

High School Photo Contest Director

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The American Association of Physics Teachers (AAPT) seeks applications for the position of the High School Photo Contest Director.

Qualifications for the High School Photo Contest Director:

- A background in physics with classroom and laboratory experience, demonstrated involvement with students in special projects or activities, and an appreciation of the physics culture of problem-solving and creativity;
- A record of managing complex tasks and improving processes through innovation;
- Ability to carry out team-related responsibilities throughout the year;
- Ability to oversee the mechanics of the photo contest including reviewing and revising contest rules and guidelines, developing materials for the contest, answering questions from students and teachers, and overseeing the process for selecting awardees along with preparing the selection team of physics teachers for reviewing submitted materials;
- Knowledge about photography;
- Ability to work as part of various teams including the advisory committee, various AAPT Area Committees, and ASDAN China (AAPT's partner that supports the photo contest for Chinese students), and partner with the AAPT Programs & Conferences staff in support of the program, and
- Capacity to develop relationships with teachers, parents, and corporate sponsors.

The photo contest has been a staple in the suite of contests that AAPT offers to high school students. The contest is one way for students to showcase their creativity and knowledge of physics. Students can submit photos that capture everyday situations that demonstrate a variety of physics concepts ("natural") or are set up to show a particular physics concept or related set of concepts ("contrived"). Students submit their photos along with a short explanation of the physics concept(s) captured in the photo. Submissions are judged on the quality of the photo and the accuracy of the physics in the explanation that accompanies the photograph. More information about the photo contest can be found [here](#). A small annual honorarium will be provided to the director.

To apply, please provide the following:

- A statement of interest addressing how you meet the qualifications
- A current c.v.

Send materials to eo@aapt.org with "Application for High School Photo Contest Director" in the subject line. The deadline for applications is Monday, October 17, 2022; however, applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Candidates must be AAPT members. Short listed candidates may be asked to provide letters of recommendation from two references. For more information, contact Beth Cunningham, AAPT Executive Officer, via email at eo@aapt.org.