

Congratulations on opting to take the Local USNCO Exam! The exam will be offered at four locations. For North Central College, the exam will be **Saturday, March 1, 10 am to noon**. Registration is in the lobby of the Wentz Science Center, 131 S. Loomis St, Naperville beginning at 9:30 am (building 19 on the map <https://www.northcentralcollege.edu/map>). Parking is available on the street or in lot E north of the Wentz Science Center. The exam will take place in Room 013. 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 **Sunday, March 2, from 10 am to noon**. Please enter through the main entrance. Signs will be posted to direct you to the library and registration beginning at 9:30 am in the front of the library entrance.

At Whitney Young, the exam is on **Sunday, March 2, 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 **Saturday, March 1 at 10 am until noon**. Registration begins at 9:30 am. Parking and entry at door G across from tennis courts at the north end of the school, 8808 Columbia Ave, Munster, IN 46321. There is a stoplight at the tennis courts. Once entering the doors, students will make a right at the first hallway to N168.

**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 number of resources to help you prepare for the exam:

<https://www.acs.org/education/olympiad/prepare-for-exams.html>.

Rules for Participation in the 2025 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!