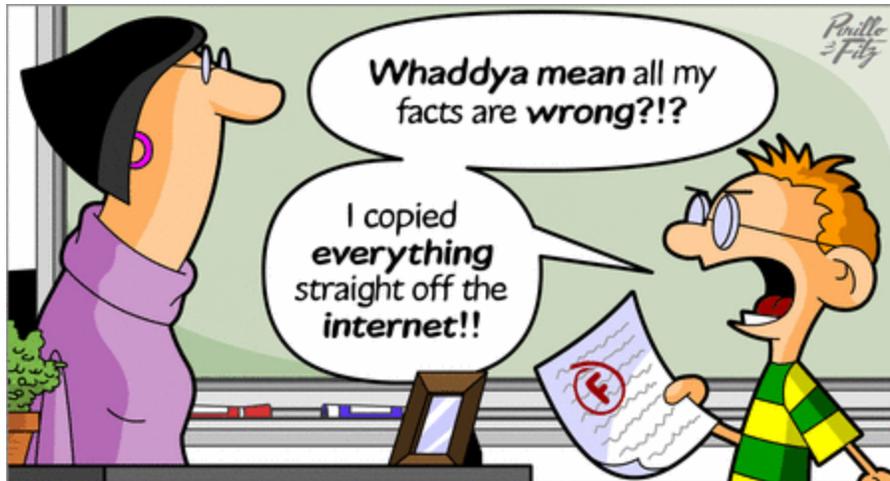




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Pintillo and Pitz Cartoon¹

Plagiarism/Cheating Policy

This policy is designed to promote the academic ethics and integrity of online students at Watertown USD. The information outlined below is intended to provide students with guidelines to exercise judgment, [develop integrity and demonstrate honor](#).

Plagiarism/Cheating includes:

1. **Copying verbatim (word for word) or Paraphrasing (changing to your own words)**, another person's work without: a.) using quotation marks for quotes, b.) properly crediting the source of content or ideas (in-text citation), and c.) listing the sources where one found the quote on the "works cited" page at the end of the assignment. Changing a few words is still plagiarism if it wasn't your original idea.
2. **Using and failing to properly credit** any work or answers that have been written, created, or developed by another person. Using sites like Brainly, Yahoo Answers, eNotes, Quora, or any of the other sites that answer student questions almost never properly answer the questions being asked in your assignments as they do not use the material from the course. You will receive a zero for these responses.
3. **Using artwork or pictures without proper citation**. Students may not use work created by another person, without proper citation.
4. **Copying and Pasting** directly from the lesson. If you use Control-C Control-V, make sure you are submitting your work.

¹ Pintillo and Pitz [Cartoon]. (n.d.). Retrieved April 3, 2019, from <https://technofaq.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Plagiarism.gif>



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Consequences of Cheating/Plagiarism:

According to the eCampus code of conduct, students engaging in plagiarism or cheating are subject to some or all of the following consequences at the discretion of the teacher and administration.

1. A zero on the assignment
2. Referral to the office
3. Parent Notification
4. A meeting with the principal, guidance counselor, and parents
5. Consideration for removal from online learning opportunities.

What difference does it make, really?

Honesty is the first chapter in the book of Wisdom.

- Thomas Jefferson

To make your children capable of honesty is the beginning of education.

- John Ruskin

Character is like a tree and reputation like a shadow. The shadow is what we think of it; the tree is the real thing.

- Abraham Lincoln

Real integrity is doing the right thing, knowing that nobody is going to know whether you did it or not.

- Oprah Winfrey

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