
DEFINING AIC VOCABULARY

Academic Integrity Committee Activity: Use this worksheet for your AIC and/or use a flip chart (or SMART Board); designate someone to record notes. Lead the AIC in a discussion on definitions for the following terms, or terms you believe the school community should define as they relate to academic integrity. Discuss whether the AIC recognizes other terms or vocabulary that should be part of its awareness campaign. Compare your consensus definitions to formal published definitions. Publish your consensus definitions for your school in the student handbook, posters, online, or in the student newspaper.

Vocabulary	Published Definitions	Consensus Definition
Cheat	To practice fraud or trickery; to violate rules dishonestly	
Crib sheet	A sheet containing information (as test answers) used secretly for cheating; a written or graphic aid (as a sheet of notes) that can be referred to for help in understanding or remembering something complex	
Fabricate	To make up for the purpose of deception	
Honest	Free from fraud or deception: legitimate, truthful; genuine, real	
Integrity	Firm adherence to a code of especially moral or artistic values: incorruptibility; an unimpaired condition: soundness; the quality or state of being complete or undivided: completeness	
Paraphrasing	A restatement of a text, passage, or work giving the meaning in another form	
Plagiarize	To steal and pass off (the ideas or words of another) as one's own: use (another's production) without crediting the source; to commit literary theft: present as new and original an idea or product derived from an existing source	
Reference/citation	Something (as a sign or indication) that refers a reader or consulter to another source of information (as a book or passage)	

These definitions can be found at Merriam-Webster Online, www.m-w.com.