



STAR STUDENT---Student Guidelines and Qualifications

STAR student nominees must satisfy all of the following requirements:

1. Be a **legally enrolled senior** in an accredited Georgia public or private high school. The school must be accredited by the Georgia Accrediting Commission (GAC), Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) and/or the Georgia Private School Accreditation Council (GAPSAC).
 - A legally enrolled senior is a student who has registered – and been accepted – as a student in the school and will graduate with the 2024 senior class. Seniors who are jointly enrolled in high school and college are eligible for STAR honors if all other requirements are met. (College and high school grades are averaged to determine rank.)
 - Seniors who complete graduation requirements prior to the end of the school year and who will graduate with the current year's graduating class are eligible for STAR honors if they meet other requirements.
 - **NOTE:** The STAR Program is designed to recognize high school seniors who have the highest SAT score in their graduating class and meet all the other program requirements. How many classes a student takes off campus or how involved the student is with extra-curricular activities at the school are irrelevant in determining the STAR Student.
2. **Take the two-part SAT any year on any national testing date through and including the November test date. Important: November 2, 2024 is the last acceptable SAT test date for the 2025 PAGE STAR program.**
3. Score highest **on a single test** date (scores may **not** be combined from two or more test dates). Nominees' SAT scores must be equal to or higher than the SAT national average score on Evidence Based Reading, Writing and Math sections. The scores for 2023 were: **Evidence Based Reading & Writing 529 and Math 520.**
4. At the end of Junior year, be in the **top 10 percent or be among the top 10 students numerically**, whichever category provides the largest number of eligible students in the school. A student must meet the "top 10" requirement based on cumulative high school (grades 9 through 11) grade average numerically computed by utilizing the system normally utilized by the school. Calculation should be on cumulative grades through the junior year. **If the student with the highest SAT score does not** meet the top 10 criterion, the student with the **next highest SAT score who does meet the criterion** becomes the nominee.
5. **Ties** at the high school, system and region levels are permitted. For example, if two or more students in a high school, system or region have identical SAT scores and meet all other requirements, all are STAR Students for that school, system or region.