



The Young Astronomer's Telescope Scholarship Award Application Form

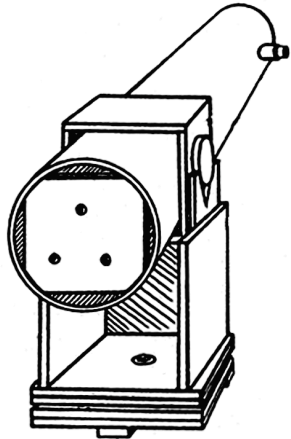
Completed applications should be submitted prior to April 15. Submissions can be made via email or regular US mail to:

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Madison, WI 53717
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The recipient of this award will receive, **for one year**, a loaner telescope and supporting accessories from the Madison Astronomical Society (MAS). The applicant should specify which telescope they are most interested in receiving, and indicate their level of previous experience using telescopes. **Applicants must be in grade 9 through 12 for the school year in which they receive the scholarship.**



4.5 inch reflector on an equatorial mount (beginner to intermediate)



8 inch reflector on a dobsonian mount (beginner to intermediate)

Your signature below is an agreement to:

1. Attend a regular Madison Astronomical Society monthly meeting for presentation of the award.
2. Attend the June MAS picnic to receive the telescope and be trained in its use.
3. During the period of the award, maintain contact with an MAS representative (TBA) for any equipment maintenance needs or questions.
4. At the end of the award period, provide a written or oral presentation to the Madison Astronomical Society. This may be a personal journal, an article for the MAS newsletter (*Capitol Skies*), or a presentation at an MAS meeting.
5. Allow your name and photograph to be published in the newsletters or other publications of the MAS.
6. Turn in the telescope and all associated equipment no later than May of the spring following the summer when you took possession of the telescope.



8 inch Meade Schmidt Cassegrain on a fork equatorial mount (advanced)

Name (print): _____

Today's date: _____

Parent or legal guardian (print): _____

Current school: _____

Signatures of student and guardian: _____

1st and 2nd choices for telescope: _____

(Write in the space provided or attach additional pages as necessary. You may also email your responses.)

1: What is your most memorable experience related to astronomy?

2: In what astronomy-related activities do you participate? (examples: visiting planetariums, attending lectures at public forums (e.g., visiting university professors, etc.), observing the nighttime sky, reading topical books or magazines, following astronomy news on the internet):

3: Have you used a telescope before, and if so, when, where, and for what purpose? List or summarize as many of these times as you can recall.

4: Please supply your full name, address, phone, email, name of school, and grade you will be in for the next school year. Please print.

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