

## **The 2017 Theodore William Richards Award for Excellence in Teaching Secondary School Chemistry.**

The Richards Award is the most prestigious award for high school chemistry teaching the Northeastern Section of the American Chemical Society offers in recognition of outstanding, innovative, and inspired teaching at the secondary level. It is intended to honor a teacher in the Northeastern Section who, through innovation and dedication, has inspired potential chemists, has communicated chemistry to non-chemists, or has influenced other teachers of chemistry.

The criteria for excellence correspond broadly to the effectiveness with which the teacher conveys chemistry, the innovative techniques used to help students comprehend chemical concepts, his/her interaction with students, both academic and extra-curricular, and the influence a teacher has had on other teachers for promoting new approaches to teaching and learning.

The selected teacher will be officially honored and will receive both a \$1,500 prize and a Certificate of Recognition at the NESACS Education Night ceremony in May, 2017.

A complete description of the award, the nomination criteria, and nomination forms can be obtained from the NESACS website at: <[http://www.nesacs.org/awards\\_richards.html](http://www.nesacs.org/awards_richards.html)> Nominations are due no later than April 7, 2017 to the Richards Award Committee, attn: Steve Lantos, [steve\\_lantos@brookline.k12.ma.us](mailto:steve_lantos@brookline.k12.ma.us) (or via US Mail to: Steve Lantos, Sci. Dept. Brookline HS, 115 Greenough St, Brookline MA 02445)