

Ephrata Senior High School
Plagiarism Policy
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- Plagiarism is a form of cheating. It is submitting someone else's words and or ideas as if they were one's own.
- Plagiarism most often, but not exclusively, occurs in one of the following ways:
 - ➔ Copying a paper, parts of a paper, or sentences word for word; usually by downloading from the Internet.
 - ➔ Paraphrasing one or more articles without crediting the sources in a Works Cited or Bibliography.
 - ➔ Copying someone else's work, such as homework, research papers, or lab reports.
- Plagiarism is a serious matter. The following consequences are cumulative from ninth grade through the senior year.
 - ➔ Teachers may use their discretion in one case of unintentional or accidental plagiarism when a student unknowingly violated this policy.
 - ➔ The first infraction will result in a zero for the assignment which will be averaged with a second grade earned if the student chooses to redo the assignment. Parents will be notified by the teacher. The teacher will complete a discipline referral form for the appropriate administrator to record the offense.
 - ➔ Subsequent infractions will result in a zero for the assignment with no options for redoing the assignment. Administrators will be notified by the teacher via the discipline referral form. A parent-administrator conference will be held.