

Maths Talent Quest 2021

Answering your Questions

How do I enter the 2021 Maths Talent Quest?

- Download all relevant Maths Talent Quest documents from the MTQ website:
<https://www.mav.vic.edu.au/Student-activities/Maths-Talent-Quest>
- Read these documents carefully.
- Register your entries online.
- Registration opens 19th April 2021.

When does registration for the 2021 Maths Talent Quest close?

MTQ registration will close on 26th July at 5pm. No late registrations will be accepted.

Can my entries be edited once submitted?

Entries may be edited before payment details have been submitted. Once an entry has been registered and paid for, no changes can be made.

Can student's names be provided at a later date?

Permitting the entry has not already been paid for, yes student names can be submitted at a later date. Student names and project titles must be submitted with the entry registration and payment. No changes can be made once registrations are closed.

When and how do I upload my students' entries?

You will receive an email instructing you how to upload your entries onto a shared drive on Monday 2nd August. Entries must be uploaded by Monday the 9th of August. Your entries should be uploaded and saved with your entry's individual ten-digit number. If your entry has more than one file, please save it as a folder with the entry number as the title.

One of my students has dropped out after registering their entry. Can I get a refund?

Participants who withdraw their entries on or prior to Friday 26th July 2021 will receive a refund less 50% of the entry fee per each entry. Cancellation must be in writing and include any documentation already sent out. No refunds for cancellation can be made after this date.

What is the maximum number of entries a school can register?

A maximum of 6 entries per category, per year level will be accepted for state judging.

Does every entry have to include a separate diary or learning log?

It has been decided that the diary/learning log is not a compulsory component of the MTQ. We do highly recommend however that students provide reflections and evidence that the work completed is their own. Scanned journals or photos are a great way to record this work.

My investigation was not selected for entry into the state competition by my school. Can this same investigation be entered by another school? Can a parent enter an investigation for their student?

No, the school's decision must be respected. Parents and students are welcome to ask their school for feedback and to discuss ways to improve for future years. The school is responsible for selecting the entries to be entered into the state competition. Entries are not accepted direct from parents unless the student is home schooled.

What happens if I have a composite grade?

If you have a composite grade, you have two options:

- Register the entry under the higher year level
- Split the year levels and enter two separate entries

How many students can be involved in an entry?

Individual – One student **Group** – No more than 6 students **Class** – Normal class size

Why do schools have to supply judges?

The MTQ receives hundreds of entries which each need to be judged a minimum of two times. Every school must judge two investigations for every investigation entered. For example, if you have entered 9 entries your school must provide a judge to judge 18 entries. This ensures that each entry is judged efficiently and fairly. Judging is a great professional development idea for all involved.

I have registered as a judge, what happens now?

You will be sent a confirmation email closer to the judging date with further information about what is required. You will be sent a link to the files with the investigations. You are welcome to judge entries anytime during the 16th to the 22nd of August. As judging is online you may judge the entries anywhere, however the Education Centre at MAV will be open 10 am – 4 pm from the 16th – 20th August if you would like to complete the judging there. Judging must be completed by 5pm on the 22nd of August.

My school has only one entry. Do we still have to provide a judge?

Yes, all schools must judge two investigations per entry. This includes regional and Tasmanian schools.

I am an interstate or overseas school, am I required to judge?

Yes, as the competition is now online all interstate and overseas schools are required to judge.



My project includes a model. Will it still be accepted?

All entries must be uploaded online. A photograph of a model is acceptable.

When will I receive my MTQ information package?

Information can be downloaded from the MTQ website. All registered schools will be emailed MTQ information, including entry numbers and uploading details on Monday 2nd August.

If you require any further information on the MTQ, please contact Jen Bowden at jbowden@mav.vic.edu.au

What prizes do the winning entries receive?

State level prizes are awarded to individual, group and class entries, all entries will receive a certificate. One entry from every category in each year level will advance to the National MTQ.