



## ACADEMIC HONESTY

The International School of Poznan puts special emphasis on honesty in performing academic work and fair attitude. We have a strong policy against students violating rules of ethical academic work and fairness on each level of education of the school.

The school outlined and adopted the guidelines for ensuring academic integrity within the IB publications: *“Academic Honesty in the IB educational context”* (upd.2016), *“Academic Honesty in the Diploma Programme”*, *“The IB Learner Profile”* (2017), *“The responsibilities of IB World Schools in ensuring the integrity of IB assessments”* (2017). The school academic honesty policy, approved with unanimous consent by the Faculty Board, evolve from careful deliberation of the earlier mentioned documents.

All DP students, on entering the programme, are acquainted with the academic honesty principles by the IB DP coordinator, and acknowledge in writing their full understanding of what is considered academic honesty violation. Their parents/legal guardians are also required to make familiar with all regulations concerning the principles of the DP (IB and school documents) and must confirm it with their signature. Moreover, the school uses the Turn-it-in programme (plagiarism detection software) and DP students are required to submit an electronic version of their assessment material at the teacher’s request.

As the school strongly advocates the academic honesty policy, the students of PYP and Middle School are familiarized with the rules. For the needs of PYP and Middle School students, homeroom/subject teachers provide explanations of academic integrity policy and procedures for dealing with alleged academic dishonesty. Individual subject teachers discuss and review the issue of academic dishonesty in their classrooms with special regards to avoiding the risk of plagiarism.

Any act of malpractice and unethical behavior (which include among others: plagiarism, duplication work, various forms of cheating) detected on any educational level of the school, will not be tolerated and will generate sanctions. Each case of suspected unethical behavior is investigated and dealt with individually and may result in consequences such as e.g.: a confrontation and a talk to a student, information to parents/legal guardians, a letter of reprimand, a reduced/failing grade, a defined period of probation, etc. or, in the most serious cases, an exclusion from the school. Each time the specific programme coordinator will be informed about a student’s alleged breach of academic honesty.