

# Secondary Honor Code

*“Learning is Essential for Liberty.” – Thomas Jefferson*

This Honor Code was developed by Clear Creek ISD high school students with the expressed intent to state that our Academic Integrity is being challenged in the face of high stakes testing and reports of periodic cheating. Therefore, it has become a moral imperative that our work ethic today will impact our future.

We believe the students of Clear Creek ISD subscribe to becoming self-directed learners and doing the best we can. Furthermore, we believe that academic honesty is respecting yourself and others, as well as claiming your own work.

We believe students are responsible for maintaining and supporting the academic integrity of the school by completing all assigned work, activities, and tests in an honorable process without engaging in cheating, fraud, plagiarism, or prohibitive electronic assistance. Through this effort, we will become trusted members of society and prepared for the workforce of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

We believe teachers are responsible for monitoring students during all assessments and holding students accountable for cheating. We believe that each class and teacher is only as strong as each individual’s personal commitment to integrity, honor, and responsibility. Teachers are also encouraged to have faith in their student’s success and for making sure the class is highly engaging.

We believe the measure of success of our school community is based on the success of our students and that our Core Values should guide behavior. As a result of clear and compelling evidence of student’s cheating on a major grade:

1. A documented finding of academic dishonesty shall be recorded in the student’s discipline record.
2. A student shall be assigned in-school suspension and/or any other applicable consequences listed in the Student Code of Conduct.
3. A student shall receive a “0” for the school work, will not be allowed to retake the work, and is subject to a “U” in conduct and disciplinary action (including ineligibility in the next contest/game).
4. Students who are enrolled in advanced academic courses (Honors/AP) may be removed from the advanced academic course and placed in the next lower level class in consultation with the counselor regarding academic concerns.
5. A student is not eligible for any semester exam exemption.
6. Students in violation of the Honor Code shall be immediately removed from the National Honor Society, National Junior Honor Society and any other Honor Society that is an official school organization.
7. A student who has been disciplined for academic dishonesty during the four semesters preceding graduation shall not be eligible to deliver a speech during graduation ceremonies. See EIC(LOCAL).

Your signature below indicates that you have received a copy of the Secondary Honor Code.

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Student Signature/Date

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Student Printed Name

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Parent Signature/Date

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Parent Printed Name