

THE GEORGE S. NEATH 1ST CHOICE TECHNICAL GROUP SCHOLARSHIP
2009 INSTRUCTIONS & APPLICATION FORM



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM OVERVIEW:

The purpose of the ***George S. Neath 1st Choice Technical Group Scholarship*** is to reward academic excellence and provide a financial incentive for students working towards the completion of a degree or diploma in one of the following fields of study:

- Industrial Systems / Applied Manufacturing
- Electronics / Industrial Electrical Technology
- Electronics Engineering Technology / Electromechanical Engineering Technology (and related areas of instruction)

The scholarship is specifically intended for students beginning their 3rd semester in one of the above named degree/diploma programs who have maintained a 2.5 GPA at the completion of their first year.

The scholarship is funded through donations from ***Technical Laboratory Associates, Inc.*** (Roswell, Georgia) and the FESTO Corporation in honor of the late George S. Neath. Mr. Neath created 1st Choice Technical Group in 1991 to provide quality training programs to Georgia's Technical Schools. Over the years, Mr. Neath created a bond of trust with instructors, and worked for the betterment of all of Georgia's Technical Colleges.

PROGRAM AWARDS:

Three scholarships will be awarded annually. Each ***George S. Neath 1st Choice Scholar*** will receive a one-time scholarship of \$500.00.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

The target audience for the ***George S. Neath 1st Choice Technical Group Scholarship*** is students who:

- Are working towards a diploma or degree in one of the following fields of study:
 - Industrial Systems / Applied Manufacturing
 - Electronics / Industrial Electrical Technology
 - Electronics Engineering Technology / Electromechanical Engineering Technology (and related areas of instruction)
- Have maintained a GPA of 2.50 (based on a four-point system) through the first two semesters of their program from a technical college in the Technical College System of Georgia
- Are enrolled as a fulltime student (12 credit hours or more)

Note: Special consideration will be given to veterans/military men and women.

RESTRICTIONS FOR USE:

- The scholarship award of \$500.00 will be sent to the recipient's Financial Aid Office for disbursement. The students will have access to a \$500 line of credit placed in their account.
- The scholarship's use is restricted to tuition, fees, books or program specific materials & supplies. The scholarship award is intended to pick up where other awards leave off to cover expenses associated with the cost of attendance.
- The recipient must maintain a full-time schedule of 12 credit hours during the awarded semester.

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To APPLY:

Students may apply by completing The George S. Neath 1st Choice Technical Group Scholarship application form. The deadline for receipt of all materials is May 1, 2009.

In addition to the completed application form, applicants must submit:

- An official copy of applicant's transcript from the most current academic term. Transcripts **MUST** be submitted in a sealed envelope. The transcript may be included with the completed application or sent directly to the TCSG Foundation Office at the address listed below.
- A typed, double-spaced, one-page essay (300 words or less) about why they should receive the scholarship and how it will aid them in completing their technical education. Applicants may include information about why they have chosen their field of study as their career goal. Other information may be included such as community involvement or background about their personal circumstances that are relevant to the selection process.
- Two letters of recommendation: (1) one from an advisor, staff member or associate on their behalf and (2) one from an instructor in the applicant's program of study. The recommendation letters should come from persons who are familiar with the applicant's academic achievement and work ethics. The recommendation letters should include: (a) the recommender's relationship with the applicant, (b) how long they have known the applicant, and (c) why they are recommending the applicant for receipt of this scholarship award. Each letter **MUST** be submitted in a sealed envelope along with the student's application form.

NOTE: An application will be considered incomplete and not reviewed for consideration if the transcript or letters of recommendation are missing from the applicant's final package.

Application materials (with the exception of the transcript) may be e-mailed to Beverly E. Smith at besmith@tcsge.edu or sent via U.S. Mail to:

The George S. Neath 1st Choice Technical Group Scholarship
Attention: Mrs. Beverly E. Smith, Executive Director – Stewardship & Development
Technical College System of Georgia
1800 Century Place – Suite 575
Atlanta, Georgia 30345-4304

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Name: _____ Date: _____

Technical College Attending: _____

Major: _____ *GPA: _____

Mailing Address: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Emergency Contact Name & Phone Number: _____

Member of the Military (*check one*): Yes No

If yes, to which military branch do you belong and when does your tour of duty end: _____

Military Veteran (*check one*): Yes No

If yes, to which military branch did you belong and when did you finish your service: _____

Names/Titles of those persons who will be submitting letters of recommendation for applicant:

(1) _____

(2) _____

Along with this application, please do not forget to submit:

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Additionally: Please ensure that the TCSG Foundation office receives an official copy of the transcript from your most current academic term. Transcripts **MUST** be submitted in a sealed envelope. It may be included with the completed application or sent directly to the TCSG Foundation Office to the attention of Mrs. Beverly Smith at 1800 Century Place – Suite 575 Atlanta, Georgia 30345-4304

Signature of Applicant

Date