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Vision: A vibrant community where every citizen has the opportunity to be healthy, safe and successful

<u>Mission</u>: Provide strategic and responsive public services that are fiscally responsible and sensitive to the diverse and changing needs of our community

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS ASSITANT (SCHOOLS) (VICTOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT) Civil Service Exam held in Ontario County (Promotional) Exam Date April 5, 2025 Exam Number 70013-240 Application Fee* \$15.00 (Do not send cash) Application Deadline March 13, 2025 *The non-refundable Application and Administrative Fees A *Fee Waiver is available to candidates who meet the requirements. Application (credit or debit card only).

Pay Rate: Victor Central School District starting salary: \$52,000/yr.

<u>Vacancy</u>: The Victor Central School District has one (1) position currently held by a provisionally appointed employee, who may be appointed on a permanent basis if found reachable on the Civil Service Eligible List established as a result of this examination.

This examination is being held to establish an Eligible List to fill future vacancies in this title, which may occur during the life of the Eligible List. An eligible may receive only one Permanent appointment from this Eligible List. If an eligible accepts a Contingent-Permanent appointment their name will be removed from the Eligible List only for the department or agency in which she/he received the Contingent-Permanent appointment. Once appointed, there will be a probation period of 8 to 26-weeks based on performance of duties.

> It is the applicants' responsibility to clearly show that they meet the **minimum qualifications** for the position.

<u>Minimum Qualifications</u>: On or before the examination date, April 5, 2025, candidates must possess Permanent Competitive status in the Victor Central School District. in the position of, EITHER:

- 1. Human Resources Clerk, Senior Account Clerk or Payroll Clerk for one (1) year; OR
- 2. Typist for two (2) years; OR
- 3. Permanent Non-Competitive status in the position of Clerk (Part-Time) for three (3) years.

In accordance with Civil Service Law, Section 52.10(a) which became effective September 4, 2024, time served provisionally immediately preceding permanent appointment shall count towards meeting the time in title and the employee shall be eligible to take the promotion examination.

<u>Qualifying Experience for Appointment</u>: Successful candidates will be eligible for appointment from the eligible list when they meet the time described in the minimum qualifications above.

In accordance with Civil Service Law, Section 52.10(b) which became effective September 4, 2024, time served provisionally immediately preceding permanent appointment shall count towards meeting the time in title that an employee needs to meet for appointment from an eligible list.

<u>Anticipated Eligibility</u>: Applicants who lack thirty days, or less, of meeting the minimum qualifications by the date of the examination will be admitted conditionally to the examination. However, proof of the additional days' qualifications must be submitted prior to the establishment of the eligible list.

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Job Description: These duties involve responsibility for assisting with employee benefit administration. The incumbent performs management functions including, but not limited to, program planning, employee education and counseling, supervision, labor contract compliance, reporting, and program evaluation. The work is performed under general supervision with considerable latitude given for the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out assignments. General supervision is exercised over clerical staff, daily workflow, procedures, and projects of the human resource unit. Does related work as required.

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

1. Advising and interacting with others - These questions test for the ability to interact with other people in order to gather and present information and to provide assistance and advice in a courteous and professional manner.

2. 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.

3. 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.

4. Understanding and interpreting written material based on laws, policies, and procedures relating to health insurance and other employee benefits - These questions test the ability to read, interpret, and apply these laws, policies, and procedures. You will be provided with brief reading selections, each followed by one or more questions. All information needed to answer the questions is contained in the reading selections. No prior knowledge is required.

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: <u>https://www.cs.ny.gov/testing/testguides.cfm</u>.

USE OF CALCULATOR IS RECOMMENDED. 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. Cell phones, SmartWatches or any similar electronic devices are prohibited. You may not bring books or other reference materials. You will not be permitted to use the calculator function of your cell phone.

