

# ULSTER COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION ANNOUNCEMENT



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**#55760 SCHOOL LUNCH CASHIER**

**NO FILING FEE FOR THIS EXAMINATION**

**CONTINUOUS RECRUITMENT**

**OPEN-COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION**

**PLEASE READ ENTIRE ANNOUNCEMENT CAREFULLY**

**NOTE:** Ulster County will be offering this series only **ONCE** this year, to be held on June 6, 2026.

Applications will **NOT BE ACCEPTED** after the May 6, 2026 last file date due to New York State Civil Service undergoing a transition. The testing process is expected to change for New York State jurisdictions (including Ulster County). The implementation of the new testing system is tentatively expected to be in place by late 2026. The Ulster County Personnel Department will provide updates as information evolves.

**EXAMINATION DATE:** **June 6, 2026**

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED THROUGH THE ULSTER COUNTY EMPLOYMENT/EXAMINATION PORTAL BY **11:59 PM ON MAY 6, 2026** FOR THE JUNE 6, 2026 TEST DATE.

**SALARY:** The starting salary varies by location.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** Candidates must meet the following requirement(s) on or before the date of the examination:

Successful completion of the eighth grade in school or its' equivalent; and, one year of full-time paid, or its' part-time equivalent, experience as a cashier.

**Special Requirement for appointment in School Districts including BOCES:** In accordance with the Safe Schools Against Violence in Education (SAVE) legislation and by the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, candidates for employment in school districts must obtain clearance for appointment from the State Education Department based upon fingerprinting and a criminal history background check.

## **APPLICATION REVIEW TOLERANCE POLICY**

For the purposes of this policy, "tolerance" shall mean the leeway given regarding work experience when reviewing an application. Applicants lacking a small amount of work experience when applying for promotional or open-competitive examinations may qualify under the following conditions:

- 1) Candidates will be given a maximum tolerance of one (1) month.
- 2) Tolerance will be given only when the minimum qualification requires one or more years of work experience.
- 3) Tolerance Policy does not apply to education or licensure/certification requirements. (See particular examination announcement for "Anticipated Eligibility" information).
- 4) Tolerance Policy does not apply where required work experience is set forth by law or rules.
- 5) Tolerance Policy does not apply to enable applicants to meet residence requirements.

For more information regarding Tolerance Policy, please contact our office at (845) 340-3550.

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** This is routine work involving the operation of a cash register and the preparation of appropriate cash records. The work is performed under the supervision of a School Lunch Manager or other higher level school lunch personnel. Does related work as required.

**SUBJECT OF EXAMINATION:** Written test will cover knowledge, skills and/or abilities in such areas as:

**Alphabetizing:** These questions test your ability to file material in alphabetical order.

**Record Keeping:** These questions evaluate your ability to perform common record keeping tasks. The test consists of two or more "sets" of questions; each set concerning a different problem. Typical record keeping problems might involve the organization or collation of data from several sources; scheduling; maintaining a record system using running balances; or completion of a table summarizing data using totals, subtotals, averages and percents.

**Clerical Operations with Letters and Numbers:** These questions test your skills and abilities in clerical operations involving, comparing, checking and counting. The questions require you to follow the specific directions given for each question which may involve alphabetizing, comparing, checking and counting given groups of letters and/or numbers.

**STUDY GUIDE:**

A Guide to Taking the Examination for this title is available on the New York State Department of Civil Service Web Site at <https://www.cs.ny.gov/testing/testguides.cfm> (choose study guide for "Clerical/Steno/Typist Series – Entry-Level") **OR** at the Ulster County Office Building, Personnel Department, 244 Fair Street-5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Kingston, NY, **OR** Call (845) 340-3550 for information on how to obtain a copy.

**CALCULATORS:** "Unless specifically prohibited, candidates are permitted to use non-programmable, quiet, hand-held, solar or battery powered calculators. Devices with typewriter keyboards, 'Spell-Checkers', 'Personal Digital Assistants', 'Address Books', 'Language Translators', 'Dictionaries' and any similar devices are prohibited."

**USE OF CALCULATORS IS RECOMMENDED.**

This examination is being prepared and rated by the New York State Department of Civil Service 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 examinations will apply to this test.

**VETERANS CLAIMING ADDITIONAL CREDITS:** Non-disabled and disabled veterans who wish to claim additional credits **MUST** request a Veterans Credits application from our office. This form must be completed and submitted along with a war service (DD214) form prior to the establishment of the resulting eligible list. Veterans credits may only be added to a passing score and may only be used for appointment once. Candidates currently in the armed forces may apply for and be conditionally granted veteran's credits. Any candidate who applies for such credits must provide proof of military status to receive the conditional credits. **You may not claim additional Veterans Credits after the eligible list has been established. It is the candidate's responsibility to request the Veterans Credits application forms and submit these forms and any required supporting paperwork before the eligible list is established.**

On November 5, 2013, New York State voters approved an amendment to Article 5, section 6, of the New York Constitution regarding the award and use of additional credits for certain disabled veterans on open competitive and promotion civil service examinations for positions with New York State and local governments.

For eligible lists established after January 1, 2014, disabled veterans may be entitled to additional credits on a civil service examination. Every situation is different. If you have specific questions or concerns, please contact our office.

**ADDITIONAL CREDITS FOR 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. 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.

Applications **MUST** be filled out electronically within the Ulster County Civil Service Examinations Portal, <https://ulster-portal.mycivilservice.com/post/exams>.

You can also apply in person, using any available computer at the Ulster County Personnel Department, Monday through Friday between 9:00 am and 4:30 pm at the following address:

Ulster County Personnel Department  
County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Kingston, NY 12401

**CRIMINAL BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION POLICY:** In accordance with Ulster County Local Law Number 14 of 2007, a criminal background check (including fingerprinting) will be initiated by the Ulster County Personnel Department upon initial employment or re-hire to Ulster County positions, and conducted by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS), the New York State Office of Court Administration, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services Verification Information System (IMAGE Program), or any law enforcement agency.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** All public agencies are required by law to provide full and equal opportunities for minorities, women and to people with disabilities. All qualified candidates are encouraged to compete without regard to race, creed or national origin. Applicants requesting special testing arrangements as a Saturday Sabbath Observer, disabled candidate, alternate test date candidate (in accordance with Alternate Test Date Policy), or an active member of the military away from the area on the scheduled test date must clearly indicate this fact on the application. All such requests must be supported by appropriate documentation and be made at time of filing.

**APPLYING FOR CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS IN MULTIPLE JURISDICTIONS WHEN EXAMINATIONS ARE SCHEDULED ON SAME DATE:** If you have applied for any other Civil Service examinations for employment with New York State or any other local government jurisdiction, you must make arrangements to take all the examinations at one test site.

If you have applied for other local government examinations, call or write to each Civil Service Agency to make arrangements. You must make your request for these arrangements no later than two weeks before the date of the examinations. You must notify all local government civil service agencies with whom you have filed an application of the test site at which you wish to take your examination(s). **For this examination please indicate your intentions within the REMARKS text box on the application for examination.**

\*If candidates have not received notification of this examination within four (4) days of the examination, they should contact this office immediately.

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