

2009 Academic Integrity Survey

Each summer, the entering first year class is asked to complete a tutorial about the Honor Code in ANGEL. At the same time, they are asked to complete a survey about their academic integrity experiences in high school. While their completion of the tutorial is monitored, responses to the survey are anonymous and therefore cannot be tracked. **Just under 300 students out of the class of 2013 responded to the survey questions.** Their responses are summarized below.

- 1. Did you have an honor code in your high school? (Responses: 276)**
 - 176 – Yes
 - 100 – No

- 2. Did you ever witness cheating in your high school? (Responses: 276)**
 - 24 – Never
 - 32 – Once
 - 220 – More than once

- 3. In what context did you witness cheating? (Check all that apply) (Responses: 835)**
 - 209 – Witnessed cheating on a test
 - 69 – Witnessed cheating on a midterm or final examination
 - 210 – Witnessed cheating on a homework assignment
 - 75 – Witnessed plagiarism of a research paper
 - 183 – Witnessed students working together when instructed to work alone
 - 89 – Witnessed students fabricating data in a lab setting

- 4. Have you ever reported another student you suspected of cheating? (Responses: 276)**
 - 47 – Yes
 - 229 – No

- 5. Have you ever interrupted a student who was cheating? (Responses: 256)**
 - 113 – Never
 - 70 – Once
 - 73 – More than once

- 6. Did you ever cheat during high school? (Responses: 276)**
 - 126 – Never
 - 78 – Once
 - 72 – More than once

- 7. If you did cheat, in what context? (Check all that apply) (Responses: 281)**
 - 45 – Cheated on a test
 - 11 – Cheated on a midterm or final examination
 - 3 – Plagiarized a research paper
 - 105 – Cheated on a homework assignment
 - 89 – Worked with another student when instructed to work alone
 - 28 – Fabricated data in a lab setting

8. Have you ever done the following in high school? (Check all that apply) (Responses: 324)

- 9 – Forged a teacher’s signature (i.e. on a hall pass)
- 63 – Forged a parental signature (i.e. for an absence excuse, late slip, or permission slip)
- 17 – Signed in the role call for another student who missed class
- 32 – Falsified data for a lab experiment
- 6 – Faked a lab experiment completely
- 32 – Lied to protect another student who had cheated
- 165 – None of the above

9. Which of the following actions do you consider to be dishonest? (Responses: 3486)

- 266 – Forging a teacher’s signature
- 241 – Forging a parent’s signature
- 231 – Cheating on a homework assignment
- 270 – Cheating on a test
- 274 – Cheating on a midterm or final examination
- 237 – Fabricating lab data
- 265 – Completely faking a lab experiment
- 274 – Plagiarizing a paper or other written assignment
- 206 – Working with another student on an assignment when instructed to work alone
- 248 – Signing in the role call for another student who missed class
- 225 – Lying to protect another student
- 248 – Lying about why you were late with an assignment
- 254 – Lying about why you didn’t complete an assignment
- 247 – Lying about why you were absent

For items 10-23, please evaluate how dishonest you think each action is based on the options given (very dishonest, dishonest but I do it anyway, and not dishonest).

10. Forging a teacher’s signature (Responses: 276)

- 261 – Very dishonest
- 11 – Dishonest, but I do it anyway
- 4 – Not dishonest

11. Forging an administrator’s signature (Responses: 274)

- 267 – Very dishonest
- 4 – Dishonest, but I do it anyway
- 3 – Not dishonest

12. Cheating on a homework assignment (Responses: 271)

- 151 – Very dishonest
- 115 – Dishonest, but I do it anyway
- 10 – Not dishonest

13. Cheating on a test (Responses: 276)

- 258 – Very dishonest
- 17 – Dishonest, but I do it anyway
- 1 – Not dishonest

14. Cheating on a midterm or final examination (Responses: 275)

- 270 – Very dishonest
- 5 – Dishonest, but I do it anyway
- 0 – Not dishonest

15. Fabricating lab data (Responses: 275)

- 209 – Very dishonest
- 52 – Dishonest, but I do it anyway
- 14 – Not dishonest

16. Completely faking a lab experiment (Responses: 275)

- 256 – Very dishonest
- 14 – Dishonest, but I do it anyway
- 5 – Not dishonest

17. Plagiarizing a paper or written assignment (Responses: 274)

- 274 – Very dishonest
- 0 – Dishonest, but I do it anyway
- 0 – Not dishonest

18. Working with another student when instructed to work alone (Responses: 276)

- 137 – Very dishonest
- 108 – Dishonest, but I do it anyway
- 31 – Not dishonest

19. Signing in for another student who missed class (Responses: 275)

- 217 – Very dishonest
- 46 – Dishonest, but I do it anyway
- 12 – Not dishonest

20. Lying to protect another student (Responses: 275)

- 175 – Very dishonest
- 80 – Dishonest, but I do it anyway
- 20 – Not dishonest

21. Lying to get an extension on an assignment (Responses: 275)

- 222 – Very dishonest
- 49 – Dishonest, but I do it anyway
- 4 – Not dishonest

22. Lying about why you turned in an assignment late (Responses: 275)

- 201 – Very dishonest
- 71 – Dishonest, but I do it anyway
- 3 – Not dishonest

23. Lying about why you were absent (Responses: 276)

- 196 – Very dishonest
- 73 – Dishonest, but I do it anyway
- 7 – Not dishonest

24. What other types of cheating or dishonesty did you witness or participate in during high school that has not been asked about in this survey?

- Cheating at games in classes
- Talking about an assignment when teacher leaves the room
- Unauthorized aid during tests (notes/cheat sheets) (6)
- Using Cliff Notes or Spark Notes instead of completing reading assignments (5)
- Copying other students' homework (2)
- Texting other students answers during exams (2)
- Sharing extra credit assignments to earn extra points
- Stealing other students' property (4)
- Seeking answers from students who took the exam in an earlier class (7)
- Stealing tests in advance to study answers
- Skipping class to avoid turning in assignments
- Lying/cheating during games/activities in gym class (2)
- Turning in another student's work as one's own (7)
- Photocopying/stealing teacher's exam guide (2)
- Paying people to do work (2)
- Recycling assignments for more than one class
- Passing on tests and study guides from previous years
- Parents consenting to forging of their signatures
- Use of online language translators for foreign language courses
- Passing notes
- Looking online for answer keys for textbooks
- Lying about absences
- Lying about not cheating/blaming others (3)
- Falsifying lab data (2)
- Cheating on take home exams
- Exchanging exams in restroom during exam
- Stealing exams from photocopier
- Students not pulling their own weight for group projects