

## PRE-COLLEGE COMMITTEE JUNE 2025

The following tasks have been completed in June thus far. All items were shared with all committee members to gather their input. One exception was the nomination of an outstanding committee member. I started the responsibilities of Chair in January 2025. Even though it has been only a few months, the member whom I ended up nominating stood out right away as a worthy candidate.

1. Budget Proposal 2026 - Thank you to Dr. Moog for all his assistance, and to Roxie Allne for her input on finalizing the request. The committee looked over it before it was sent to the Division treasurer.
2. Nomination for Outstanding Committee member to be recognized at the Fall ACS DivCHED Social (in addition to a letter and certificate). Thank you to Heather Johnson for her input about the process, since I have a very short time as Chair.
3. Update of the Pre-college Committee Newsletter - Thank you to Michael Marino.
4. Update of ACS Opportunities for Pre-College Educators presentation - Thank you to Kathryn Mehlretter. Kathryn presented it during our virtual meeting at the 2025 Spring Conference
5. AACT accepted to post the Precollege committee newsletter and the PowerPoint on Opportunities for Pre-College educators in their July Newsletter. Thanks to Jennifer Fees, AACT Content & Programming Manager
6. A request to post the Pre-College Committee Newsletter and the PowerPoint on the Division's webpage has been made as of June 19, 2025. The request was sent to Heather Johnson.
7. Requested and was granted a Birds of a Feather Event for the Pre-College Committee at the CHEMED 2025 Conference in July 2025. We were scheduled for Monday, July 21, 12:15-12:45 PM. Thanks to Ryan Johnson and the assistance of Deanna Cullen.

## FUTURE ITEMS

1. A request to have a virtual committee meeting at the 2025 ACS Fall Conference has been made. Final date/time TBD.
2. The budgeted funds for 2025 were approved to be shared with AACT at a social event at the ChemEd 2025 Conference. The contact person at AACT is Jennifer Fees this year.
3. SPECIAL PROJECT: Create/Design a Sustainable & Environmentally Friendly Laboratory Program for High School Chemistry. It will need the leadership of college and high school chemistry educators, and the assistance of undergraduate chemistry majors, to test the labs at the educators' institutions. Financial support will be needed. The goal is to have at least a draft to be presented at the ACS Spring Conference 2026 (Atlanta, GA). This is a multi-year endeavour.