BROOME COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL
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OPEN COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION FOR
PUBLIC HEALTH TECHNICIAN

Exam Number: 20-328

EXAMINATION DATE: March 28, 2020
LAST DATE TO FILE APPLICATION WITH PROCESSING FEE OR WAIVER*: February 5, 2020

***Processing Fee:** Twenty dollar **($20.00)** non-refundable check or money order is required for each separately numbered examination for which you apply. The required processing fee must accompany your examination application. **Credit cards, checks, or money orders payable to the Broome County Office of Management and Budget will be accepted.** Please be sure to include applicant's name and examination number on your check or money order. A check returned for insufficient funds may disqualify your application and result in further action and/or service charges.

If your application is disapproved, the fee will not be refunded. Compare your qualifications carefully with the requirements specified on this announcement and file only for those examinations for which you are clearly qualified. Be specific when completing the application; include all pertinent information including credit hours if applicable. Work experience must be paid unless otherwise specified. Part-time experience will be prorated.

***Only applications which are post-marked on or before the last date to file will be accepted. All interdepartmental mail must be received by the close of business on the last date to file. FAXED APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
Admission notices will be mailed to all approved candidates approximately 8 days before the examination. If you do not receive your letter by the Tuesday before the examination, please call 778-2185.

It is the responsibility of the candidate to notify the Broome County Department of Personnel of any change in name or address. No attempt will be made to locate candidates who have moved. The candidate change of information form is available at www.gobroomecounty.com/personnel/forms.

APPLICATION FEE WAIVER: A waiver of application fee will be allowed if you are unemployed and primarily responsible for the support of a household. In addition, a waiver of application fee will be allowed if you are determined eligible for Medicaid, or receiving Supplemental Security Income payments, or Public Assistance (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families/Family Assistance or Safety Net Assistance) or are certified Job Training Partnership Act/Workforce Investment Act eligible through a State or local social service agency. **All claims for application fee waiver are subject to verification. If you can verify eligibility for application fee waiver, complete a "Request for Application Fee Waiver and Certification" form and submit it with your application. Fee waiver forms are available at the Broome County Department of Personnel, the Department of Social Services or on line at** www.gobroomecounty.com**.**

MINIMUM SALARY	VACANCIES**	LOCATION OF WORK
$17.6084/hour	1	Broome County Department of Public Health

Eligible list: The eligible list established as a result of this examination will be used to fill vacancies, as they occur, in all Broome County departments, towns, villages, school districts, and special districts under the jurisdiction of the Broome County Personnel Officer.

**Vacancies – Positions may be filled temporarily at this time; however, the resulting eligible list must be used to permanently fill the position.

Residency: There are no residency requirements for this examination. However, preference in appointment may be given to successful candidates who, at the time of examination, are legal residents of the locality in which appointment is to be made. For appointment within Broome County departments, preference **will** be given to candidates who are residents of Broome County at the time of examination except as stated in Resolution 07-84.

DUTIES: This technical position exists in the Health Department and involves responsibility for assisting Public Health Sanitarians and Engineers in carrying out the various elements of prevention and control programs affecting public health. Employees in this class are responsible for making inspections and carrying out specialized phases of the Environmental Health Program in a municipal health department or other agency. Duties involve gathering information and data for use by Public Health Engineers and Sanitarians in determining compliance with local and State Sanitary Code requirements. Employees in this class are also responsible for assisting with the emergency preparedness and response program by providing assistance when necessary. The work is performed under general supervision of either a Public Health Sanitarian or Engineer, who reviews reports and provides advisory assistance as necessary. Supervision is not a responsibility of this position. Does related work as required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS*:
A) Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered two year college or university with an Associate's Degree including a minimum of 15 semester credit hours in the natural sciences** of which not more than six (6) credit hours may be in the applied sciences***, and have satisfactorily completed a public health training course approved by the State Health Department within two years of appointment; OR

B) Satisfactory completion of 60 semester credit hours of academic education at a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university including a minimum of 15 semester credit hours in natural sciences** of which not more than six (6) credit hours may be in the applied sciences***, and have satisfactorily completed a public health training course approved by the State Health Department within two years of appointment.

