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## Tacoma Astronomical Society Student Schedule

2017 - 2018

Pierce College, Ft. Steilacoom  
 Rainier Building

### Student Meetings

7:00 PM - 9:30 PM

### Observing Sessions

October – April: 7:00 PM – 11:00 PM

May – September: 9:00pm – midnight

Bad Weather?! No problem we will meet at 8pm in the  
 Science Dome

TAS is proud of its student program! Along with our regular monthly meetings the students plan field trips, star-parties, special viewing events, debates and social events. Student Meetings are held every fourth Friday unless posted below. Student Meetings consist of; scheduled program, snack time, monthly viewing tips, Astro-Jeopardy quiz question and time set aside long-term projects.

If the weather is poor on an observing night we will have plenty of games and activities offered inside. Student Observing Nights are appropriate for all ages and you do not need to have equipment to participate.

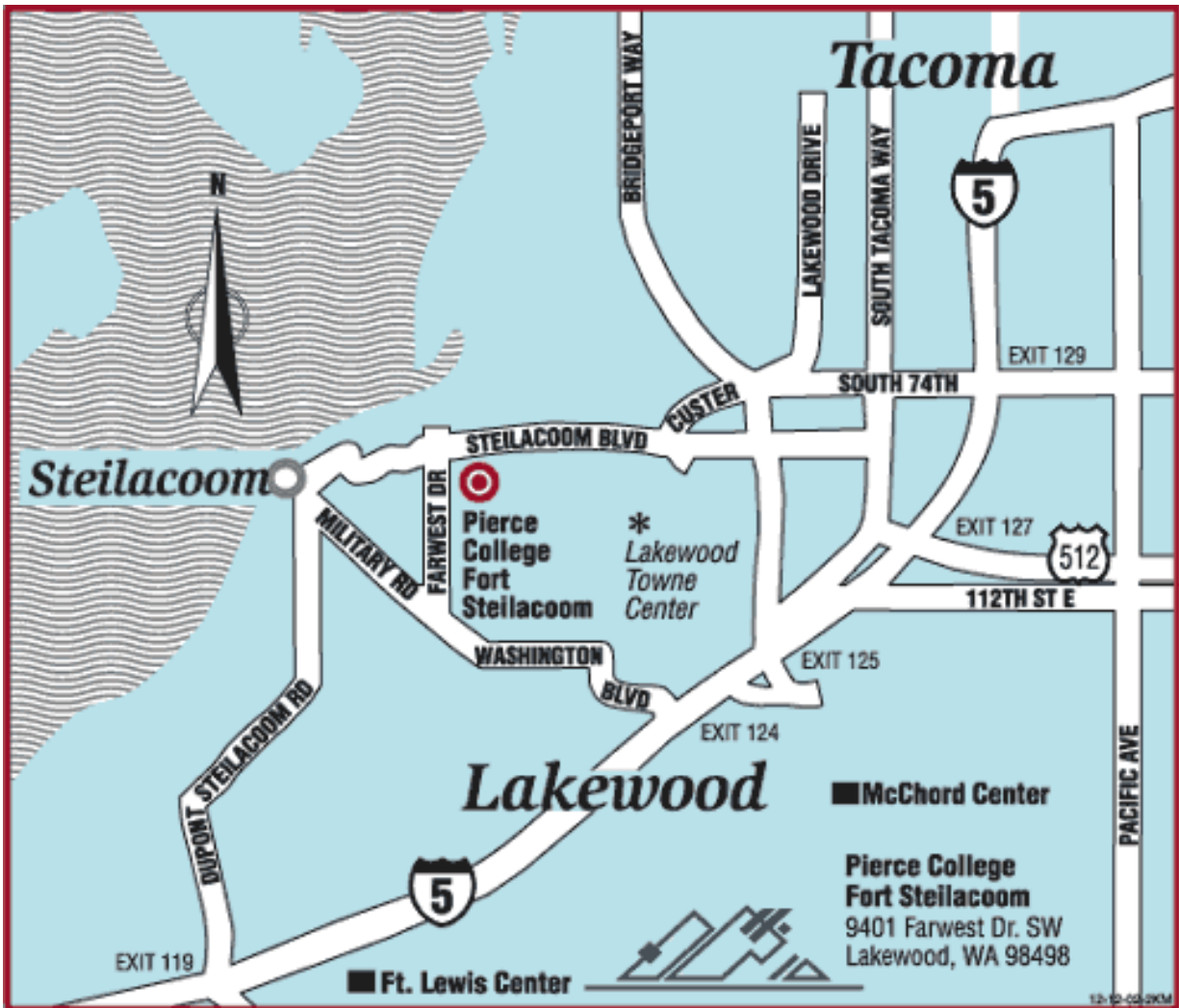
2017 - 2018		
Date	Type	Activity
Sept 22, 2017	Meeting	Meet & Greet, New Student Welcome Pizza Party
Oct 20, 2017	Observing	Deep Sky Observing
Oct 27, 2017	Meeting	Moons of the Solar System
Nov 3, 2017	Observing	Lunar Observing
Nov 17, 2017	Meeting	Final Jeopardy
Dec 30, 2017	Meeting	Year End Party and Potluck
Jan 12, 2018	Observing	last qtr Moon plus 4 or Jan 19th new Moon plus 2
Jan 26, 2018	Meeting	Telescope Makeover
Feb 16, 2018	Observing	New Moon minus 1
Feb 23, 2018	Meeting	Our Moon
Mar 16, 2018	Observing	New Moon minus 1
Mar 23, 2018	Meeting	Galaxies and Quasars
Apr 13, 2018	Observing	New Moon minus 3
Apr 27, 2018	Meeting	Ancient Astronomers
May 11, 2018	Observing	New Moon plus 3
May 18, 2018	Meeting	Debate
Jun 15, 2018	Observing	New Moon plus 2
Jun 22, 2018	Meeting	Extra Solar Planets
July 2018	Meeting	Goldendale Star Party
Aug 4, 2018	Pierce College Ft Steilacoom	Astronomy Fair XV - Noon to 5PM & Weather permitting 9PM to Midnight
Sep 14, 2018	Observing	New Moon plus 4
Sep 28, 2018	Meeting	Meet & Greet, Planispheres
Oct 5, 2018	Observing	New Moon minus 4 or Oct 12th New Moon plus 3
Oct 26, 2018	Meeting	False Astronomy
Nov 9, 2018	Observing	New Moon plus 2
Nov 16, 2018	Meeting	Final Jeopardy
Dec 7, 2018	Observing	New Moon
Dec 29, 2018	Meeting	Year End Party and Potluck

