



Dear 2023 Regional Competition Winner,

Congratulations on winning first place in your regional competition. You are now on your way to the state competition. Due to unforeseen circumstances, the competition will not be held at Kennesaw State University. The Georgia Student Technology Competition will be held in Cumming, GA, which is 15 minutes farther north than KSU. Visit www.gastc.org/students for up-to-date information about the competition, including directions to the event and hotel information.

Regional Directors will register students for the state competition and information will be posted on the website by February 7. **IT IS IMPORTANT** that you check www.gastc.org/students and report any problems, such as misspelled names, incorrect grade levels, incorrect partner information, and incorrect project category. Changes cannot be made if issues are not reported immediately. You **MAY NOT** change your project's category from that in which it won in regional.

Specific information for this year's competition will be posted on the website beginning in mid-February. Below is a list of things **YOU MUST DO** to participate in the state competition. Failure to complete the items below will result in disqualification.

- Visit www.gastc.org/students for updates and read all rules and expectations for students.
- Download the Student form(s), fill it out and bring it to the Tech Competition. If you do not have the form filled out on the day of the Competition, you will **NOT** be judged.
- Written permissions for all non-student created content. See website for templates.
- Bring your own device and power strip if you need more than one outlet.
- If possible, bring an offline copy of your project.

Guest WiFi is provided. If issues arise and an offline copy of the project is not available, judges will not be able to judge the project. In such cases, the Georgia Student Technology Competition bears no responsibility for the lack of access.

The doors will open at 7:30 AM on Saturday. Scheduled judging times will be posted on the website at least **1 week** before the event. Check the website often for updates and possible early posting of times. **ALL** projects will be judged at the event with at least one of the project's original students.

Plan to arrive at the event at least one hour prior to your assigned judging time or by noon, whichever comes first. **You must check in at the Registration area before going to your judging area.** You must be in your judging area at least thirty minutes prior to your judging time.

Only students and event staff are permitted inside the judging areas during the competition. You will be responsible for security for your own equipment. Regardless of the rules of your regional competition, the Georgia Student Technology Competition operates under the rules and guidelines of the GaSTC as posted on the website.

If you are unable to attend the state competition, please email the registrar at richard.free@heard.k12.ga.us as soon as possible and let us know to help with our planning.

We are looking forward to seeing some fantastic projects this year!

Tom Lamb, Chair

Aaron Griffin, Associate Chair