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COMMUNITY EDUCATION COORDINATOR

No 63-919 Examination Open to the Public

Niagara Wheatfield Salary: \$15.34

The examination will be held to establish an eligible list used to fill one part-time current vacancy in Niagara Wheatfield and any other appropriate vacancies in various agencies under the jurisdiction of Niagara County Civil Service that may occur during the life of the list. The list established from this exam will supersede any existing list for this title.

RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS: Candidates must have been legal residents of Niagara County for at least one (1) month immediately preceding the date of the written examination and such residency must continue until the time of appointment. Preference in appointment may be given to successful candidates who have been residents of the municipality in which the appointment is made. Non-residents may be required to become a resident of the appointing municipality if local law so states.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates must meet the following on or before the date of the written exam. If you do not meet these qualifications, your application will be disapproved and your filing fee will not be refunded.

Graduation from high school or possession of an equivalency diploma **AND** one of the following:

- Graduation from a regionally accredited college or university or one accredited by the New York State Board of Regents 1. to grant degrees with a Bachelor's Degree in a business related field, public relations, education, or related field AND one (1) year of experience in business, public relations, or related field; **OR**
- Graduation from a regionally accredited college or university or one accredited by the New York State Board of Regents 2. to grant degrees with an Associate's Degree in a business related field, public relations, or related field **AND** three (3) years of experience in business, public relations, or related field; OR
- 3. Five (5) years of experience in business, public relations, or related field; **OR**
- An equivalent combination of education and experience as outlined above.

NOTE: Verifiable volunteer and/or part-time experience will be pro-rated.

DUTIES: Under the direction of the school district administration, the incumbent is responsible for generating local interest in adult, youth, and community education. Responsibilities include course planning, promotion, and publicity, developing budgets, recruiting instructors, and scheduling facilities & equipment. Supervision may be exercised over clerical or other employees. Performs related duties as required.

NOTICE TO CANDIDATES: The use of calculators is **RECOMMENDED.** Unless otherwise notified, candidates are permitted to use quiet, hand-held, solar or battery powered calculators. Devices with typewriter keyboard such as computers, spell checkers, personal digital assistants, address books, language translators, dictionaries or any similar devices are prohibited. Cell phones and smart watches are prohibited.

DRUG SCREENING: Applicants may be required to undergo a drug-screening test to determine suitability for appointment in accordance with local policies. Applicants who test positive may be restricted from future certification.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY OR POSTMARKED BY THE FILING DEADLINE. YOUR APPLICATION WILL BE DISAPPROVED IF PAYMENT IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE FILING DEADLINE.

FILING DEADLINE

MAY 30, 2021

A non-refundable \$15.00 application fee is required. Apply and pay online or submit a check or money order payable to: Niagara County Civil Service

ANNOUNCEMENT ISSUED: April 16, 2021

EXAMINATION DATE

JULY 17, 2021

BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION: Applicants may be required to undergo a State and national criminal history background investigation, which will include a fingerprint check to determine suitability for appointment. Failure to meet the standards for the background investigation may result in disqualification.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR APPOINTMENT IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND BOCES: Per chapter 180 of the Laws of 2000, and by Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, to be employed in a position designated by a school district or BOCES as involving direct contact with students, a clearance for employment from the State Education Department is required.

<u>FEE WAIVERS</u>: Waivers for the filing fee must be completed in full and submitted with required documentation or your application will be disapproved.

SUBJECT OF EXAMINATION: There will be a written test which you must pass in order to be considered for appointment. The written test will be designed to test for knowledge, skills, and/or abilities in such areas as:

- **Educating and interacting with the public**: These questions test for knowledge of techniques used to interact effectively with individuals and/or community groups, to educate or inform them about topics of concern, to publicize or clarify agency programs or policies, to negotiate conflicts or resolve complaints, and to represent one's agency or program in a manner in keeping with good public relations practices. Questions may also cover interacting with others in cooperative efforts of public outreach or service.
- **Preparing written material**: These questions test for the ability to present information clearly and accurately, and to organize paragraphs logically and comprehensibly. For some questions, you will be given information in two or three sentences followed by four restatements of the information. You must then choose the best version. For other questions, you will be given paragraphs with their sentences out of order. You must then choose, from four suggestions, the best order for the sentences.
- **Understanding and interpreting written material**: These questions test for the ability to understand and interpret written material. You will be presented with brief reading passages and will be asked questions about the passages. You should base your answers to the questions **only** on what is presented in the passages and **not** on what you may happen to know about the topic.

The New York State Department of Civil Service has not prepared a test guide for this examination. However, candidates may find information in the publication 'General Guide to Written Tests' helpful in preparing for this test. This publication is available on line at: https://www.cs.ny.gov/testing/testguides.cfm.

<u>CANDIDATES NOTE</u>: You are responsible for completing all sections of the official application. To receive credit for experience on a job, basic information such as address, name and title of supervisor, hours in the work week, final salary, and duties performed by you, must be shown. Be very specific in explaining experience that will qualify you for the position sought. Ambiguity and vagueness will not be resolved in your favor. **EACH SEPARATE SHEET ATTACHED TO THE APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED.**

MULTIPLE EXAMINATIONS SCHEDULED FOR THE SAME DAY: If you have applied to take a written test announced by either one or several local jurisdictions (county, town, city) scheduled to be held on the same test date as this written test, you must notify each of the local jurisdictions no later than two weeks before the test date, so they can make arrangement for taking all tests at one test site. All examination for positions in State government will be held at a State Examination Center.

COLLEGE CREDITS MUST BE VERIFIED WITH AN OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT. If you have listed college or special courses on your application it will be necessary for you to submit an official transcript or special course certificate. Documents can be submitted electronically or in hardcopy format but must be on official letterhead or stationary. If these documents are not on file prior to canvassing/certification for vacant positions, your name will not be canvassed/certified and your name will be removed from consideration for all appointments.

This examination will be prepared and rated in accordance with Section 23(2) of the Civil Service Law. The provisions of the New York State Civil Service Law, Rules and Regulations dealing with preparation and rating of examinations, as well as establishment and certification of eligible lists for positions in the classified service will apply to this examination.

Please review <u>IMPORTANT EXAMINATION INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES</u>

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