



Bailey Middle School Academic Honor Code 2026-2027

Culture of Integrity, Responsibility, and Excellence

Bailey Middle School values honesty and integrity. Students are honor-bound to refrain from cheating, plagiarism, stealing, lying, and digital misconduct. All community members share the responsibility of upholding these expectations.

Academic Integrity

Students must submit their own work unless collaboration is authorized. **Cheating** is giving/receiving unauthorized aid for an unfair advantage. **Plagiarism** is presenting another's work or ideas as your own without citation.

Violations include:

- Copying or allowing others to copy work/answers.
- Using unauthorized materials (notes, devices, AI) or discussing assessments with those yet to take them.
- Using sources without proper citation or falsifying school documents.

Artificial Intelligence (AI)

AI tools may be used ethically **only with teacher permission** for brainstorming or skill support. Unacceptable uses include submitting AI-generated work as your own or using it to bypass learning expectations.

Conduct: Lying & Stealing

Lying is the intentional misrepresentation of facts. Stealing is taking property or digital resources without permission. Both violate the Honor Code.

Honor Statement

"On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized assistance on this assignment. This work represents my own effort, and I have followed the Bailey Middle School Honor Code."



Community Commitment

All members of the Bailey Middle School community pledge to:

1. Understand the seriousness of academic and personal dishonesty.
2. Act with honesty, integrity, and accountability.
3. Respect the work, property, and rights of others.
4. Support a school culture built on trust and responsibility.
5. Report Honor Code violations to a teacher, counselor, or administrator.

Students are responsible for understanding and following all Honor Code expectations and other school policies. Claims of misunderstanding, lack of intent, or unfamiliarity with the Honor Code do not excuse violations.

Honor Code Consequences

Informal Violations (Assignments in the Practice/Rehearsal Categories):

- 1st: Zero grade, parent notification, warning.
- 2nd: Zero grade, conference, documented, loss of Diamond ACE.
- 3rd: Zero grade, documented, 1 day In-School Suspension (ISS).

Formal Violations (Assignments in the Perform Category):

- 1st: Zero grade, conference, documented.
- 2nd: Zero grade, conference, documented, 1 day ISS.

By honoring this code, students help build a culture of trust and excellence.

At Bailey Middle School, integrity matters. We believe that character is demonstrated not only by what students know, but by how they choose to act. By honoring this code, students help create a school community built on trust, respect, responsibility, and excellence.