

The DFW section of the American Chemical Society will be conducting its local qualifying exam for the **2021 National Chemistry Olympiad on Saturday, March 27, 2021, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. Central Time.**

The exam will be given virtually through the American Chemical Society.

PLEASE NOTE: There is no cost to students or teachers for this or the national exams. Copies of previous years' exams are available www.acs.org for practice (*Education*→*High School*→*Chemistry Olympiad*)

THE DEADLINE FOR REGISTERING FOR THE USNCO LOCAL EXAM IS SUNDAY, JANUARY 31, 2021, BY 11: 59 P.M. THIS IS A HARD DEADLINE SET BY THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE FOR ANY REASON!

The registration form may be accessed through this QR code:



The form may also be accessed here:

<https://forms.gle/hetoDggodC37QYNW8>

or

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScrPsfjhpSNqS227R94X4ZZKma-ijIJ9ov7vpLPb5Id-5YQ2Q/viewform?usp=sf_link

US National Chemistry Olympiad (NCO) Testing Requirements

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. Students must be younger than 20 years old.
3. Only regularly enrolled high school students, graduating no earlier than Spring semester 2021, are eligible.
4. No more than two students per teacher or per high school may be selected to 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 their science courses. For example, TAMS counts as a single high school for these purposes.
5. Students who have taken advanced placement courses in chemistry are eligible. Likewise, students who have received credit for college-level courses (limited to no more than two semesters or three quarters beyond general chemistry) are eligible.
6. Programmable calculators and cellular phones are **NOT** permitted during either the local or national exams. This means that **ABSOLUTELY NO GRAPHING CALCULATORS** are permitted during the exam regardless of whether the memory is cleared. Students **MUST** provide their own nonprogrammable scientific calculators for the exam.
7. Local selection will be based upon student scores on the local NCO qualifying exam to be administered virtually by the American Chemical Society on **Saturday, March 27, 2021**. There is only one day and time for the local test. **THERE ARE NO MAKE-UP EXAMS!**
8. For those students selected for advancement, Part I of the National Exam will be held virtually on **Saturday, April 17, 2021**, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. Central Time. The top 200 students from Part I will take Part II of the National Exam virtually on **Saturday, April 24, 2021**, from 2:00 to 3:45 p.m. Central Time. The top 20 students overall will be invited to attend the Study Camp on Monday, May 3, 2021.

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