor Code are cumulative during a student's career at Saint Patrick High School.