Chemical Education Fund & Outreach

In 2020 the Chemical Education Fund (CEF) was slated to fund thirteen projects aimed at promoting the chemical sciences to benefit the next generation of chemical sciences professionals. Due to the pandemic, many of these exceptional initiatives were unable to take place. However, two funded events were able to make the shift to virtual: the 47th Southern Ontario Undergraduate Student Chemistry Conference (SOUSCC) and the Canadian Chemical Engineering Conference (CCEC) 2020 student programming. There was also an incredible pivot from the national coordinators of the Canadian Chemistry Competition & Olympiad.

Chemistry Education Award

Professor Nola Etkin, MCIC is the winner of the 2020 CIC Award for Chemistry Education for her outstanding contribution to post-secondary chemistry education at the University of Prince Edward Island.

Celebrating Student Achievements

The Lionel High School Chemistry Scholarship assists high school students in financial need in pursuing post-secondary studies in the chemical sciences up to four years.

Emma Pflanz
Semiahmoo Secondary School, Surrey, BC

Emily Armstrong
Regent Christian Online Academy, Victoria, BC

Canadian Chemistry Competition & Olympiad

“...In 2020, the CCC, the CCO, and the International Chemistry Olympiad were unique in providing a space for students in Canada and globally to showcase their chemistry knowledge and skills, at a time when most other science competitions, both national and global, were not able to pivot and successfully support student empowerment in the online environment."

Jennifer Pitt-Lainsbury, National Coordinator of CCC & CCO

Four students went on to participate at the International Chemistry Olympiad: Andrei Mihai Banica, Edward Chen, Hung Nguyen, Justin Qi Hua Cheng.

Andrei Mihai Banica, Hung Nguyen, and Justin Qi Hua Cheng received bronze in the International Chemistry Olympiad.