

FAQs for the High School First Year Chemistry Exam

All the information about the Exam is on the website ocacs.org. Open the Education tab > High School First Year Exam and then choose the Teacher Registration Letter.

If your school uses only a digital school ID (for example an app like 5 Star) we shall accept this form of school ID.

- **Do I need a photo ID on the day of the exam?**

Yes, IDs will be checked. Without a photo ID students will be permitted to take the exam, but will not be recognized as a winner unless a legitimate ID is provided before the end of the exam.

- **Do I need a calculator?**

No, calculators are not allowed on this exam.

- **How long is the exam?**

The exam consists of about 90 multiple choice questions, and will last 2 hours maximum.

- **What is the policy on cell phones?**

While we realize that students may need a phone to call for a ride at the end of the exam, ALL CELL PHONES MUST BE TURNED OFF AND PUT AWAY during the exam. If a student is found to have a cell phone that is on, they will be disqualified.

- **Can I leave to go to the restroom during the exam?**

No, please use the restroom before starting the exam.

- **If I am late, can I still take the exam?**

If you are later than 9:10 am, you will not be allowed to take the test.

- **Can this exam be taken more than one time?**

No, this is for first year students of chemistry only, and cannot be taken more than one time.

- **What happens if there is a tie for top student from my school?**

There is an optional tie-breaker question at the end of the exam. It is not required, but serves to decide a tie between the top scoring students.

- **How can I be sure I am registered?**

Your teacher will receive a confirmatory email after they register the students.

- **When do I see the test results?**

Results will be emailed to the chemistry teacher who completed the online registration for your school within one week of the exam.