*****NEW PROCEDURES FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE***** *****US NATIONAL CHEMISTRY OLYMPIAD PROGRAM****

Attention all high school chemistry teachers and students interested in participating in the 2024 US National Chemistry Olympiad competition:

To prepare for a more secure digital exam option in 2025, ACS is taking 2024 to centralize their student registration process. <u>All students must submit a form electronically to the ACS office by</u> <u>December 15, 2023.</u> Your USNCO Local Coordinator will then confirm students belong to the correct section and participating students will be notified by January 15, 2024.

The Local Exam will still take place ON PAPER IN PERSON during the first three weeks of March 2024. Students requiring a screen reader accessible exam must let ACS know when they register by Dec. 15, 2023. Time extensions may be granted to students who provide supporting documentation of accommodations granted by their school to their local USNCO Coordinator at least one month prior to their local exam administration.

Schedule: <u>October 2023</u> Registration form opens for students: https://fs10.formsite.com/ACS_Outreach/USNCO2024/index__also ------>

December 2023 FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15 - REGISTRATION CLOSES FOR STUDENTS

January 2024

Monday, Jan 15 - Confirmation of participation sent to participants by local coordinators.

March 2024

Friday, March 1 - First day of Local Section Exam testing. Sunday, March 24 - Final day of Local Section Exam testing.

<u>April 2024</u>

Monday, April 1 - Deadline for ACS National to share scores with Local Sections. Friday, April 5 - Deadline for National Exam nominees to ACS National. Saturday, April 13 - First day of National Exam testing window. Sunday, April 21 - Final day of National Exam testing window. Monday, April 29 - Study Camp participants notified (target).

<u>June 2024</u>

Sunday, June 2 - First day of Study Camp (tentative). Saturday, June 14 - Last day of Study Camp (tentative).

<u>July 2024</u>

July 21 - First day of IChO. July 31 - Last day of IChO.

DECEMBER 15, 2023, IS A HARD DEADLINE SET BY THE NATIONAL OFFICE OF THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY. LOCAL USNCO COORDINATORS CANNOT CHANGE THIS DATE. ALL REGISTRATION IS BEING HANDLED DIRECTLY BY THE ACS.

