

Lemon Bay High School
Plagiarism Policy Statement

Charlotte County Public Schools take academic honesty very seriously as stated on pages 5-6 of the CCPS Code of Student Conduct where cheating is defined as: “the inappropriate and deliberate distribution or use of information, notes, materials, or work of another person, used as your own, in the completion of an academic exam, test or assignment.”

Lemon Bay High School views plagiarism as one of the most serious forms of cheating. We define plagiarism as “using someone else’s words, ideas or images without giving proper credit or any credit at all to the original writer or artist.” Whether plagiarism is intentional or unintentional, it is a serious offense, and ignorance of the LBHS plagiarism policy is not an acceptable defense against the charge of plagiarism.

The penalty for cheating or plagiarizing at LBHS will be:

VIOLATION	PROCEDURE	RESULTING PENALTY
First Student Offense at LBHS	Teacher calls home and documents the plagiarism on a disciplinary referral.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student will earn a ZERO for the work in question. • The student may be asked to complete the assignment for no more than ½ credit. • Your parent(s) will be notified of the plagiarism/cheating. • A parent conference may be held.
Second Student Offense at LBHS	Teacher calls home and documents the plagiarism on a disciplinary referral.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student will earn a ZERO for the work in question. • The student may be asked to complete the assignment for no more than ½ credit. • Disciplinary consequences such as ISS, OSSA, or Saturday School may be warranted. • A parent conference will be required.
Third Student Offense at LBHS	Teacher calls home and documents the plagiarism on a disciplinary referral.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student will earn a ZERO for the work in question. • The student may be asked to complete the assignment for no more than ½ credit. • Disciplinary consequences such as ISS, OSSA, or Saturday School may be warranted. • A parent conference will be required. • The student will not be permitted to hold office in a club or class and will be ineligible for induction to any honor society or Senior Hall of Fame. • The student violating this policy three times in the same course may receive an “F” and be denied credit for the semester.