
GD GOENKA GLOBAL SCHOOL

PYP ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

The GDGGS mission is fulfil their academic, cultural, sporting and social potential. Achieve the best possible academic results. Acquire habits of curiosity, reflection, mental flexibility, self-discipline, industry and independence. Maintain openness of mind, dignity of conduct and mutual respect in the face of racial, economic, cultural, religious and linguistic diversity. Develop a confident understanding of their role in an international society.

- Promote the good academic practice and a school culture that actively encourages academic honesty
- Enable students to understand what constitutes academic honesty and dishonesty
- Encourage students to share their ideas, thoughts, the conclusions that they reach as a consequence of their learning, so their assignments have to be completed in their own words.
- Encourage students to look to their teachers for support when completing work and coursework in order to prevent any possible form of malpractice
- Ensure that students understand the importance of acknowledging accurately and honestly all ideas and work of others

How does the 'Academic Honesty' look like in PYP at GDGGS?:

Academic honesty refers to:

- All students particularly, upper primary students, understand what we mean by academic honesty and why this is important.
- All work produced by students is their own, authentic work.
- All such authentic work has the ideas and words of others fully acknowledged.
- All students are encouraged to be principled and honest while working on the self-assessment and peer-assessment.

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THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH STUDENT

- Students are responsible for making sure that all work handed in is their own work
- Students are responsible for fully and correctly acknowledging the work and ideas of others
- Students must use information from any resource they like BUT they must include ALL of their resources in their bibliography

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH TEACHER

Teachers are responsible as follows:

- Subject teachers are in the best position to identify work which may not be the authentic work of the student
- If a teacher suspects that a student's work is not his/her own, the teacher has a duty to warn the student of his/her suspicions, and has the right to ask students to redo the work, under teacher supervision.
- Teachers must give guidelines for developing a bibliography that must be attached to all of their work.

Academic Honesty, therefore, means:

- No Cheating: Copying someone else's work
 - No Collusion: There are occasions in PYP where collaboration with other candidates is permitted or actively encouraged. Nevertheless, if the teacher is not looking for a group product, the final work must be produced independently, despite the fact that it may be based on similar data.
 - No Plagiarism: Plagiarism means presenting someone else's work, writing, thoughts, visuals, graphics, music and ideas as your own.
- Plagiarism is a clear breach of academic honesty. It is also a criminal offence
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