

WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL SERVICE ADMINISTRATION
Announces
OPEN COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION
For
HEAD CUSTODIAN

LAST FILING DATE:	May 2, 2018	STATE NO.	60442
EXAMINATION DATE:	June 9, 2018	LOCAL NO.	3040

NON-REFUNDABLE \$10.00 APPLICATION FEE REQUIRED
(CHECK OR MONEY ORDER ONLY – NO CASH)

LOCATION/VACANCIES: This examination is being held to establish an eligible list to present or future vacancies that may exist or occur in any agency administered by Warren County Civil Service.

SALARY: Varies with Agency.

RESIDENCY: Candidates must have been legal residents of Warren County or a contiguous county (Essex, Hamilton, Saratoga, Washington) for at least four months immediately preceding the date of the exam. Preference in appointment may be given to those residents who reside in the district where the vacancy occurs.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Three years of experience in building cleaning and maintenance work, or three years of experience in any of the standard mechanical or construction trades, or an equivalent combination of experience.

DUTIES:

Makes regular inspections of buildings and grounds to maintain proper cleaning and maintenance procedures and makes recommendations for improvements or new equipment;
Schedules and assigns cleaning and maintenance work of Custodians and/or Cleaners;
Inspects and otherwise exercises control over maintenance work performed by outside contractors;
Checks to insure that buildings are heated, cleaned, locked and unlocked and in readiness for all activities;
Keeps records and makes reports of supplies used and activities carried on;
Assists with cleaning and maintenance activities when necessary;
Reports any acts of vandalism or breakage to the proper authorities.

SUBJECTS OF EXAM:

Subjects of examination: A written test designed to evaluate knowledge, skills and /or abilities in the following areas:

1. ***Ability to read and follow written instructions:*** :These questions test for the ability to read, understand and apply written instructions for performing tasks similar to those encountered on the job. All the information needed to answer these questions will be provided in the test booklet.

2. ***Building cleaning:*** These questions test for knowledge of basic principles and practices of building cleaning. They cover such areas as equipment, tools, supplies, methods and procedures for cleaning different types of surfaces and materials under various, commonly occurring circumstances.

3. ***Building operation and maintenance I:*** These questions test for knowledge of the basic principles, practices and techniques essential to the correct operation and maintenance of public buildings. They cover such areas as building maintenance; preventive maintenance, and minor repair of electrical and plumbing systems; methods and equipment for snow removal; building safety and equipment storage.

4. ***Operation and routine maintenance of heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems:*** These questions test for knowledge of basic principles, practices and techniques essential to the correct operation and maintenance of heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems, including such areas as minor cleaning; room temperature and building ventilation control; steam, hot water and hot air heating systems; boiler operation; troubleshooting air conditioning system problems, and proper maintenance of air conditioning systems.

5. **Supervision and training:** These questions test for the knowledge required by a supervisor to set goals, plan and organize work, train workers in how to do their jobs, and direct workers towards meeting established goals. The supervisory questions cover such areas as assigning and reviewing work, evaluating performance, maintaining work quality, motivating employees, increasing efficiency, and dealing with problems that may arise on the job. The training questions cover such areas as determining the necessity for training, selecting appropriate training methods, and evaluating the effectiveness of training.

A Guide for the Written Test for High-level Custodians is available at the New York State website:

www.cs.ny.gov/testing/localtestguides.cfm Candidates not having access to a computer or the internet may request copy of the test guide from the municipal civil service office conducting this examination using the contact information found elsewhere on this announcement.

NOTE: Unless otherwise notified, candidates are **ALLOWED** to use quiet, hand-held solar or battery powered calculators. Devices with typewriter keyboards, Spell Checker, Personal Digital Assistants, Address Books, Language Translators, Dictionaries, or any similar devices are **PROHIBITED**. No books or reference material will be allowed into the examination site. Cell phones are **PROHIBITED**.

HOW TO APPLY: Applications and information may be obtained from the Warren County Department of Civil Service Administration, or from the web site: www.warrencountyny.gov/civilservice. Application/exam fee must be submitted to the Warren County Civil Service Administration before the close of business at 4:30p.m. on the last filing date listed on the Examination Announcement. Applications received via U.S. Mail will be accepted only if postmarked on or before the last filing date. You are responsible for completing **ALL** sections of the official application. To receive credit for experience on a job, basic information such as address, name and title of supervisor, hours in the workweek, final salary, etc. must be shown. Ambiguity and vagueness **WILL NOT** be resolved in your favor.

