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DUTCHESS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES ANNOUNCES AN OPEN COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION FOR:

Title: Director of Technology

Number: 86961010

Salary: \$96,055-125,500 – varies with agency

Date of Examination: 12/7/2024

Applications Accepted Until: 11/1/2024

Applications postmarked 11/1/2024 will be accepted.

Applications accepted until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Administration of an exam does not imply a vacancy exists.

A \$15.00 fee and examination application is required for each separately numbered examination: Application processing fee is payable by check, money order or credit card. Cash is **NOT** accepted. Check or money order must be made payable to "Commissioner of Finance" with the examination number and title indicated on the check or money order. The fee may be waived for candidates meeting certain criteria. See application for more details regarding fee waiver. **Read the announcement carefully; the application processing fee will NOT** be refunded to disapproved applicants.

<u>VACANCY</u>: The eligible list established as a result of this examination will be used, when appropriate, to fill vacancies as they occur in all units under the jurisdiction of the Dutchess County Department of Human Resources.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates must meet the following requirements on or before December 7, 2024.

EITHER: (A) Master's Degree in Business Administration, Computer Science, Computer Information Systems,

Communications, Technology or related field and five (5) years of experience in integrating technology and/or providing technology services in an educational environment, three (3) of which shall have been in a supervisory

capacity;

(B) Bachelor's degree in Business Administration, Computer Science, Computer Information Systems,

Communications, Technology or related field and seven (7) years of experience as outlined in (A) above, three (3)

of which shall have been in a supervisory capacity;

<u>NOTE</u>: Supervision experience includes but is not limited to, assigning and reviewing work, evaluating performance, maintaining work standards, motivating and developing subordinate employees, implementing procedural changes, increasing efficiency and dealing with problems of absenteeism, morale and disciple. The supervision aspects must be an integral part of the job, not incidental or occasional.

<u>DUTIES</u>: This work involves responsibility for the administration and direction of a school district's technology department, including day-to-day operation and long-range planning. Incumbent is responsible for supervising technology and support staff and for coordinating the implementation of technology into the school district. Work is performed under the general supervision of the Assistant Superintendent or a higher-level administrator with wide leeway allowed to exercise independent judgement in carrying out the details of the work.

EXAMPLES OF WORK (Illustrative Only): Directs and oversees the day-to-day operation of the technology department and the implementation of technology into the school district; Works with administrative staff and school(s) on the development of long and short term goals for technology; Supervises, trains and evaluates technical staff in installation, repair and maintenance of all computer hardware, data communication systems, and related technology equipment within the school district; Oversees security and control of the computer network including, but not limited to, access to and security for all systems, data integrity and confidentiality of files within the school district; Prepares and oversees departmental budget and is responsible for the selection and purchase or lease of all hardware, software, and related equipment; Coordinates staff development and training programs for generalized and specialized areas of information processing, database management and relevant technology applications; Supports technology for analyzing local and state assessment data, student management and all information systems; Serves as a resource person to address diverse technology issues; May update and maintain district website; Attends conferences and training as needed, including regional meetings to promote collaboration and efficiencies.

SUBJECT OF EXAMINATION: A test designed to evaluate knowledge, skills and /or abilities in the following areas:

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.

Administrative techniques and practices

These questions test for a knowledge of management techniques and practices used in directing or assisting in directing a program component or an organizational segment. Questions cover such areas as interpreting policies, making decisions based on the context of the position in the organization, coordinating programs or projects, communicating with employees or the public, planning employee training, and researching and evaluating areas of concern.

Project management

These questions are designed to test for techniques and concepts of project management. They may cover, but not necessarily be confined to, management of systems development, management by objectives, project scheduling and control techniques (e.g., PERT), characteristics of organizations and of the systems life cycle, and the development of data processing standards.

Supervision

These questions test for knowledge of the principles and practices employed in planning, organizing, and controlling the activities of a work unit toward predetermined objectives. The concepts covered, usually in a situational question format, include such topics as assigning and reviewing work; evaluating performance; maintaining work standards; motivating and developing subordinates; implementing procedural change; increasing efficiency; and dealing with problems of absenteeism, morale, and discipline.

Test guide

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.

The use of calculators is **ALLOWED** for this exam.

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ISSUED: 10/17/2024

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AT https://dutchess-portal.mycivilservice.com/ or www.dutchessny.gov

When the examination is prepared and rated by the New York State Department of Civil Service in accordance with Section 23.2 of the Civil Service Law, the administration of this examination, including rating and review, is governed by the provisions of the New York State Civil Service Rules and Regulations.

<u>RETURNED CHECK FEE</u>: A \$20.00 fee will be required for all returned checks. Failure to submit the returned check fee will disqualify you from the exam in which you participated.

