

 *Plagiarism and Cheating Policy*

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**Rationale**

InspirED PD wants to support students in creating original ideas and explore own capacity for learning. When a student use’s another person’s (peer or someone external to the school) thoughts or ideas, that student is not engaging in their learning. InspirED PD has adopted the following policy:

* Plagiarism and/or cheating is not allowed under any circumstances at any point within a learning journey
* The severity of any such action and other factors involved will impact the disciplinary response from InspirED PD
* The disciplinary actions may include, but be restricted to;
* A lesson on what plagiarism/cheating is to build awareness
* Discussion with parents or carers
* Meeting with the Director or other senior members of staff
* Automatic withdrawal of assessed work in question
* Removal from the class
* Re-sit of assessment in question

**Plagiarism definition**

Plagiarism consists of using ideas, thoughts, or words (phrases or sentences) that are someone else’ without given documented credit to that person.