

## *How Parents Can Help*

Parents are asked to encourage and assist students on their educational journeys. The goal of the Eagle Hill community is for our students to develop independence. Independent thinking skills at an early age will help children to develop the study habits they will carry with them throughout their academic careers and lives.

### **Tips for parents:**

- Help your child plan ahead to prevent last-minute time crunches that can increase the temptation to cheat.
- Be sure your child understands assignments and encourage him/her to ask questions of the teacher when unclear.
- Have your child keep a list of sources used, including author, title, publisher, and copyright date.
- Encourage good study habits.
- Make homework a priority. Children are more eager to do homework if they know their parents care that it gets done well.



- Help your child, when needed, in a manner which moves them toward independence.
- Instill pride in their own work and set high expectations for honesty and quality. Role model these behaviors in your own life.
- Resist the urge to do their work for them.

Remember that over-scheduling a child can put extra pressure on him/her, which might make homework more difficult to complete in a timely, thorough manner.

Please review this information with your student, and sign below that you are in agreement with the Eagle Hill policy fostering academic honesty. Return this signed brochure to your homeroom teacher.


Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Student \_\_\_\_\_

## *Academic Honesty at Eagle Hill*

### **Character Education Committee**

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## *Violations of our Academic Honesty Policy*

***Cheating* is the use of another person's ideas or information, knowingly or unknowingly, as your own.**

Examples of cheating include:

1. Sharing and/or copying any assignment, including from previous school years, such as: classwork; homework; lab reports; quiz questions and/or answers; test questions and/or answers; and projects
2. Accessing questions or answers before completing an assignment, quiz and/or test
3. Using materials including textbooks, notes, calculators or computer programs during class, a quiz, and/or test without the teacher's knowledge
4. Destroying, sabotaging, or stealing another person's work
5. Participating in other inappropriate actions as determined by the teacher.

***Plagiarism* is the use of another person's work without appropriate acknowledgement.**

Examples of plagiarism include:

1. Copying or using another person's work without citing the source
2. Submitting items in whole or in part from the Internet without citing the source
3. Using graphics such as graphs, charts, and illustrations without citing the source
4. Submitting an assignment that was completed by another person
5. Participating in other inappropriate actions as determined by the teacher

Fayetteville-Manlius Schools expect all students to build on excellence by encouraging positive qualities and behaviors of good character. Building character and academic honesty, as well as academic success, will support students to develop to their fullest potential.

We hope the information in this pamphlet will facilitate a positive discussion between parents and their children about academic honesty.

