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TEACHING CAREER IN BRIEF

I completed my studies at Eötvös Loránd University as a teacher of biology and chemistry, and subsequently obtained my specialized pedagogical diploma with expert and mentor teacher qualifications at the same institution.

I spent my first seven academic years at Szent László High School in Kőbánya, where I soon gained experience in talent management, class teacher duties, and department leadership. Initially, I was involved in advanced-level biology education and competition preparation, but over the years, my focus increasingly shifted towards chemistry talent management.

Since 2006, I have been teaching at Eötvös József High School, where—to my great pleasure—I actively participate in both the four-year and six-year secondary programs, accompanying students from enrollment until graduation. In addition to my work as a subject teacher, I also serve as a class teacher and have been the Head of the Biology and Chemistry Department for the past two years.

I strive to provide my students with as many lasting experiences and as much knowledge as possible beyond the classroom, primarily through extracurricular workshops, individual sessions, external programs, and laboratory visits. I gladly assist them in preparing for competitions, including the OKTV, and the Hevesy, Irinyi, Curie, Oláh György, or Dürer competitions.

I participated in the eight-year research project of the MTA-ELTE Research Group for Inquiry-Based Chemistry Education and developed chemistry tasks for the NKP Okosdoboz digital task collection.

Beside conscious and persistent work, I consider the joy of discovery to be essential—with these, excellent students can become excellent researchers in the future.

PUBLICATIONS

SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS

Tamás Kós

Molecular Bionics and Medical Biotechnology Engineer (PPKE), PhD Student at Semmelweis University

- 2014 IJSO – Bronze Medal
- 2015 IJSO – Silver Medal

Helga Adél Bettesch

Biomedical Engineering Student at BME

- 2021 Irinyi Chemistry Competition – 4th Place
- 2022 Irinyi Chemistry Competition – 4th Place
- 2022 Oláh György Chemistry Competition – 4th Place
- 2024 Dürer Competition – 4th Place

Gergő Márton Surányi

Biochemical Engineering Student at BME

- 2022 Irinyi Chemistry Competition – 3rd Place
- 2023 Irinyi Chemistry Competition – 9th Place
- 2024 Dürer Competition – 4th Place
- 2025 Dürer Competition – 2nd Place

András Márk Simon

Chemistry BSc Student at ELTE

- 2023 Oláh György Chemistry Competition – 2nd Place
- 2024 Dürer Competition – 4th Place
- 2025 Dürer Competition – 2nd Place

Petra Kovács

High School Student

- 2024 Dürer Competition – 1st Place
- 2024 Oláh György Chemistry Competition – 4th Place
- 2025 Dürer Competition – 2nd Place
- 2025 National Secondary School Academic Competition (OKTV) in Chemistry – 25th Place
- 2026 Dürer Competition – 5th Place
- 2026 National Secondary School Academic Competition (OKTV) in Chemistry – 11th Place
- 2026 International Chemistry Tournament (IChTo) – Team Member

Zoltán László Szepesi

High School Student

- 2023 IJSO – Silver Medal
- 2024 Irinyi Chemistry Competition – 3rd Place
- 2024 Dürer Competition – 1st Place
- 2025 Irinyi Chemistry Competition – 6th Place
- 2026 National Secondary School Academic Competition (OKTV) in Chemistry – 22nd Place
- 2026 Dürer Competition – 5th Place

Ádám Keszte

High School Student

- 2024 Irinyi Chemistry Competition – 7th Place
- 2024 Dürer Competition – 1st Place
- 2025 Irinyi Chemistry Competition – 3rd Place
- 2026 National Secondary School Academic Competition (OKTV) in Chemistry – 12th Place
- 2026 Dürer Competition – 5th Place