Congratulations on being nominated to take the Local USNCO Exam! The exam will be offered at four locations. For North Central College, the exam will be **Sunday, March 10, noon to 2 pm**. Registration is in the lobby of the Wentz Science Center, 131 S. Loomis St, Naperville beginning at 11:30 am. A map of North Central can be found at https://www.northcentralcollege.edu/map and free parking is acceptable in any of the nearby lots or on the street. The Metra schedule can be seen at: https://metrarail.com/maps-schedules/train-lines/BNSF.

For Libertyville High School, 708 W. Park Ave, Libertyville, the exam will take place in the library **Saturday March 9**th **from 9 am to 11 am**. Please enter through the main entrance. Signs will be posted to direct you to the library and registration beginning at 8:30 am in the front of the library entrance. Calculators will be provided to all students taking the exam to use.

At Whitney Young, the exam is on **Saturday, March 9, 10 am to noon**, registration beginning at 9:30 am in the library. Enter the main entrance (door 1) of Whitney Young HS Academic Building on 211 S. Laflin Street, Chicago, IL. From there you'll be directed to the 2nd floor library. There's a free parking lot available at the corner of Laflin & Jackson Street.

For Munster High School, the exam is **Sunday, March 10 at 10 am until noon**. Registration begins at 9:30 am. Parking and entry at door H, 8808 Columbia Ave, Munster, IN 46321.

PLEASE RESPOND TO olympiad@chicagoacs.org TO LET US KNOW WHICH SCHOOL YOU WILL ATTEND TO TAKE THE TEST.

Bring:

two #2 pencils

a nonprogrammable calculator. We will have some available for use

a photo ID. (your school ID will be acceptable)

At the test location, you also will be asked for:

Your school and teacher's name

Resources and information:

The National ACS offers an online learning center to help you prepare for the exam; https://learning.acs.org/course/view.php?id=1224. They will host a webinar to guide students, teachers, and coordinators through the ACS Learning Center. Please register there as soon as possible so that you can be made aware of any important information as well as utilizing their resources.

Rules for Participation in the 2024 Chemistry Olympiad Competition

- 1. Students must be U.S. citizens or legal, permanent residents of the United States (green card holders) to take the U.S. national examination.
- 2. High school students who will graduate no earlier than spring of a year in which they participate in the competition are eligible.
- 3. Students must be younger than 20 years of age.
- 4. No more than **two** students per high school may take the **national** exam. In the case of magnet programs or split enrollment, a student's school is defined as the high school where the student takes science class(es).
- 5. Eligible students who have previously attended the study camp automatically qualify for the national exam and do not count against the limit on the number of eligible students from their local section or school.
- 6. Winners of gold medals at the International Chemistry Olympiad are not eligible to participate in subsequent International Chemistry Olympiad competitions or study camps.
- 7. Students who have taken advanced placement courses in chemistry are eligible.
- 8. A student may participate only in the competition of the section in which the student's high school is located. If the section is not participating, the USNCO national office will assign the student to a section.
- 9. A student who participates in the Physics Olympiad study camp, the Mathematics Olympiad study camp, or the Biology Olympiad study camp is not eligible to participate in the Chemistry Olympiad study camp during the same summer.
- 10. Only non-programmable calculators are to be used on the national exam and on the ACS local section exam. The use of a programmable calculator, cell phone, or any other device that can access the Internet or make copies or photographs during the exam is grounds for disqualification. Scientific calculators will be provided.

To view **Local and National Exams**, past winners, and other general information about the Chemistry Olympiad, see http://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/education/students/highschool/olympiad.html.

Any questions should be sent via email to olympiad@chicagoacs.org. Please write "USNCO question" in the subject line.

GOOD LUCK and HAVE FUN!