

## CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW BRITAIN

# **Board Policy Statement 5121.3 - Academic Integrity**

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#### **Students**

### Academic Integrity

As an academic community, which strives for excellence, the District will not tolerate academic dishonesty. Students are expected to pursue their school work with integrity and honesty. Cheating and plagiarism demonstrate a lack of integrity and character inconsistent with the goals and values of the District. Dishonesty is not merely a private matter between the teacher and student but is a concern to the entire school community.

Cheating, defined as copying another student's work and claiming it as your own and plagiarism, defined as using another person's original ideas/work or materials generated by artificial intelligence without giving credit to the true author or source, are both prohibited practices. All such materials are covered by this policy.

A student who engages in any form of academic dishonesty will be subject to the loss of credit for the work in question, as well as other disciplinary measures as may be determined by the school administrator and in accordance with Board policy 5131. Teachers shall instruct students in research and study skills appropriate to each subject, so that all students may feel confident that if they prepare, they can succeed without cheating or plagiarizing.

(5131- Suspension/Expulsion) (XXXX - Examination/Grading/Rating) (5131 - Discipline/Punishment)

#### **Legal Reference:**

Connecticut General Statutes 10-221 Board of education to prescribe rules, policies and procedure