## Astronauts and Musicians for Hire

Thornton Academy has openings in the Science, specifically astronomy, and Arts, specifically music, Departments that it is desperate to fill. The school takes a great deal of pride in these two departments and are looking to recruit top flight talent to add to the staff. They are looking for someone who will not only be a strong educator but attract more attention to our program. They can think of no one better to do this than the best astronauts and rock and roll musicians this country has to offer. You will play the role of an astronaut or a rock and roll musician and submit a cover letter and resume to Thornton Academy for a position in the Science or Arts Department. Here's what you need to do for your application.

- Cover letter: The cover should reference the job description, explain highlights from your resume without duplicating every piece of information- as well as incorporate key information that might not be on the resume- and should explain how you found out about the job listing.
- Resume: The resume should show what the scientist has accomplished and when.

Where were they educated, if they were at all? What have they invented or discovered? What successes have they had? How has their work benefited humanity? Remember, a resume is designed to put your best foot forward so you may want to leave out the failures.

While you can pitch your own ideas, here are a list of candidates that might spark some ideas.

Astronauts

- Buzz Aldrin
- Neil Armstrong
- John Glenn
- Jessica Meir
- Sally Ride
- Alan Shepard
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Rock and Roll musicians

- LaVern Baker
- Chuck Berry
- Johnny Cash
- Ray Charles
- Fats Domino
- Buddy Holly
- Jerry Lee Lewis
- Elvis Presley
- Little Richard

Rubric

| Cover Letter (15) | Cover letters should reference the job description, explain <br> highlights from the resume without duplicating every piece of <br> information, potentially mention an important piece of <br> information not mentioned on the resume, and should explain <br> how the candidate found out about the job. |
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| Resume (20) | Resumes should have all areas of information that are found on <br> the worksheet completed. Three references should be listed as <br> well. The resume should be limited to one page. |

