Billings School District 2

STUDENTS

Academic Honesty and Responsible Use of Resources

The Board of Trustees believes that academic honesty and personal integrity are fundamental components of a student's education and character development. The Board expects that students will not engage in acts of academic dishonesty.

Academic dishonesty is defined as a breach of standards of academic integrity which includes but is not limited to plagiarism, collusion, falsifying academic records, and any other act designed to give unfair academic advantage to the student. Such breach of standards may also include any attempt to deceive or mislead a teacher in arriving at an honest evaluation of learning such as aiding other students in acts of academic dishonesty and using programmable calculators, artificial intelligence or other technology in a manner not specified or authorized by the teacher. The act of knowingly and intentionally presenting materials, work, or concepts taken from sources of another person, publication, or program as one's own work product without appropriate documentation, teacher authorization, or citation is also considered to be academic dishonesty.

Students, parents/guardians, staff, and administrators shall be responsible for creating and maintaining a positive school climate that encourages honesty. It is the intent of the Board and the District that academic dishonesty be dealt with consistently and effectively in a manner aimed at addressing the specific incident, as well as changing the student's future behavior.

Engaging in any type of academic dishonesty will result in consequences consistent with District Policy 3310, 3350, and the Student Handbook.

This policy does not prohibit use of technology, artificial intelligence, sources, or techniques authorized by the classroom teacher as part of training or educational coursework in a responsible and appropriate manner consistent with the curriculum or lesson plan. Violation of classroom teacher directive or exceeding the scope of the classroom teacher's permission to utilize technology, sources, or techniques may be considered a violation of the policy.

Cross References:

Number	Title
3310	Student Discipline: Consequences for Violation of Student Code of Conduct
3350	Student Discipline: Due Process

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