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NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE MANAGER Exam No. 5121

WHEN TO APPLY: From: May 1, 2025 APPLICATION FEE: \$68.00

To: May 21, 2025

If you choose to pay the application fee with a credit/debit/gift card, you will be charged a service fee of 2.00% of the payment amount. This service

fee is nonrefundable.

CANDIDATES WHO DEMONSTRATE THAT THEY ARE A VETERAN, UNEMPLOYED, RECEIVING PUBLIC ASSISTANCE, OR SUPPLEMENTARY SECURITY INCOME, ARE ENTITLED TO A WAIVER OF THE APPLICATION

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR READING THIS ENTIRE NOTICE BEFORE YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION.

WHAT THE JOB INVOLVES:

School Food Service Managers, under general supervision, manage three or more elementary, junior high, or high school cafeterias; make assignments, supervise and train personnel, and direct and evaluate their work; or are assigned to appropriate responsibilities in other units of the school food service program; and work twelve months per year. All School Food Service Managers perform related work.

Some of the physical activities performed by School Food Service Managers and environmental conditions experienced are: using equipment such as slicing machines, steam kettles, gas ovens and pressure cookers; encountering temperature changes while working in hot kitchens and freezers; lifting supplies; climbing stairs; standing for a major portion of the day; encountering a relatively high noise level from school children; traveling by foot and/or public transportation between schools and field offices daily.

Special Working Conditions:

School Food Service Managers may be required to work various shifts including nights, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

(This is a brief description of what you might do in this position and does not include all the duties of this position.)

THE SALARY:

The current minimum salary is \$48,313 per annum. This rate is subject to change.

HOW TO QUALIFY:

You are responsible for determining whether or not you meet the education and experience requirements for this examination prior to submitting your application. If you are found "Not Qualified," your application fee will not be refunded and you will not receive a score.

As per Section 54(2) of the Civil Service Law, the education requirement needed to qualify must be met by May 21, 2026. The experience requirement needed to qualify must be met by the last day of the Application Period (May 21, 2025).

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS:

- A baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university with a major in nutrition, foods, dietetics, health and nutrition sciences with a concentration in foods and nutrition, home economics, culinary arts, baking and pastry arts, hotel/restaurant institutional management, food service entrepreneurship, food service administration, or a closely related field; or
- 2. An associate degree from an accredited college or university with a major in nutrition, foods, dietetics, health and nutrition sciences with a concentration in foods and nutrition, home economics, culinary arts, baking and pastry arts, hotel/restaurant institutional management, food service entrepreneurship, food service administration, or a closely related field; **and** two years of full-time satisfactory experience in managing a restaurant or quantity food service operations, or as a nutritionist or dietitian.

3. A four-year high school diploma or its educational equivalent approved by a State's department of education or a recognized accrediting organization **and** four years of full-time satisfactory professional experience as described in "2" above.

Note: Experience as a Cook, Bookkeeper, Office Manager, or Monitor will not be acceptable for meeting the work experience requirements.

The college or university must be accredited by regional, national, professional, or specialized agencies recognized as accrediting bodies by the U.S. Secretary of Education and by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).

If you were educated outside the United States, you must have your foreign education evaluated to determine its equivalence to education obtained in the United States. This is required <u>only</u> if you need credit for your foreign education in this examination. For more information see the Foreign Education Evaluation Guide in the Required Information section.

During the Education and Experience Exam (EEE), you may answer questions about your experience. If your experience was on a part-time basis working less than 35 hours per week, you will need to convert your part-time experience to full-time experience using the formula below. Once you have determined your full-time experience equivalent, use this amount to answer questions about your experience.

(number of hours worked per week/35) x (number of months worked)

For example, if you worked at a job for 21 hours per week for 12 months, you would make the following calculation: $21/35 \times 12 = 7.2$ months.

You have until midnight Eastern time on the last day of the Application Period (May 21, 2025) to clearly specify in detail all of your relevant education and experience and Final Submit your Education and Experience Exam in the Online Application System (OASys). Once you Final Submit your Education and Experience Exam in OASys, you will not be permitted to submit new or additional information on your Education and Experience Exam online.

