Honor Code

Cosumnes River College’s Honor Code serves as a bridge between the catalog’s formal treatment of academic integrity and the day-to-day decisions of the members of our academic community. Its focus is on core academic values, the appropriate expression of those values in behavior, and the way those values create and sustain our academic community. It is intended as a straightforward tool for communicating and clarifying the college’s fundamental expectations. It is also intended to be used frequently and easily.

Suggested Honor Code Uses

- As a syllabic supplement
- In conjunction with major assignments
- In conjunction with field trips/special events
- As a classroom management tool
- As documentation in the context of:
  - Referrals for 'Student Code of Conduct' violations
  - Grievance processes
  - Student disciplinary appeal processes

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I understand that Cosumnes River College (CRC) values academic integrity. Academic integrity requires:

**Honesty**, which means:
- A commitment to truthfulness
- The refusal to steal or mislead, cheat or plagiarize

**Fairness**, which means:
- The willingness to treat others as I would wish to be treated upon careful consideration

**Respect**, which means valuing, in attitude and practice:
- All human beings
- Myself
- My community at CRC and beyond

**Responsibility**, which means:
- Recognizing that the quality of a CRC education and the quality of the CRC student experience depend upon my behavior
- Accepting, at all times, the consequences of my actions

I understand that I, as a member of the Cosumnes River College community, am responsible for upholding this value, supporting academic quality, academic rigor, and an appropriate college atmosphere.

*This code is modeled after that of Santa Monica Community College, Santa Monica, California.*