

At Royal Ontario Academy (ROA), we are committed to creating a community that values integrity, honesty, and ethical conduct among all students, faculty, and staff.

Honesty in Academic Work

- Students are expected to complete and submit their own work with originality.
- Acts of plagiarism, cheating, and other forms of academic dishonesty are strictly prohibited.

Proper Citation Practices

- All academic work must include proper citations.
- Students should follow the referencing styles as directed by their courses.

Collaboration Guidelines

- Collaboration on projects must receive prior approval from instructors.
- Each contributor's role must be clearly identified, with appropriate credit given.

Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) Tools

Detailed guidance on the approved, cited use of AI tools in academic work is set out in the Cheating and Plagiarism Policy, since undisclosed or unapproved AI use is treated as a form of academic dishonesty.

Consequences for Breaches of Integrity

Violations of this policy are addressed under the proportionate, case-by-case process set out in the Cheating and Plagiarism Policy, which may include redoing work, a follow-up interview, parent or guardian contact, a Learning Skills notation, or administrative action for severe or repeated cases.

Acknowledgment

By enrolling at ROA, all students, faculty, and staff commit to upholding this policy and contributing to a culture of trust, respect, and ethical behaviour within the academy.

This policy is reviewed periodically to ensure clarity, fairness, and alignment with Ontario Ministry of Education requirements and ROA operational needs, and is updated as needed. Final decisions on interpretation and application rest with the Principal. Questions may be directed to Royal Ontario Academy at info@royalontarioacademy.com. Last updated July 2026.