APPLICATION FEE: An application processing fee as specified on this announcement must accompany the application. **CHECK OR MONEY ORDER ONLY** must be payable to **WARREN COUNTY TREASURER. DO NOT SEND CASH. YOU MUST LIST THE EXAM NUMBER ON THE CHECK OR MONEY ORDER.** You are responsible for comparing your qualifications with the minimum qualifications posted on this examination announcement. **THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS** if your application is disapproved.

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 the Exam Fee Waiver and Certification section on the application or submit the "Application for Fee Waiver and Certification" form with your application by the close of business on the Last Filing Date as listed on the Examination Announcement.**

Veteran's Credits: Veterans or disabled veterans who may be eligible for additional credits must check the appropriate areas on the application and also submit a separate **Application for Veteran's Credits** and supporting documentation. Applications and information on veteran's credits may be obtained at the Warren County Department of Civil Service Administration.

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, notify this office of this matter when you submit your application for examination

Saturday Sabbath Observers – Physically Challenged Individuals – Active Military Members: Applicants whose religious beliefs or military service prevent their taking examinations on the scheduled date and candidates with a disability who require reasonable accommodations to take the test must clearly indicate the need for special arrangements on their Application. Candidates who are called to military service after filing an Application should send requests for an alternate test date to our Office as soon as possible before the test date. Military Service Members who apply for an examination during the filing period but are on active military duty on the date the examination is scheduled may request a military make-up examination. If you are on active duty or discharged after the filing period has begun, you may apply for the examination up to ten days before the test date. You must submit with your application the type of special arrangements or reasonable accommodations requested accompanied by all supporting documentation.

Multiple Exams Scheduled for the Same Date: If you have applied with any other local Civil Service agency for any other examination held on the same day, you must make arrangements with each agency to take all your examinations at one test site no later than two weeks before the test date. If you have applied for both State and Local examinations, you must make arrangements with this agency to take all your examinations at a State examination center no later than two weeks before the test date. If you have questions please contact Warren County Civil Service at (518) 761-6440.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. Positive identification will be required at the test site.
 2. Falsification of any part of the "Application for Employment" will result in disqualification.
 3. Applicants must answer every question on the application form and make sure that the application is complete in regard to meeting the minimum qualifications for this examination. There will be no refund of the application fee should your application be disapproved. Time and place of the examination will be mailed to candidates whose application has been approved, one week before examination date.
 4. Where a degree is required for minimum qualification, do not send transcript unless required on this announcement.
 5. Appointments from an eligible list must be made from the top three candidates willing to accept appointment. All eligible lists will be established for a maximum of four years or the establishment of a new list. It is probable that a number of titles will have an insufficient number of candidates and examinations for these titles will be held on a more regular basis with eligible lists being replaced within the four-year period. Candidates are advised to review our examination postings at our web site: www.warrencountyny.gov/civilservice. Candidates will NOT be notified should eligible lists expire within the four-year period.
 6. It is the responsibility of the candidate to notify the Warren County Department of Civil Service of any change in name and/or address. No attempt will be made to locate candidates who have moved.
 7. The passing grade for this examination is 70. Background checks may be required for appointment.
 8. The salary of this position is subject to change from time to time, or may be different in agencies serviced by the Warren County Department of Civil Service; vacancies may, therefore, be filled at a higher or lower salary than the one announced.
 9. **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.
 10. **BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION:** Applicants may be required to undergo extensive investigation of criminal history and/or background, which may include a fingerprint check, to determine suitability for appointment. Costs related to such investigation may be borne by the applicant. Failure to meet the standards of investigation may result in disqualification.
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This written test is being prepared and rated by the N.Y.S. Department of Civil Service in accordance with Section 23-2 of the Civil Service Law. The provisions of the N.Y.S. Civil Service Rules and Regulations dealing with the rating of examinations will apply to this exam.

ISSUED: April 6, 2018

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