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The Kansas State University junior was desperate. Already on academic probation after stumbling through a shaky sophomore year while battling a severe disease, he was about to fail the political science for missing two exams. Another F could mean suspension, which would put at risk the college degree hed always counted on. He couldnt take that chance. Instead, he took a different one. Thanks to a part-time job in the universitys information-technology department, the young man a born-and-bred Midwesterner who loved reading and played trumpet in his high school band had access to his professors online grade book. With a few quick keystrokes, he was able to give himself passing scores for the tests he hadnt taken. He wasnt clever enough, though, to cover his tracks. He was soon caught and suspended and has been racked (折磨) with guilt ever since. “ There is no excuse or justification for my actions, ” he wrote to the universitys Honor Council in the wake of the spring 2005 episode. (He prefers to remain anonymous.) The reason for his violation, he added, was simple: “ I did what I did out of panic. ” While this student and his professors say the incident resulted from a momentary lapse in judgment, the sad fact is that, in a broader sense, its hardly an isolated act. Theres plenty to suggest that academic cheating is epidemic in

the country's high schools and colleges. Consider a few examples: nine business students at the University of Maryland caught receiving text-messaged answers on their cell phones during an accounting exam. a Texas teen criminally charged for selling stolen test answers allegedly swiped via a keystroke-decoding device affixed to a teacher's computer to fellow students. seven Kansas State students in one class accused of plagiarizing papers off the Internet. Beyond the anecdotes, experts point to a stream of data—much of it from students themselves—that indicates cheating is rampant. A report last June by Rutgers University professor Donald McCabe for The Center for Academic Integrity showed 70 percent of students at 60 colleges admitting to some cheating within the previous year. one in four admitted to engaging in serious cheating (copying from another student, using concealed notes, or helping someone else cheat). McCabes high school findings were similarly grim: Of 18,000 high school students surveyed across the country over the past four years, 70 percent of those in public schools admitted to at least one case of serious test cheating. about six in ten admitted to some form of plagiarism. Just under half of all private school students acknowledged similar lapses.

Unit 1 A recent Gallup survey reinforced those findings. Polling one group of 13 to 17 year olds in 2003 and another in 2004, Gallup reported that 65 percent cited “ a great deal ” or a “ fair amount ” of cheating in their schools. About half said they'd cheated on a test themselves at some point. Also in 2004, the Josephson Institute of Ethics—a Los Angeles nonprofit aimed at boosting personal and organizational ethics—released the

result of a survey of 24,763 high school students: 62 percent admitted cheating on exams. Cheating isn't new. As long as there have been rules, there have been people intent on breaking them. What's alarming now, says Institute founder Michael Josephson, is how widespread and rampant the practice has become. " People who cheated were in the minority, and they kept it a secret, even from their friends, " he says. " Now they are the majority, and they are bold about it. Today, if you ask kids about cheating, you will get such cavalier (骑士) attitudes that the statistics are almost secondary. "

Kansas State professor Phil Anderson agrees: " Many of our students have the attitude of ' I'll do whatever I have to do to get ahead. It's endemic (普遍的). " Success at Any Cost

Josephson, Anderson and others concerned with the issue say two factors are behind the erosion in ethics. First, advances in technology chiefly the Internet and portable digital devices have made cheating easier. A bigger factor, though, is the way bad behavior across society ballplayers popping steroids, business executives cooking corporate books, journalists fabricating quotes, even teachers faking test scores to make schools look good signals that nothing is out of bounds when success is at stake. Says David Callahan, author of *The Cheating Culture*: " It's the normalization of cheating. Everybody's doing it. And if you don't, you feel like a chump. " The pressure to succeed that drives some to cheat starts early, says Tomas Rua, a senior at Friends Seminary, a New York City private school.

" Everything that you do and work for is to maximize your potential, " he says. " And many people feel driven to use any

recourse that they can to get that grade. There is a lot of hysteria about college, and you start hearing about it in the middle school. ” Emily Broerman, a senior at North High School in Evansville, Indiana, echoes Ruas comments: “ I would say that I see cheating every day. You see a lot of ‘ Succeed at any cost. ” Daniel, a student at Turlock High School in Californias Central Valley, certainly takes that attitude: “ If I want to get the better grade, Im going to cheat to get it. No question. Anyway, in the real world you do whatever you have to do to get a better job. ” Daniel says that, like many of his friends, hes lifted material from the Internet and passed it off as his own, received test answers via text messages, and even brought old-fashioned crib sheets in to exams. “ I have cheated since the seventh grade, ” he claims. “ I am competitive, so Im always trying to find a better way of cheating. ” Turlock principal Dana Trevethan says Daniels comments capture the brazen (厚颜无耻的) attitude of some students. “ Hes a good kid, but hes competitive, ” she says. “ And cutthroat should be his middle name. ” An Honest EffortIts not all grim. Some schools have banned cell phones, cameras and other gadgets during school hours. Honor codes have been reinvigorated. And teachers are using technology to turn the tables on cheaters. A number of institutions now rely on turnitin.com, a website that lets teachers check students written work for signs of plagiarism (剽窃). John Barrie, the sites founder, says the company gets more than 50,000 papers per day. About onethird arent original. Perhaps most encouraging is the way some kids are taking a stand against cheaters. Megan Schisser, a senior at Robinson Secondary

School, is one of them. Last spring, after studying intensely for an advanced history final, she was pleased when she got an A. Unfortunately, some students in her class had copied down the questions and sent them to friends who were to take the test later. So everyone had to retake the exam. This time, Megan got a B. She and some friends were so upset, they decided to do something. “ Our purpose was to say that there are those of us who are doing the best we can, and were not cheating, ” she says. “ And it is okay not to cheat. ” The group formed an honor council, and in November introduced a series of schools closed-circuit TV show. Using the Twisted Sister hit “ Were Not Gonna Take It ” as their theme, the spots discuss the importance of honor and end with a simple tagline, “ Robinson Honor Council: Saving Robinson One Cheater At A Time. ” Its a message that could play in classrooms across the country.

1. The young man from Midwest gave himself passing scores by revising information data.
2. It is widely found in Americas high schools and colleges that students cheat to get high scores.
3. A report last June by professor McCabe showed 30 percent of students at 60 colleges acting honestly in their exam.
4. David Callahan says that students who do not cheat in the exam are good.
5. The founder of Institute of Ethics thinks that cheating doesnt bother until it .
6. A student at Friends Seminary says that as early as in the middle school a student may suffer .
7. Daniel reckons it right to cheat for better grades since there are so many in the real life.
8. Many teachers resort to technology to find out whose written work is and whose is not.
9. The most helpful way to prevent students from cheating may lie in

.10. Robinson Honor Council uses the schools facilities to advocate .
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