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Dear Colleague,

As Chair of the North Jersey Section of the American Chemical Society (NJACS), I am pleased to announce that we will be participating in the 2016 U.S. National Chemistry Olympiad (USNCO). The primary goals of this program are to stimulate interest and achievement in chemistry among high school students throughout the United States and to provide recognition of outstanding young chemistry students, teachers, and schools.

My immediate task is to encourage you and your students to participate in this program. It is the responsibility of NJACS to nominate students from this area to take the USNCO national examination. In order to identify these students, we have decided to conduct a preliminary screening of students through a local qualifying exam in March, 2016. Top scoring students will be invited to participate in the national exam.

I encourage your school to participate in this academic Olympiad. All students who participate will be recognized and presented with a certificate; top 150 students receive recognition for outstanding performance at the national level. We hope this recognition will serve to stimulate interest in chemistry and to promote a positive attitude toward chemistry.

Dr. Jiwen Chen has been appointed the USNCO Coordinator for this area. Please contact him at nj.chemistryolympiad@gmail.com if you are interested in signing up your school in the competition. The deadline for registration is January 21, 2016. Thank you for helping promote chemical education in New Jersey.

Sincerely,

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Chair, NJACS