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# WESTCHESTER COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR CURRENT EMPLOYEES

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Exam #: 17-799

Applications Continuously Accepted Effective Date: 8/05/15 JBCL: S789 Exam Date: HELD DURING THE WEEK (Monday thru Friday) Evaluation of Training & Experience and a Qualifying PC-Administered Test

## Associate Network Specialist (BOCES #2)

BOCES #2 - Lower Hudson Regional Information Center

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The results from this written examination are used for appointment to applicable positions in BOCES #2 – Lower Hudson Regional Information Center.

## <u>SALARY</u>

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## **QUALIFYING EXPERIENCE**

Immediately preceding the time of examination must have 12 months continuous permanent competitive class status as a Network Specialist in BOCES #2.

# Candidates are eligible for appointment only in the jurisdiction in which they have status at time of examination.

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## **DUTIES**

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## VACANCIES

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## **SUBJECT OF EXAMINATION**

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### **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	Business/Systems Analysis
Network Administration	Microcomputer Repair

### **Qualifying Tests:**

 Qualifying Multiple-Choice Test of Logical Reasoning and Interpreting Instructions for Computer-Related Positions - These questions test for ability to reason logically and interpret instructions in a computer-related context. They cover verbal and quantitative reasoning, flowchart interpretation and applying written directions. The verbal and quantitative reasoning questions include logical implications (e.g., if A and B, then C) and relations (e.g., greater than). Knowledge of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division is necessary, but neither mathematical sophistication nor computational speed is needed. The flowchart interpretation questions require prior knowledge of flowchart conventions. The interpreting instructions questions provide the instructions and specific rules for applying them. All the information needed to answer the questions is presented with the questions.

- 2. Qualifying Simulation Test on Working Effectively with Others to Solve Job-Related Problems - This test requires candidates to assume the role of a staff member in an Information Technology work group who is working with colleagues during a time of change in policy or procedure, in a particular agency. During the test, candidates will be required to deal with obstacles within the working environment, which includes peer relations and the demands of handling multiple tasks. Candidates will be required to demonstrate the ability to be flexible, creative and persistent as a team player. They will also need to demonstrate the ability to cooperate, show initiative, and establish positive working relationships with peers and administrators.
- 3. Qualifying Simulation Test of User Support and Training The test requires candidates to assume the role of a staff member in a Help Desk support unit. Candidates will be presented with a users problem. During the course of handling the problem, candidates will be required to: demonstrate communication skills, apply troubleshooting practices and tools, determine the appropriate level of training needed by the user, and educate the user on the proper use of computers.

**WAIVER POLICY:** If a candidate has passed, within the past 12 months, an IT Qualifying Test, prepared by the New York State Department of Civil Service using the same test plan, the qualifying test may be waived. A candidate requesting such a waiver must submit verifiable evidence of passing the qualifying test, including the name of the Civil Service agency that administered the test and the test date.

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- 3. RETESTS Candidates are barred from taking this examination series for twelve months from the last date on which they participated.
- 4. FOR COUNTY EMPLOYMENT In accordance with Westchester County's comprehensive Drug-Free Workplace Policy and Procedures, and commitment to maintain a safe, alcohol and drug- free work environment, you may be required to submit to a urinalysis and/or blood test.
- 5. 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 the preparation and rating of examinations will apply to this examination.
- 6. Veterans and Veterans with Disabilities, who meet the criteria set forth in the Application for Examination, may be eligible for additional credits added to their earned scores if successful in examination. CREDITS MUST BE CLAIMED AT THE TIME OF FILING YOUR APPLICATION FOR EXAMINATION AND YOU MUST ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR DD214 SEPARATION PAPERS. If claiming credit as a Veteran with a disability, attach form 102. If these documents are not submitted within sixty days of filing your application, your claim will be denied. "Active duty members of the Armed Forces have the right to request veteran credits prior to discharge. If you are currently on active duty you should check the appropriate box on the application and attach a letter requesting the use of credits with documentation verifying your active duty status: i.e. copy of military ID, military orders, official documents indicating current service, etc." See our website section "Special Rights for Veterans" for details regarding the use of these credits.

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## <u>SALARY</u>

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## **QUALIFYING EXPERIENCE**

Immediately preceding the time of examination must have 12 months continuous permanent competitive class status as an Assistant Computer Systems Manager;

### OR

Immediately preceding the time of examination must have 12 months continuous permanent competitive class status in an information technology title in the appointing jurisdiction and meet the following qualifications:

Satisfactory completion of 60 college credits\* and six (6) years of experience where the primary function was the operation and maintenance of a computer system, including or supplemented by two (2) years of experience which must have included the evaluation, analyses or planning of automated data processing systems.

<u>SUBSTITUTIONS</u>: Satisfactory completion of an <u>additional</u> 30 credits\* may be substituted on a year for year basis for up to two (2) years of the general experience. A Bachelor's Degree\* in Information Technology, Computer Science, Computer Programming or a closely related field may be substituted for three (3) years of the general experience; and a Master's Degree\* in one of the aforementioned fields may be substituted for four (4) years of the general experience. There is no substitution for the two (2) years of specialized experience described above.

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