

**HARLEM VILLAGE ACADEMIES HIGH  
IB STUDENT HONOR CODE (ACADEMIC YEAR 2020-21)**

The HVAH academic program offers a quality education that not only provides knowledge, but also cultivates character. Honor is of great importance, for it is personal integrity that will influence and determine many of our actions and beliefs. This honor code applies to all IB students, and all activities associated with Harlem Village Academies High. Schoolwork can be demanding and rigorous; while we encourage students to study together and discuss work, ethical conduct is expected at all times.

**What constitutes academic dishonesty and, as such, a violation of the IB Student Honor Code?**

For the purposes of the HVAH IB Program, violations include, but are not limited to, the following examples:

**Plagiarism:** The intentional or unintentional failure to give clear credit to the author of any words/ideas not your own. This includes copying the words/ideas of others without attribution, the failure to quote and/or cite authors, and/or the use of fake sources on any work product.

**Cheating:** Using cheat sheets during exams; looking at someone else's paper during an exam; using an electronic device to gain information during a time that is not appropriate (i.e.: using an iPhone during an exam); using technology to translate texts and submit the work as your own; providing questions/answers or test information to peers about questions/answers on any quiz/exam.

**Copying:** Providing work product and/or answers to other students; allowing others to copy your work (including homework). Providing graded homework, reading notes, lab reports, and/or notebooks to others so they can get credit for the work.

**Academic Misconduct:** Academic misconduct (malpractice) most commonly involves collusion or plagiarism and constitutes a formal breach of IB regulations. However, there are other ways in which a candidate may be in breach of regulations, including (but not limited to): falsifying CAS submissions and data; falsifying formal Extended Essay and/or TOK reflections; duplicating work to meet the requirements of more than one assessment component; fabricating data for an assignment; taking unauthorized material into an exam room; disrupting an IB examination; passing on information that is or could be related to an IB exam; impersonating an IB candidate; stealing IB exam papers; disclosing or discussing the contents of an IB exam with a person outside the immediate school community within 24 hours after the examination; using unauthorized materials during an IB exam.

**Inherent in this IB Student Honor Code is the responsibility of all members of the HVAH IB community to act with personal integrity and report violations of the IB Student Honor Code to their teacher or the IB Coordinator. Our community does not condone inappropriate behavior. There will be no informal warning given for violations.**

When violations of the Honor Code are discovered, parents are notified and the incident is documented in the student's academic file; progressive disciplinary action – including removal from the class for no credit – may be taken by administration. Violations of the Honor Code can impact student graduation.

No work that violates the IB Student Honor Code will be submitted to the IBO for scoring. Therefore, any student who violates the IB Student Honor Code even once can put their IB certificate or IB diploma status in jeopardy. The IBO takes academic honesty very seriously. Misconduct can result in the loss of subject-level IB certificates and the full-IB diploma. The IBO asks both the teacher and IB Coordinator to validate the originality of all student work; any HVAH staff member reserves the right to refuse to sign off on IB paperwork for students who violate the IB Student Honor Code.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby resolve  
(please write your full name clearly)

and agree to uphold the IB Student Honor Code of Harlem Village Academies High. I shall refrain from all forms of academic dishonesty. I am fully aware of the consequences of violating the code. I recognize that the IB program is based on the foundation of freedom, trust, and respect and that academic honesty is essential to the existence and growth of any academic community. I agree to maintain a high standard of honesty and conduct.

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(Student Signature)

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(Date)

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(Parent Signature)

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(Date)