

# Freshman House Plagiarism Policy

*Plagiarism in a school environment is intellectual theft and academic dishonesty.*

In *Webster's Dictionary*, plagiarism is defined as:

- To steal and pass off the ideas of another as one's own
- To use a created production without crediting the source
- To present, as new & original, an idea from an existing source

Synonyms for "plagiarize" include **copy**, **cheat**, **reword**, and **paraphrase**.

## Examples of Plagiarism in School

- Copying someone else's ideas and answers on a test or quiz
- Giving or receiving information on exams
- Directly copying someone's homework
- Directly copying from a text without citing your source
- Using work from a previous year or class

## Consequences for Plagiarism

**There is zero tolerance for plagiarism at Kalani High School, and the offense is taken seriously.**

- 1st offense: Student (or students if more than 1 person is involved) receives a 0 (zero) for assignment, and teacher calls home. Student sees teacher to replace the 0 with an alternative assignment.
- 2nd offense: Referral to administrator. Assignment score will remain a 0.
- 3rd offense & beyond: Referral to administrator for more serious consequences. Assignment score will remain a 0.

Sources:

- *Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary*
- Excerpts from a statement from Philips Exeter Academy, Exeter, NH
- Excerpts from the Iolani Science Department Plagiarism Policy
- *Roget's Thesaurus*
- Moanalua High School Plagiarism Policy