

Academic Integrity is being honest with your work

More than that--

It means being okay with answering a question on the test

Without having the urge to sneak a glance at your neighbor's answers

Even when you are not exactly sure if what you selected was the right answer.

It means writing your own research papers,

But at the same time, giving credit to whom credit is due.

It means believing in your own abilities---

Recognizing your strengths and shortcomings

Understanding that your world won't crumble

Because of a bad grade.

Academic Integrity should be what pushes you

To work harder and smarter

To form your own independent answers

Without having to rely on your friends or your neighbors.

Academic Integrity should be held like a mirror

That reminds you of the person that you are

And prevents you from lying to yourself and to others.