

**CAREER READY**

# Diploma Seals



Career Ready Diploma Seals are awarded to graduating high school students who complete a series of accomplishments as outlined and engage in activities, courses, and experiences that foster career readiness. The diploma seal is a signal to employers that a student is prepared to participate in the workforce.

## EMPLOYABILITY/SOFT SKILLS SEAL

Awarded to high school graduates who:

- Complete an Employability Skills/Soft Skills program approved by the local system and their business partners (GeorgiaBEST)

## PATHWAY SKILLS SEAL

Awarded to high school graduates who:

- Complete a Career, Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE) pathway in at least one of Georgia's 17 Career Clusters
- AND ONE (1) OF THE FOLLOWING**
- Pass an End of Pathway Assessment (EOPA)/Industry Recognized Credentialing exam (if it applies)
- Complete a pathway in an industry-certified program
- Earn at least one unit in a state-approved Work-Based Learning program in the concentrated pathway area
- Complete all components of the Career-Related Capstone Project in the concentrated pathway area, as outlined by the Ga DOE
- Earn a rank of E-5 or above in a JROTC program
- Via dual enrollment complete two Technical Certificates of Credit (TCC) in one pathway, earning a Technical College Diploma, or earning an Associates Degree

## LEADERSHIP SKILLS SEAL

Awarded to high school graduates who:

- Complete one year of membership in a state-recognized Career and Technical Student Organization (CTSO) or one year in a JROTC co-curricular activity
- Prepare a portfolio to include as a minimum, a cover letter, resume, and three letters of recommendation
- AND ONE (1) OF THE FOLLOWING**
- Present to business and industry, civic organizations, legislators, and/or local, state, or national board of education members on behalf of local CTAE, CTSOs, or JROTC
- Receive a regional, state, or national honor and/or recognition
- Participate in at least 40 hours of documented community service, and/or community service campaigns (i.e. March of Dimes)
- Earn a rank of E-5 or above and at least 2 JROTC credits

## Distinguished Seal

Awarded to high school graduates who:

- Complete the requirements above
- AND**
- Earn at least one unit in a state-approved Work-Based Learning program in the concentrated CTAE pathway area

## Distinguished Seal

Awarded to high school graduates who:

- Complete a Career, Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE) pathway in one of Georgia's 17 Career Clusters
- AND TWO (2) OF THE FOLLOWING**
- Pass an End of Pathway Assessment (EOPA)/Industry Recognized Credentialing exam (if it applies)
- Complete a pathway in an industry-certified program
- Earn at least one unit in a state-approved Work-Based Learning program in the concentrated pathway area
- Complete all components of the Career-Related Capstone Project in the concentrated pathway area, as outlined by the Ga DOE
- Earn a rank of E-5 or above in a JROTC program

## Distinguished Seal

Awarded to high school graduates who:

- Complete two years of membership in a state-recognized Career and Technical Student Organization (CTSO) or two years in a JROTC co-curricular activity
- Present to business and industry, civic organizations, legislators, and/or local, state, or national board of education members on behalf of local CTAE, CTSOs, or JROTC
- Hold or previously held a leadership office at the local, regional, state or national level in a state-recognized CTSO during high school or a JROTC Command or Staff position within the unit or JROTC co-curricular activity and earn a rank of E-7 or above
- Participate in at least 80 hours of documented community service, and/or community service campaigns (i.e. March of Dimes)

