

## **Academic Honesty Policy**

### **What is Academic Honesty and why should we be concerned about it?**

We value academic honesty because it is consistent with what we believe and do as a school. We believe in the importance of doing our own work to the best of our knowledge and ability. We value the life lessons that authentic work can teach us. Although grades may be important indicators of student success, we believe the greater goal is to learn how to learn.

We are confident that PHHS scholars will be leaders of the future, locally, nationally and globally. We want to ensure that the knowledge that they create, communicate, claim, and share is honestly acquired and properly credited, cited, and sourced.

### **What is my role in maintaining academic honesty?**

1. Know and understand the [PHHS Academic Honesty Policy](#)
2. Follow deadlines for research that my teacher gives me so that I can avoid plagiarism and academic misconduct.
3. **Advice for students regarding academic honesty**
  - a. **Ask yourself:**
    - i. Do you understand the assignment/what you are being asked to do?
    - ii. Are you completing all assignments and assessments honestly in all of your classes and for all of your academic work?
    - iii. Are you using feedback from your teacher to help you fulfill the Academic Honesty Policy?
  - b. **Seek help:**
    - i. If it feels wrong, it probably is. Seek help if you have a gut feeling.
    - ii. Ask, ask and ask again!
      1. Who to ask - Patrick Henry staff is here to help!
        - a. Teachers
          - i. Understanding assignment/what you are being asked to do
          - ii. How to use sources within an assignment
          - iii. What sources are appropriate to use
          - iv. How to cite sources (in text, footnotes, etc.)
        - b. Program Coordinators
        - c. Advisory Teacher
        - d. Media Specialist
        - e. Administration, Counselors, Support Staff

## ***Patrick Henry Honor Code***

You should be able to add this sentence to the end of your work before you hand it in to your teacher:

“On my honor, I have neither given nor received any unauthorized aid on this assessment. This assessment is my original, authentic academic work.”