



Dear Parents

Thank you for your interest in our “**Home School Tutoring Program**”. This document includes everything that you will need to know about how we operate and what you can expect going forward. Please note that The Turning Point Education is not a school, we merely facilitate the process of learning for Home School students. It is up to the parents to check their child’s progress.

The Turning Point Education has identified a need for quality education at an affordable price. As a result, we created different tutoring options for parents to choose from.

We tutor students from grades 0 – 12. Students are assured that hard work throughout the year will count positively towards their final results.

The Turning Point Education offers parents three different options to choose from so that you can select the option that best suits your family’s needs.

**Option 1** Individual Tutoring at home

The Turning Point will provide suitable candidates for you to interview. We firmly believe that the relationship between tutor, parent and child is of utmost importance and therefore encourage parents to be a part of the selection process.

The cost is R8500.00 per month, payable over 12 months.

Included in the price is

- 15 hours of private tutoring per week.
  - Usually broken into 3 hours per day, 5 days per week
- Flexibility in allocation of time for each subjects
- Assistance with submitting of assignments and projects
- Examination invigilation
- You can choose your own curriculum provider

**Option 2** Online Group Tutoring

The Turning Point is cognizant of the fact that budget constraints are a reality and so we have created the option to join online group classes. These will be taught by suitable tutors, selected by The Turning Point.

The cost is R4500.00 per month, payable over 12 months.



#### Included in the Price

- 15 hours of tutoring per week
  - This will be broken up into 3 hours per day, 5 days per week
- Students will follow a set weekly timetable
- Subject specialists will be available to teach different subjects
- Assistance with submitting of assignments and projects
- Examination invigilation
- Parents who select this option will be required to register with Brainline as their curriculum provider

#### **Option 3** Individual Ad Hoc Tutoring

Parents have the option to select individual subjects for tutoring, or only have a tutor when required. The cost of this will be billed according to grade, in line with our extra lesson costs. These are private lessons and can be online or the tutor can come to your home.

#### **IT Requirements for lessons**

Students need to have:

- Access to internet with no less than 10mbps download speed. Students use approximately 500mb of data per day when live streaming lessons, therefore we recommend uncapped internet.
- A desktop or laptop (tablets and phones are not suitable) with a webcam
- A printer and scanner
- MS Teams

The Turning Point Education prides ourselves in giving our students the very best we can offer. We allow for individual attention in lessons, where each student is mentored. We teach examination techniques and study methods to our students. We personally interview all our tutors. They are handpicked, suitably qualified and highly motivated.

“It must be remembered that the purpose of education is not to fill the minds of students with facts... it is to teach them to think, if that is possible, and always to think for themselves.”

**-Robert Hutchins**



### **VENUE AND TIMES:**

All learning will take place in your home. Parents are required to provide a suitable space for learning. A quiet room with a desk and chair is the bare minimum. Extra's like a white board are useful. All IT requirements will need to be provided as well, as listed above. Extra tutoring in most school subjects can be arranged by special request, including Remedial Therapy and Reading Therapy. Please note that this will be at an additional cost.

### **CURRICULUM:**

The Turning Point has traditionally used the Brainline curriculum for all of our students. Brainline is a unique schooling system with the personal computer as its delivery vehicle. Brainline is accredited by the Independent Examinations Board (IEB) and the Department of Education. The curriculum is an online correspondence course.

All students who take part in our online lessons will be required to register with Brainline. Parents need to register their children directly with Brainline. You can choose between the various options available. Brainline complies with all the curriculum requirements of the Department of Education. An excellent team of subject advisors is part of the learning community. They are equipped to provide our learners with support on subject matters via the internet.

Brainline set termly tasks and examinations, which are all uploaded and marked by Brainline. Brainline issue reports directly to the parents after mid-year and end-year examinations. The Turning Point Education does not provide reports. The Turning Point Education will provide a qualified and registered Invigilator for tests and examinations as required by Brainline.

Parents need to check their child's progress to ensure that their projects have been completed and uploaded and to monitor their examination results published on their student profile by Brainline.

Those students who select Option 1 (Private Tutoring at home) can opt to choose their own curriculum provider.

All students need to be registered with a suitable curriculum provider before they will be admitted to The Turning Point Education. For more information on the Brainline curriculum please visit [www.brainline.com](http://www.brainline.com)



### **PARENT'S RESPONSIBILITIES:**

As in all Home Schooling environments, parents remain responsible for their child's education. Certain activities, listed below, are guidelines to help you. Please note that this list is not exhaustive.

- Join a library to allow your child access to reading and research material required for the completion of the syllabus.
- To read all correspondence received from the curriculum provider and ensure that the appropriate action is taken.
- To ensure that their child is taken to any remedial classes required as suggested by the curriculum provider or The Turning Point Education. This will be at the parents own cost.
- Provide stationery and any extra study requirements, text books or tuition for their child.

### **EXTRA MURAL ACTIVITIES:**

The Turning Point Education recognizes the need for a healthy balance of educational support as well as mentally and physically fun activities. We therefore strongly encourage students to take part in whatever extra mural activities they wish to experience. A list of service providers in our area is attached.

We look forward to welcoming your family and helping your child/ children to achieve their full potential.

Kind regards

The Turning Point Team

“The kids in our classroom are infinitely more significant  
than the subject matter we teach.”

**-Meladee McCarty**



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### PRIVATE TUTORING AT HOME

- R8 500 per month, payable over 12 months.

### ONLINE GROUP LESSONS

- R4 500 per month, payable over 12 months.

### AD HOC TUTORING

- Grade 1 – 3 R210 per hour
- Grade 4 – 7 R240 per hour
- Grade 8 – 10 R265 per hour
- Grade 11 & 12 R295 per hour
- Travel R35 per lesson
  - *Please note that the prices quoted for Ad Hoc tutoring are our 2020 prices and are subject to change.*

**\*\* Kindly note: Children enrolling at The Turning Point Education after January are charged a pro rata fee that may differ from the amount stated**

### CURRICULUM FEES

These are payable directly to the curriculum provider and can be found on their websites.



## YEAR CALENDAR 2021

(This is based on the Brainline curriculum. If you choose a different curriculum provider, these dates may differ.)

Term One	Begins: 13 January 2021 Ends: 26 March 2021	Public Holidays: 21 & 22 March 2021
Term Two	Begins: 12 April 2021 Ends: 25 June 2021	Public Holidays: 26 & 27 April 2021 1 May 2021 16 June 2021
Term Three	Begins: 20 July 2021 Ends: 23 September 2021	Public Holidays: 9 August 2021
Term Four	Begins: 11 October 2021 Ends: 3 December 2021	None

**\*Please note that these dates are subject to change.\***

“Let us think of education as the means of developing our greatest abilities, because in each of us there is a private hope and dream, which, fulfilled can be translated into benefit for everyone and greater strength for our nation.”

- **John F. Kennedy**