

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Students must recognize technical education's critical impact on Georgia's overall economic health, must have a strong work ethic, a dedicated sense of loyalty and a healthy enthusiasm for promoting technical education throughout Georgia.
2. Students must be in good standing with their college and free from any academic or other "holds" on their college account. "Good standing" refers to the student's academic standing, conduct, professionalism on campus and in the community and an outstanding member of the community with good moral character. Each college independently determines specific standards for this requirement. "Holds" refer to any Banner or other "holds" such as for outstanding parking tickets, advisement requirements, etc., which keep the student from being in good standing with the college.
3. Students must be currently enrolled during the college nomination, the college level selection process and the state-level activities. Students' graduation date must be after the state competition. If the student graduates after being named the state winner, the student is still responsible for all duties of a state GOAL winner.
4. Students must be enrolled in the same program (as defined by the program's major code) or program group during the college nomination, the college level selection process and the state-level activities (i.e., a student who is currently enrolled in Cosmetology will graduate in December and is continuing her education by going into the Nail Tech certificate program. Since these two programs, cosmetology and nail tech, fall under the same program group, the student is eligible for nomination).
5. The student's overall, cumulative, technical college GPA must be at least a "B" (3.0) average to qualify for nomination and must maintain a "B" (3.0) average throughout state competition. The student's Work Ethics average grade must be at least a "2" to qualify for nomination.
6. Students must have completed at least 12 semester hours at the nominating technical college or at the nominating University System technical division at the time of nomination (as verified by the official transcript submitted to the TCSG office on Feb. 3). Note: If they have 12 hours from a previous semester and are only taking one class this semester, they are eligible to be nominated. (Developmental hours are not counted in the 12 hours because they do not result in a cumulative GPA.)
7. Full-time employees of the college or any system office employees are not eligible to participate in the GOAL program.
8. Students who otherwise meet eligibility requirements and who are working part-time (20 hours or less) as work study, lab assistants and tutors or students participating in internships are eligible to participate in the GOAL program.
9. Students must fully disclose all prior convictions (regardless of when they occurred) excluding minor traffic violations. Failure to comply may result in disqualification.