

Plagiarism

Plagiarize

"To steal and use the ideas or writings of another as one's own."

The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language. Second College ed. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company, 1985. 946. Print.

"Plagiarism involves two kinds of wrongs. Using another person's ideas, information, or expressions without acknowledging that person's work constitutes intellectual theft. Passing off another person's ideas, information, or expressions as your own to get a better grade or gain some other advantage constitutes fraud."

MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers. 7th ed. New York: The Modern Language Association of America, 2009. 52. Print.

Plagiarism is taking someone else's ideas or writing and presenting them as your own. This includes, but is not limited to, copying portions or passages from articles, books, and other reference materials; downloading research papers from the Internet; submitting work written by a friend or family member. You are encouraged to incorporate others' ideas and facts into your writing, but you must remember to give them credit. The electronic resources available to you are vast and significant. Use them to supplement your own scholarship, not as a replacement for it. Save all your research notes and rough drafts.

Students must cite when:

- using another writer's facts, ideas, or opinions
- repeating a writer's wording
- repeating a writer's particularly apt term
- paraphrasing a writer's argument
- presenting a writer's line of thinking

[Duluth Public Schools - Policies and Regulations](#)

The following excerpt is from the Student Discipline Policy 5085/Violation Against School Administrative Procedures, Section F:

PLAGIARIZING

Taking credit for work you did not do is prohibited. For example, but not limited to:

- 1) copying from print, the internet, or other electronic resources;
- 2) purchasing someone's work;
- 3) copying from another person's work;

1st Offense: Teacher conference with student. Teacher discretion for consequences.

2nd Offense: Parent notification and/or conference. Teacher discretion for consequences.

3rd Offense: Administrative conference. Consideration for loss of credit. 1 to 3 days in- or out-of-school suspension.

Helpful Websites:

[Finding Dulcinea's Preventing Plagiarism](#)