

ALBANY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL SERVICE

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ANNOUNCES A CONTINUOUS RECRUITMENT EXAMINATION FOR NETWORK AND SYSTEMS TECHNICIAN (BOCES) Exam # 50008

APPLICATIONS ARE ACCEPTED CONTINUOUSLY. CIVIL SERVICE STAFF REVIEWS APPLICATIONS PERIODICALLY AS NEEDED. APPROVED CANDIDATES WILL THEN BE SENT A NOTICE (BY MAIL OR EMAIL) CONTAINING DIRECTIONS TO A WEBSITE TO COMPLETE AN ONLINE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE QUESTIONNAIRE ADMINISTERED BY NEW YORK STATE CIVIL SERVICE.

Successful candidates' names will be inter-filed on the eligible list for a period of one (1) year. Names will appear on the list in the order of the final score regardless of the date the examination was taken.

FILING FEE: \$20.00 non-refundable filing fee for each application submitted. Submit application and credit card payment online via the Civil Service Portal at the web address above. If submitting a paper application, make check/money order payable to the Albany County Director of Finance. Include exam number on your check. Cash will be accepted if applying in person. **THERE IS NO COUNTY RESIDENT, COUNTY EMPLOYEE OR MILITARY VETERAN/ACTIVE-DUTY SERVICE MEMBER FILING FEE WAIVER FOR THIS EXAM.** The filing fee is waived for those receiving public assistance or unemployment benefits and the application must be accompanied by a completed Fee Waiver Request Form (ACS-04).

VACANCIES: List will be used to fill future vacancies as they occur in the Capital Region BOCES, serving school districts throughout the Capital Region and elsewhere in New York State.

SALARY: \$43,683 - \$72,218

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT: Not applicable.

DUTIES OF POSITION: Incumbent in this class designs, installs and maintains personal computers, local and wide area networks and the associated peripheral equipment. Incumbent has the responsibility for the identification and correction of network and system problems. Incumbent performs duties during normal business hours or during the night and weekends as required. Work is performed under the general supervision of a Senior Network and Systems Technician or other professional. Does related work as required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates must meet the following requirements on or before the last date for filing: EITHER:

- A. Graduation from a New York State or regionally accredited college or university with at least a Bachelor's Degree in management information systems, computer science, information resources management, information technology, or a closely related field and one (1) year of full-time, paid experience in the installation, configuration, troubleshooting and maintenance of computer systems **and** networks; OR,
- B. Graduation from a New York State or regionally accredited college or university with an Associate's Degree in management information systems, computer science, information resources management, information technology, or a closely related field and two (2) years of full-time, paid experience in the installation, configuration, troubleshooting and maintenance of computer systems **and** networks; OR,
- C. Graduation from high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma and three (3) years of full-time, paid experience in the installation, configuration, troubleshooting and maintenance of computer systems **and** networks.

NOTE: Copies of college transcripts are required if you qualify under A or B.

NOTE: See general instructions to applicants' page for the experience rating scale.

NOTE:

1. Successful completion of a three (3) credit semester hour course in college-level computer science, computer information systems, or a closely-related field may be substituted for three months of appropriate experience.
2. Successful completion of a course of study offered by a technical training institute, college or corporate training program may be substituted for one year of appropriate experience, if the following conditions are met:
 - a. The course of training involves learning the fundamental aspects of computer programming, systems analysis, telecommunications, LAN/WAN system configuration or a similar course with technical emphasis on the operation of a connected computer system.
 - b. The candidate provides an official description of the coursework and evidence that it was successfully completed.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION:

Rated Evaluation of Training and Experience: The examination will consist of a rated evaluation of training and experience. You will complete a questionnaire that asks for specific information on your information technology education (formal degrees, IT-related training courses, certifications) and experience. You will also be asked to briefly describe a significant achievement in each of the job's areas and to provide the name and contact information for someone who can verify your information. The information you provide about your experience will be rated against the following areas:

- Help Desk
- User Support
- Network Administration
- Data Communications
- Telecommunications
- Business/Systems Analysis
- Microcomputer Repair

♦ If submitting a paper application, use form ACS-21, the Albany County Application for Examination and Employment. All forms and other information may be found on our website: www.albanycounty.com/civilservice .