EMERGENCY CANCELLATION OF EXAMS WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON:

Ontario County Human Resources Webpage at <u>http://www.ontariocountyny.gov/94/Human-Resources</u> and NOTICE will be emailed to all approved Applicants no later than 7:30 AM the day of the scheduled exam.

SENIORITY CREDITS (POINTS) WILL BE ADDED TO A SUCCESSFUL ELIGIBLE'S SCORE AS FOLLOWS:

Less than one year -- 0 points

- 1 year up to 6 years -- 1 point
- Over 6 years up to 11 years -- 2 points
- Over 11 years up to 16 years -- 3 points
- Over 16 years up to 21 years -- 4 points
- Over 21 years up to 26 years -- 5 points

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Applications and further information may be obtained by visiting the ONTARIO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES website at <u>www.ontariocountyny.gov/HumanResources</u>. Completed applications and application fees must be electronically filed by 11:59 p.m. on <u>March 13, 2025</u>.

It is the candidates' responsibility to keep their contact information (email address, phone number & USPS mailing address) current. The Address Change Form can be found at the Ontario County Department of Human Resources website: <u>www.ontariocountyny.gov/HumanResources</u>. To be considered for preference in certification based on residency, you must include the city and/or town/village and school district you live in. All communication is done electronically through the applicant provided email address.

If candidate **fails to receive an admission letter** at least seven days prior to the examination date, you should contact the Department of Human Resources immediately.

Most written tests are held on Saturdays. If you cannot take the test on the announced test date due to a conflict with a religious observance or practice, check the box under "**Religious Accommodation**". We will make arrangements for you to take the test on a different date (usually the following business day).

Disabled persons: If special arrangements for testing are required, indicate this on your application form.

*The required **NON-REFUNDABLE application and administrative fees** must be submitted at time of application. If your application is disapproved, the fees will not be returned to you. Do not send cash, check or money order. If you are approved and do not appear for the examination, you forfeit the fees as no refunds will be made. In accordance with Civil Service Law, Section 50.5(b), an exception to the fee requirements will be made only for persons who are unemployed and primarily responsible for the support of a household or who are receiving public assistance. The Fee Waiver Form can be found at the Ontario County Department of Human Resources website: www.ontariocountyny.gov/HumanResources.

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 maximum 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.

Any member of the **Armed Forces** of the United States of America, who having duly filed an application to compete in a scheduled competitive examination for Civil Service employment by the State of New York or any of its subdivisions and who due to active military duty is deprived of the opportunity to compete in such examination shall be provided with an opportunity to compete, under terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the State Department of Civil Service or Municipal Commission, by way of a special military make-up examination.

Veterans' Credits: Honorably discharged veterans may apply for additional points to be added to their final passing score on civil service examinations. The *Application for Veterans Credits*, the *Authorization for Disability Record*, and additional information regarding the requirements are available on our website at: <u>www.ontariocountyny.gov/HumanResources</u>. Completed forms must be received by this office <u>before</u> the Eligible List, from this examination, is established.

Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program (PSLFP) - The PSLF Program is intended to encourage individuals to enter and continue to work full-time in public service jobs. Under this program, you may qualify for forgiveness of the remaining balance on your (Direct Loan) loans after you have made 120 qualifying payments on those loans while employed full-time by certain public service employers. For more information about this program go to: <u>http://studentaid.gov</u>.

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Ontario County is an **Equal Opportunity Employer** and, as such, offers equal opportunities for all qualified applicants with no discrimination as to age, race, color, creed, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, military status, predisposing genetic characteristics, marital status, domestic violence victim status or disabilities and, in certain circumstances pursuant to Executive Law 296, conviction record. Any person with a disability requesting reasonable accommodations in order to participate in examinations will be accommodated.

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 Law and Rules and Regulations dealing with the rating of examinations will apply to this examination.

Michele O. Smith Director of Human Resources

Employee Relations Assistant (Schools) (Victor Central School District) Exam No. 70013-240 Issued: February 21, 2025