



SCHUYLER COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE

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Examination Notice – Open Competitive
Public Health Nurse
Decentralized – Exam #PHN021119
Training & Experience

LAST DATE TO FILE: February 8, 2019

RATING DATE: February 11, 2019

SALARY: \$29.45 with excellent benefits

EXAM FEE: \$15.00 non-refundable application fee must accompany application, payable by cash, money order, or check made payable to the Schuyler County Treasurer. Please write the name and number of the examination on the check.

VACANCY: One vacancy in this title is currently filled provisionally in the Schuyler County Public Health Department. Permanent appointments will be made from the eligible list that results from this examination. The eligible list will also be used to fill any appropriate full-time and/or part-time vacancies as they occur in Schuyler County.

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT: None

JOB DESCRIPTION: The work involves responsibility for performing public health nursing duties in the County Health Department. The duties include assessment of health care needs of patients, development and implementation of nursing care plans, and the conduct of community health intervention programs such as immunization and health clinics and health education. Public Health Nurses participate in community educational activities that further awareness of and foster improved health habits in the population. The work is performed under the general supervision of the Director of Public Health with a wide leeway allowed for the use of independent judgment in carrying out work assignments. Does related work as required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Possession of a license and current registration issued by the State of New York to practice as a Registered Professional Nurse and a Bachelor's degree in nursing from a regionally accredited college or university or one accredited by the New York State Board of Regents to grant degrees. Possession of a valid New York State driver's license.

SUBJECT OF EXAMINATION: The only subject of examination will be an evaluation of your training and experience. If you meet the Minimum Qualifications, your training and experience will be evaluated against the general background of the position. You are, therefore, asked to include in your application a summary of all pertinent training and experience in sufficient detail so that your background may be evaluated against the duties of the position.

In your summary of training, include all college course work, formal in-service training and seminars you have attended. You must specify either the number of credits received or the number of contact hours and dates of attendance. Also include a copy of your professional license. Specify the date that your license was first issued.

In your summary of experience, you must specify the dates of your employment, the number of hours worked per week, your title and the main duties for each. Be specific; vagueness and ambiguity will not be resolved in your favor. Candidates who submit incomplete applications or documentation may be disqualified.

The rating scale for this examination has been prepared by the New York State Department of Civil Service. Rating will be performed by the Schuyler County Department of Civil Service, in accordance with Rule 10 of the Schuyler County Civil Service Rules, using the State-developed rating scale.

Applications and announcements are available at www.schuylercounty.us or the Schuyler County Civil Service Office 105 Ninth St., Unit 21, Watkins Glen, NY 14891 (607) 535-8190
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Issue Date: January 14, 2019

SCHUYLER COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE—GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR EXAMINATIONS

Application: An original application must be filed for each separate examination. Applications must be received by 4:30pm on the “Last Filing Date” to be considered for this examination. We do not make formal acknowledgement of the receipt of an application or take responsibility for non-delivery or postal delay. Submission of a resume does not relieve you of the responsibility for completing all sections of the application. Answer every question; incomplete applications will be disapproved. Be sure to read the detailed announcement to determine whether or not you meet the announced requirements. No fee refund will be made to applicants who are disqualified or fail to appear for the examination. Notify this office if your address changes after applying. No attempt will be made to locate candidates who have moved. Download application and forms at web site www.schuylercounty.us.

Education: A copy of your diploma should be submitted if you qualify by possession of a degree. Transcripts should be submitted whenever the qualifications require a specific college major or specified number of credits.

Fee and Fee Waiver: Application fee of \$15 (\$25 for Uniformed Protective Services exams) must be submitted with application. Cash, money order or check made payable to Schuyler County Treasurer. Write exam name and number on check. The examination fee may be waived for persons claiming to be “unemployed and primarily responsible for the support of a household.” Use Schuyler County Waiver form.

Application Review: Disqualified candidates will receive a disapproval letter and will have the opportunity to submit facts in opposition to disqualification. Approved candidates will receive an admission letter a week before the date of the exam telling when and where to appear for the examination. If you do not receive your letter within five days of the examination, call the Civil Service office at 607-535-8190. Falsification or material misstatements of any part of the application may result in disqualification from the exam or from permanent competitive appointment. Statements on the application may be verified after the examination is held. At that time those candidates not meeting the requirements will be disqualified.

Residency: Candidates must be legal residents of Schuyler County or one of the contiguous counties (Yates, Seneca, Steuben, Chemung, or Tompkins) for at least one month immediately preceding the examination date. For some examinations, residency may be waived. Under Section 23-4a of Civil Service Law, a municipality may request a certification of eligible candidates who have been residents of that municipality for at least one month prior to certification.

Multiple Examinations: Qualified candidates may take a combination of examinations being given on the same date. The time limit for any combination or series of examinations cannot exceed eight (8) hours.

Cross-filing: If you’re applying for civil service examinations in multiple jurisdictions when examinations are scheduled on the same date, you must make arrangements to take all the examinations at one test site. You must apply in each jurisdiction and notify each that you are cross-filing. If you have applied for both state and local examinations, you must take all your examinations at the state center. To make arrangements, call (518) 457-7022 no later than two weeks before the test date.

Calculators: Unless otherwise notified, candidates are permitted to use a quiet hand-held, solar or battery powered calculator. Devices with typewriter keyboards, spell checkers, personal digital assistants, address books, language translators, dictionaries, or any similar devices are prohibited. No books or other reference materials are allowed.

Eligible Lists: Unless otherwise noted, the final rank order of the eligible list established as a result of this exam will be determined on the basis of the scores received on the written test, plus veterans and seniority credits where appropriate. The resulting eligible list for this examination will not be less than one year but no more than four years. Appointment from an eligible list must be made from the top three candidates willing to accept the appointment.

Rating: This examination is announced and will be rated 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 exams will apply to this examination.

Veterans/Military: Veterans or disabled veterans who wish to claim additional credit must submit a copy of their DD-214 and supporting paperwork before the eligible list is established. The requirements set by NYS for these credits must be met. Military Service members on active duty on the exam date may request a military make-up examination.

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. You must inform this office when you submit your application and must also submit documentation before the eligible list is established.

Religious Observers: Most tests are held on Saturdays. If the test date conflicts with a religious observance or practice, check the box on the application. Arrangements will be made for an alternate test date, usually the following Monday.

Disabled Persons: If special accommodations for testing are required, please indicate in writing the disability and desired conditions necessary to accommodate your disability by the last filing date of the exam.

School District Positions: 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 as involving direct contact with students, a clearance for employment from that state education department is required.

Background Investigation: Candidates may be required to pass a pre-employment drug test and/or undergo a State and national criminal history background investigation, including a fingerprint check, to determine suitability for appointment.

NYS Dept. of Civil Service publications, *How to Take a Written Test*, and *Questions and Answers About Municipal Civil Service Examinations* are available at their web site (www.cs.state.ny.us/msd/map.html).