
Barker Road Middle School Academic Honesty Policy

Integrity and Responsibility are core principles that we value at Barker Road Middle School. We want our students to understand that taking part in cheating in any way is a violation of Barker Road Middle School's expectations for academic honesty and good citizenship.

Put simply, cheating is when you submit work that is not your own or allow another to submit your work as if it were his or her own. Some examples of cheating are as follows:

- Copying homework or assignments from another student
- Copying information from sources, including the internet, without proper citations.
- Copying or sharing of assessment information

For the Student

I have carefully read this agreement and understand that cheating and plagiarism are serious offenses at Barker Road Middle School. I understand that by signing below, I am stating that I understand that cheating in any way goes against the core principles. I further understand that if ever confused about how to properly make sure that I am not cheating or plagiarizing, it is **my responsibility** to consult my teacher for clarification.

In addition to any consequences that may be imposed due to an act of cheating, I understand that I will still be expected to complete the learning activity that I was assigned, or another similar activity chosen by my teacher.

I also understand that any penalties for cheating or plagiarism will be in accordance with the Pittsford Central School District's Grading Philosophy.

Student Name (please print clearly) _____

Student signature _____

Date _____

A Note to Parents/Guardians

Making mistakes is a part of growing up. By making expectations clear and holding firmly to them, together we can help to assure that our young people will develop the kind of ethics that help create a foundation for strong families and communities. This partnership begins with your conversation with your child about this document and signing it below.

Parent/Guardian signature _____

Date _____

Parent/Guardian signature _____

Date _____

(second parent/guardian signature optional)