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Dear Chemistry Teacher,

I am pleased to announce that the New York Section of the American Chemical Society will continue its fee waiver program to encourage increased participation of schools in the 2026 Chemistry Olympiad.

The section has determined that a school may apply for the waiver of the Olympiad registration fee of \$25 for up to six students or \$50 for up to 12 students if the school has never participated in the Chemistry Olympiad or have not participated since 2020. In accord with the terms of the grant which the NYACS received in 2022, preference will be given to schools that nominate students who are female, African-American, Hispanic, Native American, or Pacific Islanders.

We have further determined that in order to be eligible for the grant a school should nominate a minimum of two students (but the \$25 registration fee is for up to six students). As a bonus, to encourage additional participation, a school may nominate up to 12 students. Applications will be reviewed in the order they are received.

The first phase of the Chemistry Olympiad is the local exam which will be offered in the student's high school during the testing window, February 27 to March 16.

Information about the Olympiad can be found at: https://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/education/students/highschool/olympiad.html

We look forward to your school applying for the registration fee waiver and the participation of your students in the 2026 Chemistry Olympiad.

Sincerely, Stephen Z. Goldberg Chair, NYACS Olympiad Committee