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**2024 SIXTY-EIGHTH  
ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP EXAMINATION IN CHEMISTRY**

**SPONSOR:** Chicago Section, American Chemical Society: High School Education Committee  
**HELD AT:** Benedictine University, Libertyville and Whitney Young High Schools, Saturday May 18, 2024.  
**AWARDS:** Funds are contributed by the chemical industry and by individuals.  
Teachers of a prize-winning student(s) will receive a one-year membership in AACT.

<u>PRIZE</u>	<u>WINNER</u>	<u>SCHOOL &amp; TEACHER</u>
<b>FIRST</b> \$5,000 AWARD	<b>Ray Han</b>	<b>Kevin Nihill</b> University of Chicago Lab School
<b>SECOND</b> \$3,000 AWARD	<b>Mandal Dayita</b>	<b>Suzanne Teberg</b> William Fremd HS
<b>THIRD</b> \$2,500 AWARD	<b>Ayush Kulkarni</b>	<b>Margaret Stokes</b> Metea Valley HS
<b>FOURTH</b> \$1,500 AWARD	<b>Kyler Gao</b>	<b>Katherine Lynch</b> Naperville North HS
<b>FIFTH</b> \$1,250 AWARD	<b>Caspar Chen</b>	<b>Brandon Tucker</b> Glenbrook South HS
<b>MARIE LISHKA *</b> \$2,000 AWARD	<b>Mandal Dayita</b>	<b>Suzanne Teberg</b> William Fremd HS
<b>MARSHALL S. SMOLER**</b> \$1,000 AWARD	<b>Eloise Khoury</b>	<b>Walt Kinderman</b> Walter Payton College Prep
<b>BERNARD E. SCHAAR***</b> \$1,000 Chicago Chemists' Club Award	<b>Ray Han</b>	<b>Kevin Nihill</b> University of Chicago Lab School

\*To the highest scoring female in the examination. This award honors *Marie Lishka*, who was an active Chicago Section member for many years. Additional funding for the Lishka award was provided in memory of *Stan Drigot*.

\*\*To the highest-scoring Chicago Public High School Student. His sister, Rachel, established this award in 1972 in memory of **Marshall S. Smoler**. Mr. Smoler was for many years a chemistry teacher in the Chicago public schools.

\*\*\* To the highest scoring Chicago High School student. Mr. Bernard Schaar's widow established this award in memory of *Mr. Bernard Schaar*, long active in Chicago Section, American Chemical Society and the Chicago Chemist's Club.

**HONORABLE MENTIONS LISTED IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER**

(These students were the next highest performers)

Jonathan Anandakumar, Metea Valley HS  
Victor Chen, University of Chicago Lab School  
Maria Giannopoulos, Naperville Central HS  
Ryan Kong, Naperville Central HS  
Cruise Lickerman, University of Chicago Lab School  
Anagha Pallela, William Fremd HS  
Myles Yiu, Glenbrook South HS

A total of 41 students from 14 schools took the 2024 ACS Scholarship exam. Each chemistry teacher could nominate two students.

Awards will be given to students at the ACS Education Night meeting at a time, date, and place to be determined, usually in September. Award winners and their teachers will be contacted by the Chicago ACS office. All teachers and students are invited and encouraged to attend the ACS Education Night meeting. Teachers who attend the ACS Education Night meeting will receive CPDU credits. Teachers do not have to be ACS members to attend. Register online at <https://chicagoacs.org> in August.

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