

Declaration of Compliance with IB Regulations on Malpractice

All pupils taking the IB Diploma are subject to the **Diploma Program General Regulations**, which state:

Responsible and Ethical Behaviour

Candidates are required to act in a responsible and ethical manner throughout their participation in the Diploma Program and examination. In particular candidates must avoid any form of malpractice.

The definition of malpractice appears in

The IBO defines malpractice as behaviour that results in, or may result in, the candidate or any other candidate gaining an unfair advantage in one or more assessment components. Malpractice includes:

- a) **plagiarism**: this is defined as the representation of the ideas or work of another person as the candidate's own
- b) **collusion**: this is defined as supporting malpractice by another candidates, as in allowing one's work to be copied or submitted for assessment by another

The consequence of malpractice is presented

If the final award committee decides that a case of malpractice has been established, no grade will be awarded in the subject(s) concerned. No diploma will be awarded to the candidate.

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Plagiarism is recognized worldwide as a serious academic offence. Ignorance of the working definition of plagiarism is not a valid excuse for lapses and does not prevent a penalty for being applied to work submitted as original. In order to prevent any misunderstandings about what constitutes plagiarism, information is being provided to you not only defines plagiarism, but also outlines strategies to prevent it.

Please read the following statements and, if you agree, write your name, sign and date in the spaces provided.

I have received, read, understand and accept the *General Regulations of the IB Diploma Program*.

Parent's/Legal Guardian's Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

I certify that ALL of the following are true:

- 1. I have read and fully understand the definition and consequence of malpractice as presented in this document.**
- 2. I fully understand the definition of plagiarism and fabrication and recognize specifically that it includes copying of assignments, paraphrasing, reusing other student work and related acts.**
- 3. If I am unsure about whether something constitutes plagiarism I will consult my teacher before I turn in the assignment.**
- 4. I have received, read, understand and accept the General regulations of the IB Diploma Program.**

Student's Name: _____

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____