



Gift of a Smile 10 Years. 10 More Smiles. 2026 Contest Rules and Eligibility

Eligibility Requirements

We are seeking nominations for deserving applicants who meet all of the following requirements:

1. Need orthodontic care but do not have the financial means to afford it.
2. Have a compelling personal story that highlights their need for orthodontic care.
3. Submit two clear smile photos as part of the application process.
4. Demonstrate good dental hygiene, as certified by their general dentist.
5. Have no unfilled cavities at the time of submission.
6. Are not currently wearing braces or undergoing active orthodontic treatment.
7. Be Georgia residents living in the Atlanta metro area.
8. Are 26 years of age or younger at the time of entry. Applicants ages 18 to 26 must live in the same household as their parent or legal guardian.

How to Enter

1. Submit a Nomination Form: A nominator submits the nomination form on behalf of an eligible applicant.
2. Complete the Application: The nominee or parent/legal guardian, as applicable, will receive an email with a link to complete the required digital paperwork and submit two smile photos by November 15, 2026.
3. Selection Process: Our clinical team will review the nominations and contact finalists for next steps.

Selection Process & Timeline

1. Finalist Selection: Finalists will be selected on a rolling basis through December 1, 2026. Finalists are not selected at random; they are based on eligibility, need, and merit.
2. Orthodontic Evaluation: Finalists will be contacted to schedule a complimentary orthodontic evaluation, which must be completed by December 11, 2026.
3. Recipient Announcement: Ten recipients will be selected and announced no later than December 15, 2026.

Terms and Conditions:

1. Recipients are not selected at random. Recipients are chosen based on eligibility, need, and merit as determined by the selection committee.
2. The deadline for entries is 11:59 p.m. EST on November 15, 2026.
3. By entering, nominators and nominees agree to receive email and SMS communications from Georgia School of Orthodontics (GSO).
4. Nominators must be 18 years or older. Nominees must be 26 years or younger at the time of entry.
5. No purchase necessary to enter or participate.

For any questions regarding the Gift of a Smile 10 Years. 10 More Smiles. 2026 Contest, please contact ipastrana@gaorthodontics.org or 770-351-7737.