

**Villa Walsh Academy  
455 Western Avenue  
Morristown, NJ 07960**

**HONOR CODE CONTRACT**

The Honor Code at Villa Walsh Academy reflects the school's philosophy of teaching Christianity as a ...way of life permeating values, judgments, and actions...

The Honor Code recognizes that integrity and trustworthy behavior reflect a solid tradition of faith in moral and Christian values. The attitude and spirit of the administration, faculty, and student body activate and empower the Honor Code to support Villa Walsh Academy's rules and regulations.

Honorable behavior based on Christian ethical principles reflects a healthy self-esteem and a genuine concern for others. A Villa Walsh Academy student is expected to demonstrate a moral foundation based on Christian values that enable her to be a responsible member of society. Respect for and adherence to the Honor Code will enhance the Villa Walsh Academy family, not only during those years spent at the Academy, but also throughout life.

**HONOR CODE INFRACTIONS**

Cheating during any testing situation and plagiarizing in any class assignments are considered serious offenses. Plagiarism is defined as copying the language or thought of another and passing it off as one's own. Whether it be through copying or paraphrasing, plagiarism is theft of another's intellectual property. If a student copies the language of thoughts of someone else, she must use quotation marks and credit the quote, in either the body of the paper or in a footnote. All copied or paraphrased passages must be credited, regardless of length.

A student found cheating in any manner (either giving or receiving information) will automatically receive a zero and will not be permitted to finish a test or quiz. Any student found guilty of plagiarizing on research or term papers will receive a zero.

If any student is guilty of cheating, stealing, or plagiarizing, the teacher will notify the Principal and the parents. The student's status at the Academy will be in jeopardy.

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*I have been informed of the seriousness of the above stated contract and have a clear understanding of the Villa Walsh Academy Honor Code in its entirety. I pledge my total commitment and compliance.*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*I have discussed the Villa Walsh Academy Honor Code with my daughter, and verify that she understands her responsibilities regarding honest scholarship and behavior based on Christian ethical principles.*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_