**xF Grade**

The xF grade will replace the normal grade of F that professors give in the class.

The xF grade will be placed on the transcript with a notation at the bottom explaining that it is an F given in the class because of academic misconduct.

- This notation will be viewable by any one.
- If a student successfully appeals the xF grade off his transcript, then all records of it shall be removed.

The grade is appealable, so students will have a chance to get it removed from their transcript.

The xF grade will be given for 6 month or 1 year.

- The period of time will be determined by the severity of the offense:
  - Cheating on an assignment worth 15% or less of the student’s total grade in the class will result in an xF grade for 6 month.
  - Cheating on an assignment worth more than 15% of the student’s total grade will result in an xF grade for 1 year.
- After this period of time has elapsed, the student can appeal the grade to try to have it reduced from an xF to an F.
  - If a student successfully appeals his grade, there will be no longer be a notation on his transcript about his academic misconduct.
- In order to appeal the grade, the student must complete 2 things:
  - He must first pass an online integrity quiz. Passing is defined as 80% or higher.
  - He must then write an essay about “How Cheating hurts Society.”
    - This essay will be reviewed by the Honor Council and the office of the Provost.
    - If it is deemed satisfactory, then the student’s xF grade will be reduced to a normal F.
    - If it is deemed **unsatisfactory**, the xF grade will remain on the student’s transcript forever, or until his records are lost in the sands of time.
- As stated earlier, if the student successfully appeals the grade, all records of the xF grade shall be removed from his transcript. If, however, he fails to satisfy the ‘reviewing board,’ then the appeal shall be denied and the xF grade shall remain on his transcript.