

From Pinholes to Space Telescopes

Institutional Endorsement Form for

First & Last Name

Dear Director, Supervisor, or Administrator:

From Pinholes to Space Telescopes is a program from the Teacher Learning Center at the Astronomical Society of the Pacific (ASP). We have been granted funds from the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation to distribute DIY telescope kits to educators around the U.S. and train those educators in using these learning tools for educational program about light, optics, and telescopes.

The member of your staff listed above has submitted an application for participation in a four-week online workshop as part of this program. We are offering the workshop twice, over the following sets of dates. If accepted, your staff member will participate during one of these time periods:

- October 29 - November 16 and November 26 - 30, 2018
- January 14 - February 8, 2019

We believe that administrative support leads to more successful partnerships between informal educators and the Teacher Learning Center team. Therefore, please certify your institution's support for this applicant's participation in this workshop by completing and returning this **two-page** Institutional Endorsement Form to the Selection Committee. Institutional Endorsement Forms are **required** for all workshop applicants and applications will be considered **incomplete** until the Committee has received a completed form.

Director/Supervisor Name: _____

Title: _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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Statement of Endorsement: I hereby certify that

Institution

will support the participation of the applicant listed at the top of this form in the *From Pinholes to Space Telescopes* workshop and understand that he/she will be taking part in the following:

- Three to four hours of learning activities (live webinars, asynchronous forum discussions, readings, hands-on activities) per week during the 4-week period of the workshop.
- Live one-hour sessions once per week. While live participation is preferable and encouraged, the sessions will also be recorded for later review if needed.

I understand that, if selected for the workshop and upon successful completion, the applicant will receive a free set of 20 simple DIY telescope kits and a set of supporting optics activities. Applicants from Alaska, Hawaii, Canada, Mexico, and U.S. Territories may be required to cover additional shipping charges. I further understand that optics-related programming costs at our institution, if any, are the institution's responsibility.

Signature:

Date: _____

Please submit the completed Institutional Endorsement form to:

afgu@astrosociety.org