

Honor Code and Recovery Policies

Based on department feedback collected throughout the 2013-14 school year, the following policies were developed for the 2014-15 school year and beyond.

To further the goals of the North Springs Charter High School Strategic Plan to provide students with access to customized learning, students do not have permission to fail. As a community of educators who understand that a grade of zero can devastate a student's ability to demonstrate content knowledge through the earned grade, the teachers at North Springs will customize student learning by allowing students to redo assignments and recover from failing grades.

Honor Code

As a community that values academic honesty and seeks to provide the highest levels of learning for students, the North Springs administration, faculty, parents, and students do not tolerate cheating.

As stated in Fulton County Board of Education Policy, cheating includes:

- Copying or borrowing from another source and submitting it as one's own work – including plagiarizing sources from the internet
- Seeking or accepting unauthorized assistance from anyone on tests, projects, or other assignments
- Providing or receiving test questions in advance without permission
- Working collaboratively with other students when individual work is expected – including homework
- Other offenses as determined by administration

Consequences in all classes for copying, plagiarism on a research paper or project; receiving or giving answers during a test or quiz, providing answers on an assignment which should have been completed by an individual student:

First offense – zero on the assignment; parent notification; teacher requires assignment completion for 50%; assignments not redone will remain a zero

Second offense – zero on the assignment; parent notification

Third and further offenses – zero on the assignment; parent notification; disciplinary referral to administrator

Consequences will be applied if cheating occurs on any work submitted by a North Springs student in an event, competition, or contest in which he represents the school system.

Additional possible consequences may include exclusion from interscholastic activities and extracurricular activities, as determined by the administrator.

Recovery Policy

Teachers will offer remediation assignments and/or remediation (help) sessions and/or individual remediation sessions for students who fail to meet the objectives of the standards covered in the curriculum.

Students may request to redo missing work or work which resulted in a zero, **within the six weeks in which the assignment occurred, but no later than two weeks before the semester**. Teachers may extend the time period allowed based on extenuating student and/or teacher circumstances. After the student has completed/redone all work, resulting in no recorded zeroes, if the student's CUMULATIVE average is below a 70%, the student may request a teacher determined recovery assignment designed to bring the student's CUMULATIVE average to a maximum 70%.

I have read the North Springs Charter High School Honor Code and Recovery policies. I understand the consequences of an honor code violation. I understand the process for recovery.

Student Name Printed _____ Student Signature _____