

Joint Resolution No. 8
ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

WHEREAS, incidents relating to student plagiarism and grade tampering are causes of concern to faculty and students; and,

WHEREAS, Oklahoma faculty have observed that the issues of student preparation and academic integrity are closely related; with more students coming to campus without adequate preparation, academic integrity issues are on the increase; and,

WHEREAS, Oklahoma students have observed that plagiarism increase may be linked to increased Internet use and the availability of materials found on the Internet; and,

WHEREAS, an increased focus on academic integrity and the elements of preparation and work ethic are needed to maintain academic standards and the quality and competitiveness of an Oklahoma college degree.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Student Advisory Board and the Faculty Advisory Council to the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education:

1. THAT the State Regents provide a forum through its system of advisory councils to address the academic integrity issue and to pursue possible solutions.
2. THAT the State Regents continue and increase leadership relating to the preparation of K-12 students for college.
3. THAT institutions and student groups should be encouraged to develop codes of ethics and the Faculty Advisory Council and Student Advisory Board should be encouraged to work jointly to develop a model code of ethics.

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