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Hi Chemistry Teachers,

It is my pleasure to invite you to register students to participate in the 2024 U.S. National Chemistry Olympiad (USNCO). The Olympiad is a multi-tiered event. The first tier, the Local Exam, is open to all high school students and is in person for 2024. Participation in the second and third tiers, the National Exam and the Study Camp, is based on student performance at the previous level. Finally, a team will be chosen to participate in the International Chemistry Olympiad. Below you will find information about the fee waiver we are offering to encourage broad participation in the Olympiad as well as detailed information as to how to register students to participate. The relevant materials needed to register students are attached to this message. Additionally, the information provided below and access to all the necessary forms can be found at our website:

NewYorkACS.online/Olympiad

I encourage you to register students and provide them with the opportunity to participate in this exciting event.

Sincerely,

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FEE WAIVERS AVAILABLE FOR 2024

The New York Section of the ACS will continue a policy first implemented in 2022 through a grant from the ACS. The purpose of the grant was to encourage increased participation in the U.S. National Chemistry Olympiad (USNCO). Schools that have never participated in the Olympiad or have not participated more recently than 2018 may apply for a waiver of the registration fee. Applications will be reviewed in the order received.

REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE 2024 CHEMISTRY OLYMPIAD

The local exam of the 2024 Chemistry Olympiad will be offered **in person between March 1 and 24**. The exam is a 60 question multiple choice exam lasting 110 minutes. The local exam will be administered by teachers in their schools at a time convenient to them during the testing window of March 1-24, 2024.

As was the case in previous years, students will need to register with both the New York Section and at the ACS Learning Center in order to access the participate. The national office of the ACS has implemented a new deadline for registering with the Learning Center. **The deadline for registering at the Learning Center is January 19, 2024.** Students can register at the Learning Center using the following link:

https://fs10.formsite.com/ACS_Outreach/USNCO2024/index

We recognize that this may present some difficulties and have tried to have the deadline changed. Unfortunately, we have been informed by the national office that the January 19 deadline should be considered a firm deadline.

Homeschooled students and students from a school which declines to participate in the Olympiad may register as individuals. Rules pertaining to student eligibility for participation in the Olympiad can be found here. Registration Instructions are below.

For Teachers: How to register students from your school:

Registration of students involves completing and submitting the following:

- 1) [The Registration and Invoice Form](#)
- 2) [The Registration Spreadsheet](#)
- 3) A check payable to ACS New York Section for the registration fee. Be sure that the name of the school is on the check.

For Students: How to register if you are homeschooled or your school declines to participate in the Olympiad:

Registration of students involves completing and submitting the following:

- 1) [The Individual Student Registration Form](#)
- 2) [The Registration Spreadsheet](#)
- 3) A check payable to ACS New York Section for the registration fee. Be sure that the name of your school is on the check.

We encourage you to take a look at the USNCO website, <https://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/education/students/highschool/olympiad.html> where you can, among other things, see previous exams, and register for webinars which provide information on how to prepare for the Local and National Exams.

If you have any questions or need assistance please contact Stephen Z. Goldberg, Chair, NY-ACS Olympiad Committee, at olympiad@newyorkacs.org