



Little Colorado River Valley

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Astronomy Club

Astro Pageant 2026

Congratulations and thank you for choosing to participate in the Second Annual Astro Pageant presented by the Little Colorado River Valley Astronomy Club (LCRVAC) and hosted by Winslow High School. We are excited for your participation! Remember to have fun, be creative, and above all, be uniquely you!! Shine bright stardust!

About the Event

The Astro Pageant is split into two grade ranges, 1st through 6th grade and 7th through 12th grade. This application is due on March 1st. Once your application has been turned in you will be considered officially registered as a contestant,

Starting on March 1st you will have **three primary tasks** to complete: A grade appropriate science project, a fashionably fun Spacesuit, and finally a judges interview.

Task One: Science Project

Contestants may choose any subject matter for their science project. The goal of the science project is to introduce and familiarize the student with the scientific method. The science project will be presented to a panel of judges and Astro Fest attendees. The presentation can include a 2-3 min video, digital presentation, poster board with images, stickers, drawings, and/or a small scale model. Contestants will have 3-5 minutes to present the results of their project and the conclusion of their findings. Contestants may conduct their project with the help of an adult or teacher etc., at home or school, etc. but it must be conducted before the day of the pageant and be presented on May 1st.

Task Two: Spacesuit

Contestants will also need to engineer a Spacesuit within the timeframe after the application submission on March 1st until April 30th. Contestants have creative freedom to design this suit anyway they like. They may utilize any available material, but we strongly encourage reusing and recycling existing materials (plastic bottles, cardboard, cans, fabrics, etc). Contestants will wear and present their designs to the judges during the second round. They will have 3-5 mins to display their pieces. Contestants will need to explain their designs and how each piece would help them survive in space. Contestants may create their design with the help of an adult or teacher etc., at home or school, etc. but it must be completed before the Astro Pageant and ready to present it on May 2nd, the second day of the Pageant.

Task Three: Interview

For the final round, each contestant will be interviewed by the judges. This will take place on the second day of the Astro Pageant, on May 2nd. Each Contestant will be given 5 minutes for their interview. They should be prepared to introduce themselves and then answer questions pertaining to what they learned about their science projects and how they can apply what they learned to the real world.

Rehearsal

A rehearsal will be conducted on April 30th for just students, parents/guardians and/or teachers. No judges will be present. Please bring your presentations and suits at this time.

Murphy's Law

LCRVAC will allow for late applications, with some stipulations:

1. Late applicants will be chosen based on the first applicants to be received by the deadline!!!
2. Late applications are due by April 1st!!!
3. ***FREE Admissions!!!!***
4. Both tasks must be completed by May 1st!!!
5. There are no extensions and no exceptions!!!
6. There are no refunds!!!
7. If the maximum of applicants has been reached, no late applicants will be accepted!!!

Rules and Regulations

1. All applications are due on March 1st in order to be registered as a contestant.
2. All late applications are due on April 1st. Late applicants will be chosen based on the first applicants to be received and by the second deadline.
3. No more than 50 participants will be accepted. If the maximum number of applications is reached by March 1st, no late applicants will be accepted.
4. ***NO FEES!! FREE ADMISSIONS***
5. The pageant is open to all children grades 1st through 12th.
6. Contestants will check in on the rehearsal day before the pageant, April 30th, from 3pm and stay until 6pm. Check in order. Contestants will Check in at 9:30am on the 1st day. Presenting order stays the same.
7. Only one parent/guardian will be allowed to assist children grade 1st-6th behind stage/present on stage. Parent/guardians can assist children 7th-12th behind stage but CANNOT appear on stage.
8. All contestants MUST wear clothing underneath their space suit designs.
9. All contestants MUST follow the school dress code. Any contestant wearing anything inappropriate will

be disqualified.

10. NO science projects can be conducted on stage.

11. More than one child from a family can apply. Please make arrangements with the LCRVAC if only one parent/guardian is assisting with multiple contestants.

12. There will be two grand prize winners and two runner up winners for each age group and a judges choice for each age group. All judging decisions are final.

13. There are NO guarantees to win. NO contestants are entitled to winnings or gratuity.

14. Parents/guardians MUST provide correct information on applications including full name of applicant, full name of parent/guardian, working phone number, correct school name and age. Failure to complete the application correctly will result in disqualification.

15. If you need assistance in filling out an application, please call/text (928)-225-1567.

Terms and Conditions

By signing this agreement I _____ (parent/guardian) allow _____ (minor child) to participate under his/her own free will, in the 2nd Annual Astro Pageant of 2026 hosted by the Little Colorado River Valley Astronomy Club (LCRVAC) and the Winslow High School/Winslow Unified School District #1 (WHS/WUSD1) located at the WHS Performing Arts Center (PAC) at 600 E. Cherry St. in Winslow, AZ, on May 1st and 2nd. I (parent/guardian) have read the rules and regulations and agree to abide by them and have my minor child abide by them. I (parent/guardian) understand that the LCRVAC and WHS/WUSD#1 are not liable for loss or damages of personal belongings, emotional damage, or property damage caused by science projects created at home or elsewhere. I (parent/guardian) also understand that this pageant is a competition, and my minor child is not guaranteed any winnings, gratuity, or compensation for participating in the 2nd Annual Astro Pageant of 2026. I (parent/guardian) acknowledge that by signing this agreement, my minor child will be registered as a contestant and will have from March 1st until May 1st to complete the two tasks listed in the application packet. I (parent/guardian) further acknowledge that my non-refundable fee is due by March 1st and returning my application without payment does NOT guarantee my minor child a spot in the pageant. In the event that my minor child CANNOT continue with the pageant, I (parent/guardian) understand that my minor child forfeits their chance at winning the \$200 cash prize, and title of Ursa Major/Minor and are not entitled to any other prizes. By signing below I (parent/guardian) agree to these terms and conditions.

Sign Name _____ Date _____

Cheri Sahmie

Board Member, LCRVAC



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Please use full names, print clearly, and answer all the questions completely.

Name: School:

Age: Parent/Guardian:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

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