**SUBJECT**: Register Today for the Virtual You Be The Chemist Challenge!

The Chemical Educational Foundation (CEF) is excited to present the *You Be The Chemist* Challenge®, a STEM competition for students in grades 5-8 to explore the excitement and value of chemistry in everyday life — and getting started is easy (and free)! This year’s Challenge consists of two parts: a virtual academic competition and a virtual video competition.

Teams will participate in a moderated livestream event to answer multiple choice and short-answer questions and hear from scientific professionals to expand their knowledge of chemistry. Student teams will also create a video exploring the intersection between the role of chemistry in their community and sustainability. Students must compete in teams of four (4).

The Challenge can be incorporated into the classroom as an asynchronous learning tool for teachers in their classroom. Student participation in the Challenge enhances student learning during the virtual school day through participation in online study modules that coincide with CEF’s Challenge study materials, which may be used to supplement classroom learning towards meeting the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS), and creating videos as part of the Challenge that explore how science concepts relate to sustainability.

Registration is open from September 28 – December 31. If your school is interested in participating or learning more please visit the [Challenge webpage](https://www.chemed.org/programs/challenge/).

Please email [challenge@chemed.org](mailto:challenge@chemed.org) with any questions.