Red Bank Regional High School

IB Academic Honesty Policy

Red Bank Regional High School believes that every student has the right to pursue an education free from the consequences caused by any form of academic dishonesty. All IB diploma and course candidates at Red Bank Regional High School are expected to maintain the highest standard of personal integrity, honesty, and truthfulness. As noted in *Academic honesty in the IB educational context* (available on RBR’s website at [rbrhs.org/Page/1371](http://rbrhs.org/Page/1371)), IB candidates “enjoy the freedom and bear the responsibility of studying a course that emphasizes independence and self-reliance” and therefore must adhere to a high standard of academic honesty. The International Baccalaureate Organization’s Academic Honesty Policy states that “all coursework—including work submitted for assessment—is to be authentic, based on the student’s individual and original ideas with the ideas and work of others fully acknowledged.” (*From principles into practice* from the IBO)

The IB course of study is rigorous. One of the measures of student maturity and success is the ability to reach goals free of unethical conduct. “Academic honesty in the Diploma Programme (DP) is a set of values and behaviours informed by the attributes of the learner profile.” (*Academic honesty in the IB educational context*, IBO) A student who chooses to pursue the challenge of IB courses also abides by the principles of this Red Bank Regional High School IB Academic Honesty Policy.

By the time students enroll in an IB course as a junior or senior, they have been exposed to proper research and citation procedures at RBR. Students are made aware of the seriousness of academic dishonesty yearly in multiple courses. As a means of ensuring the authenticity of student work, students may be required to submit their work, both for the teacher and for the IBO, on turnitin. Any incident of academic dishonesty could lead to an IB student being placed on probation or being removed from the IB program.

Upon enrollment in the IB Diploma Programme, all students and their parents will sign the RBR IB Academic Honesty Policy Agreement that follows.
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I, ________________________________, agree that

1. I will always do my best work in my IB course(s).
2. All the work that I do and submit will be a result of my own thinking and effort.
3. I will give credit for all ideas, facts, and lines of thinking that come from other sources.
4. All collaborative effort in my course work must be sanctioned by my teacher.
5. I will not provide others with answers during or after tests, with homework that they have not completed, or with help that goes beyond sanctioned collaboration.
6. I will provide correctly formatted and accurate citations and bibliographies for research-based work, both written and spoken.
7. I will, at any time, be able to provide my teachers with an accurate and complete source base for my research work.
8. I will avoid all pressures from any classmates to cheat or conspire to cheat.
9. I will not ignore cheating by others and agree to speak out against the intention to cheat or the act of cheating. I acknowledge that my silence about cheating makes me a party to cheating.
10. I will confide my knowledge of cheating by others only to the appropriate teacher, IB Coordinator, IB Counselor or an administrator. I understand such revelations will be made in confidence.

Furthermore, I accept the following consequences for my own involvement in any form of academic dishonesty:

1. Immediate grade of “0” for the assignment
2. A conference with the teacher, IB Coordinator, IB Counselor and a member of the administration.
3. My parents/guardians will be notified and the incident will be documented as a discipline referral.

I understand that any breach of the IB Academic Honesty Policy may result in my removal from the IB Diploma Programme at Red Bank Regional High School.

I have read this agreement, RBR's IB Academic Honesty Policy, and the IBO's Academic Honesty in the Diploma Programme pamphlet (available on RBR's website at rbrhs.org/Page/1371) in their entirety.

Student Signature ________________________________  Date ____________________

Parent Signature ________________________________  Date ____________________