

## Patapsco Middle School Honor Code

One of the goals at Patapsco is to help our students develop positive character traits and to take personal responsibility for their choices, decisions, and actions in order to maintain an honorable environment. We want all students to be **Resilient, Responsible, and Respectful**, while also exhibiting integrity. Lessons on the Honor Code will take place in content classes throughout the school year. Examples include, but are not limited to:

<b>Cheating</b> - Possessing, using, or attempting to use unauthorized materials, information, or study aids in any academic exercise.	<b>Facilitating</b> - Helping or attempting to assist another student violate any provision of the honor code	<b>Plagiarism</b> - Presenting someone else's work as your own without proper citation or acknowledgement
Copying someone else's work, including homework.	Allowing another student to copy your work.	Submitting work that is not your own.
Cheating on exams, tests, or quizzes, including failure to follow behavioral and procedural guidelines before, during, and after testing situations.	Sharing information about the content of an exam, test, or quiz with a student who has not taken the exam/quiz.	Copying or paraphrasing an excerpt from the Internet or any other source without proper citation.

### CONSEQUENCES FOR VIOLATIONS

#### **1<sup>st</sup> offense:**

- Minor Incident Report with a 0 on the assignment or an alternate consequence can be assigned at the discretion of the teacher.
- Parent contact

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> (or subsequent) offenses:**

- 0 on the assignment
- Parent contact
- Disciplinary referral to administrator and consequence under the HCPSS student code of conduct

Offenses are cumulative and consequences increase for each offense committed during the academic year at Patapsco Middle School.

*Parts of this policy are adapted from Dr. Andrea Goodwin's (Associate Director of Student Conduct, University of Maryland) presentation and the UM Code of Academic Integrity (instituted 1990-91), the Hammond High School Honor Code, the Glenelg High School Honor Code, the Marriotts Ridge High School Student Code of Honor and Integrity, the Reservoir High School Honor Code, the River Hill High School Academic Integrity Policy and Honor Pledge, the Wilde Lake High School Academic Honor Code, and the Virginia Tech Honor Code.*