

# Mackellar Girls Campus Plagiarism Policy

**Plagiarism is defined by the Macquarie dictionary as:**

“...the use or imitation of another’s ideas and manner of expressing them... to be passed off as one’s own work“

**The school defines it as:**

“...any work you put your name to that you did not write. That can be a whole answer or a single sentence or phrase. “

If you copy it from somewhere else and don’t give credit to that author, or use one source and simply re-write the work in your own words, you have committed plagiarism.

Any work that is plagiarised from an un-referenced source will **not be accepted**. If we suspect that your work is not your own, you will be asked to prove that you are the author of the piece of writing.

All research work MUST have a correct bibliography attached.

**Penalties for plagiarism: (Year 7-10)**

- First offence: task returned to the student for re-submission the following school day. It must be completely re-written in your own words.
- Any further acts of plagiarism: **Will receive zero**. The student will receive a warning letter. The task will have to then be completed to the satisfaction of the teacher.

**Penalties for Plagiarism: HSC and Preliminary courses**

- Students may receive 0 marks and an N-Award Warning letter sent home. The task will have to then be completed to the satisfaction of the teacher.
- The task **must be completed** to avoid an N-award in the subject. No marks will be awarded once a late task is completed.