Dear Science Educator,

We invite you and your students to **Career Day** sponsored by the **American Chemical Society**. This is to be held at the **University of Missouri-St. Louis in the Chemistry and Biochemistry Department**. The date for this event is **Friday May 6th, 2016 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.** The objective is to introduce your students to careers involving chemistry and biochemistry and have them witness activities in those areas. It includes tours of research laboratories and instrument facilities, and Chemistry Demonstrations by the UM-St. Louis Chemistry Club. A lunch (pizza, etc.) starting at about 11:30 a.m. concludes the event. The tours follow a brief introduction where **Just What is Chemistry and What Careers Involve Chemistry** are considered. Chemistry and biochemistry are very much “central sciences” and other careers such as those in healthcare involve these disciplines. In the department tour, research in biochemistry, inorganic, organic, and physical chemistry will be featured and major instruments to be shown and demonstrated include X-ray Diffraction, Nuclear Magnetic Resonance, Mass Spectrometry and Electron Microscopy.

Your school schedule is likely already very crowded, but please consider how valuable this experience may be for your students as they consider their college and future career options.

Please **respond by Friday April 22nd, 2016** to Michelle Haley (516-5311, e-mail: haleym@umsl.edu) to inform us that you will attend. **Please let us know how many students will accompany you so that complete arrangements for food and setting up tour groups may be made. Please include an e-mail address in your response to this invitation.** The day involves lots of activities so please plan to be punctual. For those who can attend, additional information will be provided subsequently by e-mail. We again are contacting science educators by e-mail rather than by traditional mailing. Please note: our budget for this event does not include the cost of transportation for attendees but free parking will be provided. Additional details concerning the program that is planned can be obtained from Keith Stine or Jim O’Brien; their contact information is given below.

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