

RCS ACADEMIC HONESTY HONOR CODE

I understand that I must use research conventions to cite and clearly mark other people's ideas and words within the paper. I understand that plagiarism is an act of intellectual dishonesty. I understand it is academically unethical and unacceptable to do any of the following acts:

- To submit essays written in whole or in part by another student as if it were my own.
- To download an essay from the Internet, then quote or paraphrase from it, in whole or in part, without acknowledging the original source.
- To restate a clever phrase verbatim from another writer without acknowledging the source.
- To take work originally done for one instructor's assignment and re-submit it to another teacher.
- To cheat on tests or quizzes through the use of crib sheets, hidden notes, viewing another student's paper, revealing the answers on my own paper to another student through verbal or textual communication, sign language, or other means of storing and communicating information—including electronic devices, recording devices, cellular telephones, headsets, and portable computers.
- To copy another student's homework and submit the work as if it were the product of my own labor.

I understand that the consequences for committing any of the previous acts of academic dishonesty can include a failing grade for the assignment or quiz, failure in the class as a whole and even expulsion from the school. I will not plagiarize or cheat. This policy is applicable in every discipline or class at Ridgefield Christian School, i.e., Spanish, social studies, etc.

Date _____

(Signature) _____

Name (Print Legibly): _____

Faculty Witness (Signature): _____

Faculty Witness Name (Print Legibly): _____

(All faculty witnesses will make a photocopy of each student's signed Honor Code to be kept in his/her file in the office, then return the Academic Handbook with signed Honor Code page to the student for his/her keeping.)