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING PAGE(S) FOR ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS

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The applicant should be certain that all required sections of the application are completed or disqualification may result. **Education and work experience should be documented on the application regardless if the candidate has elected to attach a résumé.** All statements made by candidates in their applications are subject to verification.

TRANSCRIPTS: If a college transcript is required per the announcement, copies of the original are acceptable and should be submitted with the application or as soon as possible after applying. See our transcript policy at: www.albanycounty.com/civilservice

EXPERIENCE RATING SCALE: Experience will be rated as follows: 1-10 hours worked per week = ¼ time; 11-20 hours worked per week = ½ time; 21-30 hours worked per week = ¾ time; 31-40 hours worked per week = full time. On a paper application, when entering average number of hours worked per week, enter a single number that is the closest approximation and **not** a range.

LAST FILING DATE: It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the application and appropriate filing fee are received by the Albany County Department of Civil Service or postmarked by the United States Postal Service on or before the last filing date of the examination.

VETERANS' CREDITS: For the purpose of claiming veterans' credits on a civil service examination, an applicant must have been honorably discharged or released under honorable circumstances after serving on active duty with the armed forces of the United States during time of war.

- Disabled and non-disabled veterans who establish eligibility for additional credits and are successful in the examination are entitled to have 10 and 5 points, respectively, (5 and 2.5 points in the case of promotional examinations) added to their earned scores, and provided they have not previously used such credits to obtain permanent appointment or promotion. Veterans may determine to waive the use of their credits at any time up to the time of permanent appointment or promotion.
- Veterans and disabled veterans who are eligible for additional credit must submit a copy of their separation papers (DD-214) within two (2) months of the last filing date for the examination. Veterans' credits can only be added to a passing score on the examination.
- A candidate currently in the armed forces may apply for and be conditionally granted veterans' credits in examinations. Any candidate who applies for such credit must provide proof of military status to receive the conditional credit. **No credit may be granted after the establishment of the list.** It is the responsibility of the candidate to provide appropriate documentary proof indicating that the service was in time of war, as defined in Section 85 of the Civil Service Law, and that the candidate received an honorable discharge or was released under honorable conditions in order to be certified at a score including veterans' credits.
- If a veteran previously received five (non-disabled) points on an open-competitive examination and subsequently became certified as disabled, he or she would be entitled to receive another five (disabled) points on a subsequent examination whether an open-competitive or a promotion examination.
- If a veteran previously received two and one-half (non-disabled) points on a promotion examination and subsequently became certified as disabled, he or she would be entitled to receive another seven and one-half (disabled) points on a subsequent examination whether an open-competitive or a promotion examination.

ADDITIONAL CREDITS FOR 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 (10) 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 this office of this 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.

ALTERNATE TEST DATE POLICY: This policy and the required application can be found on our website: www.albanycounty.com/civilservice . The policy clearly states the specific circumstances whereby a candidate may be eligible for an alternate test date. The candidate will be contacted by email or phone to make arrangements. Be aware that alternate test dates are during our normal business hours.

SABBATH OBSERVERS/DISABLED CANDIDATES/MILITARY MEMBERS: Applicants whose religious beliefs or military service prevent their taking examinations on the scheduled date and disabled candidates who require special accommodations to take the test should indicate the need for special arrangements when applying. Candidates who are called to military service after filing an application should contact Albany County Civil Service as soon as possible at csinfo@albanycounty.com or (518) 447-7770.

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. Eligible candidates may be required to pay a fingerprint-processing fee associated with this special requirement.

ELIGIBLE LISTS:

- For continuous recruitment exams, candidates will have their names placed on the eligible list for a maximum period of one year in the order of their exam score regardless of the date on which they took the exam. Rank on the list changes regularly depending on declinations, appointments and new names being added to the list.
- For all other types of exams, eligible lists are in effect for a minimum of one year up to a maximum of four years unless superseded by a new exam.
- Changing conditions may make it necessary to canvass future vacancies at higher or lower salaries than those originally announced.

CONTACT THIS OFFICE AT CSINFO@ALBANYCOUNTY.COM OR (518) 447-7770 WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

THE NEW YORK STATE HUMAN RIGHTS LAW (ARTICLE 15) PROHIBITS DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT BECAUSE OF AGE, RACE, CREED, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, MILITARY STATUS, SEX, MARITAL STATUS OR DISABILITY.

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