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Dear Colleagues:

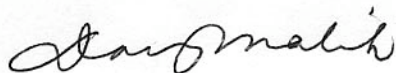
We would like to invite you to submit nominations for the 2008 American Chemical Society Indiana Section High School Chemistry Scholarship Examination. The competition will be held in the Informatics and Communications Technology Complex (ICTC) (corner of Michigan and West) on the IUPUI campus on Saturday, April 26. The exam starts at 9 AM. Signs will be posted as to exact rooms within the building. Note this is in a different building than before. The competition will include two levels: First Year Chemistry and Advanced Chemistry. The First Year Chemistry nominees will be either currently enrolled in a first year chemistry course or have completed the first year (and not enrolled in an advanced class). The *Advanced Chemistry* nominees will be those students who have taken more than one year of chemistry. Detailed information can be found on the website <http://www.chem.iupui.edu/ACSexam>. In addition, you will find the 2005 - 2007 exams archived on the site. Your nominations must be received by April 16, 2008 by e-mail. The nomination forms posted at the web site can be completed and e-mailed to us.

The Indiana Section of the American Chemical Society sponsors awards for both exams, including scholarships for top scorers as well as the CRC Handbook of Chemistry and Physics to all Honorable Mention and Scholarship winners. Certificates of Participation will also be given to all students completing the examination. School awards will again be made this year to the top five schools (\$100 each) as well as a High School Honor Roll for high performing teams. Awards will be presented at the Awards Banquet on May 13 -- so save the date. This examination will also be used to select ten students for the National Chemistry Olympiad Exam. Students may take the local exam for Olympiad consideration even if they do not qualify for ACS awards.

Let me remind you of policy regarding calculators: **Only standard scientific calculators will be permitted: no graphing, alphanumeric, or programmable calculators will be permitted.** This policy will be rigorously enforced. If your student does not own a scientific calculator, he/she must borrow or buy one for the day of the exam. Please encourage your students to practice with the unfamiliar calculator to prevent time delays or errors in keying, exponent entry, etc. No cell phones or pagers will be allowed – leave them in the cars.

An exciting High School Teachers' Program will be held concurrently with the examination in the Hall at 9:15 AM. Details to follow.

Sincerely yours,



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Image of ICTC Building: