

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Franklin Technology Center is committed to academic integrity and expects all members of the school community to accept shared responsibility for maintaining academic integrity.

Academic work is evaluated on the assumption that the work presented is the student's own, unless designated otherwise. Submitting work that is not one's own is unacceptable and is considered a serious violation of FTC policy. Cheating is a serious offense that invalidates the purpose of a university education. Any student, who takes credit for the work of another person, offers or accepts assistance beyond that allowed by an instructor, or uses unauthorized sources for a test or assignment is cheating.

Students must be conscious of their responsibilities as scholars, to learn to discern what is included in plagiarism as well as in other breaches of the *Student Handbook*, and must know and practice the specifications for citations in scholarly work.

When dealing with cases of academic dishonesty, the program coordinator may choose to report the issue to the Director of FTC, who may act on the report by issuing a written warning or by recommending disciplinary probation, suspension or expulsion.

Penalties for academic dishonesty may include a failing grade on the assignment, a failing grade in the program or any other course-related sanction the instructor determines to be appropriate.