

DISTRICT 25 TOASTMASTERS



Does your club have well-run, lively, and educational meetings that meet the needs of your members? If so, you may qualify for the prestigious Golden Gavel Award. The Golden Gavel Award is a patch which can be sewn on the club banner, and is awarded by the current Area or Division Governors. It can be awarded only once every six month term to a club.

How can your club qualify for the Golden Gavel award?

The club must meet all of the following criteria:

- Members and guests are greeted warmly and enthusiastically.
- Meeting starts and adjourns on time.
- 15 or more Toastmaster members must be present.
- At least one non-Toastmaster guest is present.
- There is applause after every speaker - functionaries included.
- All speeches are MANUAL speeches.
- Evaluations are both specific and supportive.
- Participants are positively recognized and ribbons/rotating trophies are awarded.
- Members wear badges and guests are given name tags.
- Printed agendas are distributed and followed with three or less assignment changes to the agenda.
- Table Topics are interesting and/or fun - most participants are able to speak the full time period.



Many clubs have the goal of earning the Golden Gavel Award for Excellence in Club meetings when their Area Governor makes the official club visit each term. If your club has not earned one yet, plan a Golden Gavel meeting before the end of the term, and invite your Area and/or Division Governor to attend. Area and Division Governors along with other members of the District leadership team, can submit your club for this award to the District Governor.

The Golden Gavel Award program starts July 1, and ends June 30, which is the Toastmaster year . For more information about the Golden Gavel Award, contact your Area or Division Governor, or visit the District 25 Toastmasters website www.d25toastmasters.org/goldengavel.