*Per Section 11.121 of the New York State Department of Health Codes, Rules and Regulations (NYSDOHCRR).

** Natural science shall mean a science such as biology, chemistry, or physics that deals with the objects, phenomena, or laws of nature and the physical world. It shall include all physical and biological sciences.

*** Applied science shall mean science based courses in environmental technology, sanitation technology, medical technology, public health, infection control, or food science.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: Certain assignments made to employees in this class will require reasonable access to transportation to meet field work requirements made in the ordinary course of business in a timely and efficient manner.

Anticipated eligibility: If you expect to complete the educational requirement by **December 31, 2020,** you can be admitted to this examination. If successful on the examination, you will not be certified for appointment until you have submitted proof of completion of the requirements to the Broome County Department of Personnel. Proof must be submitted by **March 1, 2021**; failure to do so will result in removal of your name from the eligible list.

SUBJECT OF EXAMINATION: A written test designed to evaluate knowledge, skills and/or abilities in the following areas:
1. **Arithmetic Reasoning**:
These questions test your ability to solve an arithmetic problem presented in sentence or short paragraph form.
2. **Understanding and interpreting written material**:
These questions test how well you comprehend written material.
3. **Principles of Biology, Chemistry and General Science**:
These questions test for a basic understanding of the physical world around you and the scientific laws that govern it.

Candidates must bring their picture ID and two sharpened #2 pencils to the examination. **USE OF CALCULATOR IS PERMITTED FOR THIS EXAMINATION.** Devices with typewriter keyboards, spell checkers, personal digital assistants, address books, language translators, dictionaries, or any similar devices are prohibited.

Rating: This written examination is being prepared and rated by the New York State Department of Civil Service, in accordance with Section 23-2 of the Civil Service Law. The provisions of the New York State Civil Service Rules and Regulations dealing with the rating of examinations will apply to this written test.

Applying for civil service examinations in multiple jurisdictions when examinations are scheduled on same date:
If you have **applied** for both a Broome County examination and an examination for another jurisdiction, both of which are scheduled for the same date, you must submit a Broome County Cross-filing Form indicating the site at which you intend to take your examination. The cross-filing form is available in our Department or online at http://gobroomecounty.com/files/personnel/pdfs/Crossfiling.pdf and should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the examinations.
Failure to submit the cross-filing form in a timely manner may result in our not being able to accommodate your request to sit at your choice of exam sites.
When taking both a State and Broome County examination, you will be required to take all your examinations at a State examination center. You will be advised by the State when and where to report for your examinations.

Religious accommodation/handicapped candidates/military personnel: If special arrangements for testing are required, indicate this on your application form.
Military Law provides special rights for members of the armed forces whose military service conflicts with scheduled civil service testing. Section 243-b (2) of Military Law states that "any member of the organized militia or reserves, who, because of active military duty other than for training purposes, missed the application filing period for an examination and as a result is deprived of the opportunity to compete in an examination, shall be given a special military make-up exam". Please contact the Department of Personnel for more information.
Special Requirement for Appointment in School Districts and BOCES:
Per 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.
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.
Children of Firefighters and Police Officers killed in the line of duty: "In conformance with section 85-A of the Civil Service Law, children of firefighters and police officers killed in the line of duty shall be entitled to receive an additional ten points in a competitive examination for original appointment in the same municipality in which his or her parent has served. If you are qualified to participate in this examination and are a child of a firefighter or police officer killed in the line of duty in this municipality, please inform the Department of Personnel of this matter when you submit your application for examination. A candidate claiming such credit has a minimum of two months from the application deadline to provide the necessary documentation to verify additional credit eligibility. However, no credit may be added after the eligible list has been established."
General Information/Instructions: A copy of the general instructions, announcement and applications may be obtained upon request to the Broome County Department of Personnel or from our website at www.gobroomecounty.com.
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