

TURNITIN *Academic Integrity Software*



Overview

From 2020 onwards, it is strongly recommended that all senior students at Murgon State High School use the online application "Turnitin" for the submission of their assessment pieces. This will create a more unified approach utilising technologies that have become commonplace in TAFE and Universities across Australia, to better prepare our students.

What is Turnitin?

Turnitin is an online application that helps staff and students manage issues related to academic integrity.

Turnitin is used to analyse assessment submissions by providing a text matching system against internet pages, published works, and submitted papers. This includes papers submitted by all students at Murgon State High School and surrounding schools indefinitely. Once an assessment item has been submitted, it produces a report highlighting the amount of text matches it has found and where that information has come from. Turnitin is not able to differentiate between correct quoting acknowledgments and incorrect copying. Therefore the report produced for staff will almost always contain some amount of text matching which staff will review to ensure plagiarism has not taken place.

Turnitin Student Information

From a student's point of view, accessing and using Turnitin is a simple task. Students can access the website at school or home anytime. Once their account has been created, the teacher will then provide students with a unique Class ID and password to enrol. They are then presented with a page to submit their assignment and once they have submitted the file they are emailed a confirmation receipt.

Important Turnitin Information

Below contains a list of important items relating to the use of Turnitin:

- Parents must give consent for students to use this website. If the form is not returned or you do not wish your student to use this application, they will have to print and submit the file physically to the library assessment box
- Only the following files types are accepted for submissions
 - Microsoft Word® (DOC and DOCX), HTML, Plain text (TXT), Rich Text Format (RTF), Portable Document Format (PDF), Powerpoint (PPT)
- Students must submit their assessment item no later then 5.00pm on the due date. Late submissions will not be accepted.
- If there is an issue preventing a student from uploading their own assignment, at the teacher's discretion, the teacher can upload the assignment on their behalf. This must be pre-arranged with the teacher prior to the final deadline.
- It is the student's responsibility to join the classes they are taking each term or semester, once teachers have given them the required information
- Students should ensure that once they have submitted a file, that they have received a submission receipt to their school email address in case of any issues.

For more information about Turnitin please see their website. https://www.turnitin.com/