Students are members of both TAS and the TAS Student Program with a single membership. Membership includes the opportunity for discounts on Sky and Telescope or Astronomy magazine and check-out privileges for TAS equipment.

### TAS Volunteers

Materials and resources are made available from membership fees and donations! If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, contact our student program at [student@tas-online.org](mailto:student@tas-online.org)

## Directions



### From I-5 - Gravelly Lake exit

- Follow I-5 to Gravelly Lake Exit 124. (Note: There are directional signs to the college)
- From north-bound I-5: turn left and go over the freeway. From south-bound I-5: turn right.
- At the second light (island with large "Welcome to Lakewood" sign), go left onto Gravelly Lake Drive.
- At the second light, turn left on Washington Blvd. (Note: Washington Blvd. will turn into Military Road).
- At the third light, turn right on 112th St. S. W.
- Take the first left (one-half block) onto Farwest Drive.
- Continue on Farwest Drive until you see Pierce College on the right.

### From I-5 - 72nd St exit

- Follow I-5 to 72nd Street Exit 129
- Turn right onto 74th; proceed on 74th, crossing South Tacoma Way and Lakewood Drive.
- 74th turns into Custer Road and crosses Bridgeport Way; stay in the right lane.
- Turn right on 88th St. S.W. which after two or three blocks becomes Steilacoom Blvd.
- Proceed on Steilacoom past the Oakbrook shopping malls, the light at 83rd Avenue and the Western State Hospital complex.
- Turn left at the light on Farwest Drive (the street is called Farwest on the left, Sentinel on the right).
- Drive up the hill and enter the campus on your left at the main entrance by the reader board sign.