Church Educational System Honor Code

Brigham Young University and other Church Educational System institutions exist to provide an education in an atmosphere consistent with the ideals and principles of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. That atmosphere is created and preserved by a community of faculty, administration, staff, and students who voluntarily commit to conduct their lives in accordance with the principles of the gospel of Jesus Christ and who strive to maintain the highest standards in their personal conduct regarding honor, integrity, morality, and consideration of others. By accepting appointment, continuing in employment, being admitted, or continuing class enrollment, each member of the BYU community personally commits to observe these Honor Code standards approved by the Board of Trustees “at all times and in all things, and in all places” (Mosiah 18:9):

- Be honest.
- Live a chaste and virtuous life, including abstaining from any sexual relations outside a marriage between a man and a woman.
- Respect others, including the avoidance of profane and vulgar language.
- Obey the law and follow campus policies.
- Abstain from alcoholic beverages, tobacco, tea, coffee, vaping, and substance abuse.
- Participate regularly in Church services (required only of Church members).
- Observe Brigham Young University’s [Dress and Grooming Standards](#).
- Encourage others in their commitment to comply with the Honor Code.

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**PRIOR VERSION:** 9 Nov 2015

**APPLICABILITY:** All members of the university community

**POLICY OWNER:** Academic Vice President (for faculty), Administrative Vice President / Chief Financial Officer (for personnel), and Student Life Vice President (for students)

**RESPONSIBLE OFFICE:** Employee Relations (for personnel), Honor Code Office (for students), and Office of the Associate Academic Vice President—Faculty Relations (for faculty)

**RELATED POLICIES:**
- [Dress and Grooming Standards](#)
- [Honor Code Investigation and Administrative Review Process](#)