



56th Annual Westinghouse Science Talent Search



\$205,000 in scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors in the 56th Annual Westinghouse Science Talent Search for research projects in science, mathematics, and engineering

One	\$40,000 scholarship	(\$10,000 per year for 4 years)
One	\$30,000 scholarship	(\$7,500 per year for 4 years)
One	\$20,000 scholarship	(\$5,000 per year for 4 years)
Three	\$15,000 scholarships	(\$3,750 per year for 4 years)
Four	\$10,000 scholarships	(\$2,500 per year for 4 years)
Thirty	\$ 1,000 scholarships	(payable upon matriculation)

Basic Requirements — Entrants must be high school seniors during the 1996-97 school year. Primary emphasis is placed on a written report of an independent research project in the physical sciences, behavioral and social sciences, engineering, mathematics, or biological sciences (excluding live vertebrate experimentation). The research project must be the work of a single individual. Group projects are not eligible. An Entry Form, designed to elicit evidence of creativity and interest in science, is also required, along with an official high school transcript, available standardized test scores, and statements and recommendations from teachers and/or supervising scientists.

Important Note — Sons and daughters of, (1) employees of Science Service Inc., (2) employees of Westinghouse Electric Corporation and their affiliates and subsidiaries, and (3) evaluators of the Westinghouse Science Talent Search are not eligible to enter the Science Talent Search.

Selection of Winners — Three hundred Semifinalists are selected from entries received (usually about 1,800) after careful evaluation by a team of 40 evaluators and judges specializing in a variety of scientific disciplines. Forty Finalists are then selected from the Semifinalists and invited to Washington, D.C., in March 1997, for final judging by a board of 10 distinguished scientists.

The Rewards — The 300 Semifinalists benefit in the following ways: (1) recommendations to colleges and universities for admission and financial assistance, (2) certificates of achievement for students and teachers, (3) a sense of accomplishment and a measure of self-esteem that comes from finishing a difficult assignment. The 40 Finalists, selected from the Semifinalists, are also awarded a trip to Washington, D.C., for the six-day, all-expenses-paid Science Talent Institute for final judging and a chance to share \$205,000 in scholarships.

Sponsors — Since its inception in 1942, the Science Talent Search has been funded by Westinghouse Electric Corporation and administered by Science Service, a Washington, D.C.-based nonprofit organization.

Deadline — November 29, 1996

Entries for the 56th Annual Westinghouse Science Talent Search (1996-97 school year)

Entries must be received by 11:59 p.m. on Friday, November 29, 1996, at Science Service, 1719 N Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036. Late entries will be accepted ONLY if the judging process has not been completed and if (1) entries were metered in a U.S. Post Office by November 15, 1996, or (2) entries were sent by a carrier that guaranteed delivery in writing by the midnight deadline. Entries may NOT be sent by telefax.

We strongly recommend entering early to avoid delivery delays. NOTE: The U.S. Postal Service's Registered or Certified Mail is for tracking purposes only, and is *NOT* the same as an overnight mail service/courier. Priority mail DOES NOT GUARANTEE IN WRITING delivery in two days.

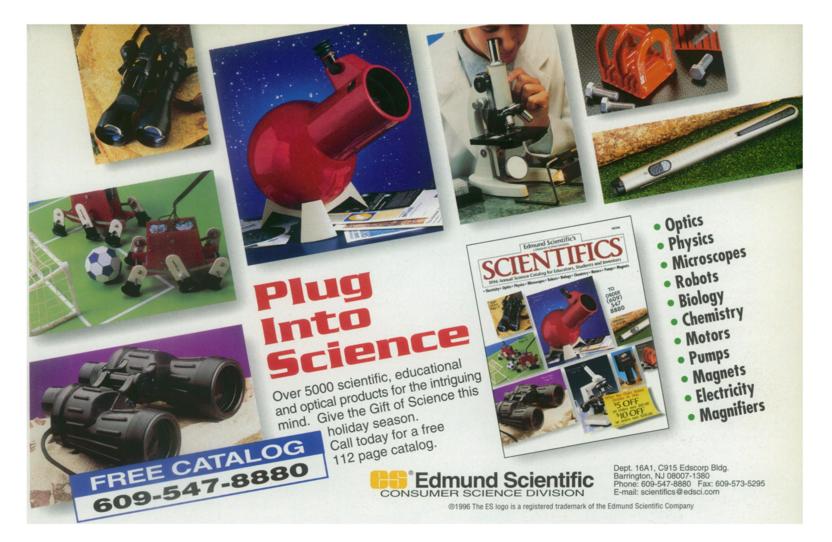
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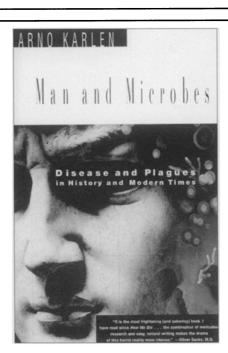


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