



## U.S. National Chemistry Olympiad

Report submitted to Virginia Section Executive Committee

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The Virginia Local Section of the American Chemical Society (ACS) is hosting the U.S. National Chemistry Olympiad (USNCO). Students who attend high school within the boundaries of the Virginia Local Section are eligible to participate. <http://acsva.org/virginia-sections-and-regions/>

**Local Exam: March 26, 2022, registration deadline February 28**

Registration link and other useful information can be found at <https://acsva.org/virginia-section-chemistry-olympiad/>

**National Exam: April 2022 (exact date and time TBA)**

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This year's exam is being offered in several different formats by the National committee. I am electing to use the ACS LMS to administer the exam in person, proctored by teachers at their own sites. This format will mirror what has been done in the past with the paper tests but students will take the exam on a school computer or a personal computer in the presence of a teacher proctor. I will be present on Zoom with the teachers across the region to assist with this process.

Participation was very low last year, probably due to Covid and concerns with the security of the online exam. I am hopeful that we will get more participation this year and I am working to reach out to schools and teachers who have previously not participated. I would appreciate the help of members across the Section in helping me to spread the word.

Respectfully submitted,  
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