<u>FINGERPRINTING</u>: An appointing authority may require a fingerprint supported background investigation before appointment. The candidate may be responsible for paying any associated fees with this service.

<u>MULTIPLE EXAMINATIONS</u>: If you are applying for civil service examinations offered by other government jurisdictions (New York State, another county, city, etc.) that are being held on the same date as this examination, you must make arrangements to take all examinations at one test site. Note: If you have applied for both New York State and Dutchess County examinations, you must take all examinations at the State site. **You are required to complete and return a <u>Cross-Filer Form</u>, available on the Dutchess County website <u>www.dutchessny.gov</u>, to the Dutchess County Department of Human Resources no less than two (2) weeks prior to the examination date**. Failure to provide such information within this time frame may result in disqualification from one or more examinations.

<u>ALTERNATE TEST DATES</u> may be arranged upon review of documented circumstances in accordance with established policy. Such arrangements must be made prior to the exam except for emergency situations or active military service.

<u>RELIGIOUS ACCOMMODATION</u>: – If you cannot take the test on the announced test date (most written exams held on Saturdays) due to a conflict with a religious observance or practice, indicate this on your application. You will be granted an alternate test date, usually during the following week.

<u>SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION</u>: If you require an accommodation or special assistance in taking an exam, indicate this on your application. Documentation will be required.

<u>WEATHER</u>: In case of inclement weather the morning of the examination, please call the Examinations Hotline at 845-486-2167 and select option 3. You may also listen to the following radio stations for possible delays or other updates:

WEOK/WPDH WKIP/Q92 WBNR/WSPK **WCZX** WGNY WRWD/WBWZ 1450AM 1260AM 107.3FM/93.3FM 1390AM 97.7FM 1220AM 101.5FM 92.1FM 104.7FM 103.1FM

<u>COLLEGE CREDITS AND/OR DEGREE</u>: Your degree or college credit must have been awarded by a college or university accredited by a regional, national, or specialized agency recognized as an accrediting agency by the U.S. Department of Education/U.S. Secretary of Education. If your degree was awarded by an educational institution outside the United States and its territories, you must provide independent verification of equivalency. A list of acceptable companies who provide this service can be found on the internet at http://www.cs.ny.gov/jobseeker/degrees.cfm. You must pay the required evaluation fee.

<u>VETERANS</u>: Military personnel who are either in the service at time of examination or who have already been discharged may apply for disabled or non-disabled veterans' credits if they meet established criteria. Candidates who are interested in these additional credits should request an application and information sheet from the Dutchess County Department of Human Resources. Veterans' application forms will also be available on the website and upon request at the examination center. The completed forms and DD-214 (Member 4 Copy) must be received in the office as soon as possible after the examination date or before the eligible list for this examination is established.

<u>CALCULATORS</u>: Unless otherwise notified, candidates are permitted to use quiet, hand-held, solar or battery powered calculators. Devices with typewriter keyboards, spell checkers, personal digital assistants, address books, language translators, dictionaries or any similar devices are prohibited.

<u>ADMISSION TO EXAMINATION</u>: Do not interpret a notice to appear for, or actual participation in the examination to mean that you have been found to meet fully the announced requirements.

Depending on the time available before an examination, applicants may be admitted to the examination on the basis of statements made on the application or conditionally, without prior review of the application. Such statements may not be reviewed and/or verified until after the examination is held. At that time, those candidates not meeting the requirements are disqualified. Candidates who are subsequently disqualified after taking the test will NOT be notified of their score.

If you do not receive a notice <u>three days prior</u> to the date of examination informing you whether or not you are to be admitted to the examination, call the Dutchess County Department of Human Resources immediately at 845-486-2169.

<u>CHANGE OF ADDRESS</u>: Notify this office immediately of any change of address. The appropriate change of address form is available on the website, in the Dutchess County Department of Human Resources, and will be available at the examination center.

<u>RESIDENCE PREFERENCE</u>: Pursuant to Section 23.4a of Civil Service Law, preference in appointment from open-competitive lists may be given to candidates who have been residents in a locality or school district in which appointment is to be made for at least 30 days prior to certification of the eligible list. For appointment in some jurisdictions you may be required to become a resident thereof in accordance with law or resolution.

NOTE: 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 this office 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.

<u>APPLICATIONS</u>: May be obtained online at <u>www.dutchessny.gov</u>, by sending a legal-sized, self-addressed, stamped envelope or visiting the Dutchess County Department of Human Resources, 22 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 (9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday through Friday).

"HOW TO TAKE A WRITTEN TEST" and questions and answers about MUNICIPAL CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS publications are available on and can be fully downloaded from the New York State Department of Civil Service website www.cs.ny.gov/testing/localtestguides.cfm.