If you do not Final Submit your Education and Experience Exam in OASys by midnight Eastern time on the last day of the Application Period (May 21, 2025), your examination will be considered incomplete, you will not receive a score, you will not be invited to subsequent portions of this examination (if applicable), and your application fee will not be refunded.

Medical Requirement: Medical guidelines have been established for the position of School Food Service Manager. Candidates will be examined to determine whether they can perform the essential functions of the position of School Food Service Manager. Where appropriate, a reasonable accommodation will be provided for a person with a disability to enable him or her to take the examination, and/or to perform the essential functions of the job.

Drug Screening Requirement: You must pass a drug screening in order to be appointed.

English Requirement:

You must be able to understand and be understood in English.

Proof of Identity:

Under the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, you must be able to prove your identity and your right to obtain employment in the United States prior to employment with an agency under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner, Department of Citywide Administrative Services.

Residency: City residency is not required for this position.

HOW TO APPLY:

If you believe you meet the requirements in the "How to Qualify" section, apply using the Online Application System (OASys) at www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs. Follow the onscreen application instructions for electronically submitting your application, payment, and completing any required information. A unique and valid email address is required to apply online. Several internet service providers, including but not limited to Google, Yahoo!, AOL, Outlook.com, and Mail.com offer free email addresses. All new OASys accounts require verification before a candidate can apply to ensure the accuracy of candidate information. Verification is instantaneous for most accounts and you will receive a confirmation email with instructions to activate your account. For any account creation issues, you will receive onscreen prompts to contact DCAS. This review may require up to two (2) business days to be reviewed and resolved. Please keep this information and the application period deadline in mind when creating your account.

The following methods of payment are acceptable: major credit card, bank card associated with a bank account, or a prepaid debit card with a credit card logo which you may purchase online or at various retail outlets. If you are receiving or participating in certain forms of public assistance/benefits/programs, or are a veteran, you may qualify to have the application fee waived. For more information on eligibility for a fee waiver and documentation requirements visit the Fee Waiver FAQ on the Online Application System at: https://a856-exams.nyc.gov/OASysWeb/faqs. Effective January 2020, the Online Application System is no longer supported on Windows 7 or earlier versions of Windows operating systems.

You may come to the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Application Centers to apply for this examination online.

The centers will be open Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM:

ManhattanBrooklynQueens2 Lafayette Street210 Joralemon Street118-35 Queens Boulevard17th Floor4th Floor5th FloorNew York, NY 10007Brooklyn, NY 11201Forest Hills, NY 11375

Staten Island

135 Canal Street 3rd Floor Staten Island, NY 10304 **Bronx**

1932 Arthur Avenue 2nd Floor Bronx, NY 10457

You must complete the entire application by midnight, Eastern Time, of the last day of the application period. If you have questions about applying for this examination, you may contact DCAS via nyc.gov/CivilServiceNowNYC and select the applicable subject.

Special Circumstances Guide: This guide is located on the DCAS website at https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dcas/downloads/pdf/employment/pdf_c_special_circumstances_guide.pdf and available at the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Application Centers. This guide gives important information about claiming Veterans' or Legacy credit, and notifying DCAS of a change in your mailing address. Follow all instructions on the Special Circumstances Guide that pertain to you when you complete your "Application for Examination."

REQUIRED INFORMATION:

- 1. **Application for Examination:** Follow the online instructions, including those relating to the payment of fee and, if applicable, those found in the Special Circumstances Guide.
- 2. **Education and Experience Exam:** Fill out all the required sections displayed onscreen (if applicable). You will have until midnight Eastern time on the last day of the Application Period (May 21, 2025) to clearly specify in detail all of your relevant education and experience on your Education and Experience Exam and submit it in the Online Application System (OASys).

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- 3. Foreign Education Evaluation Guide (Required only if you need credit for your foreign education in this examination): If you were educated outside the United States, you must have your foreign education evaluated to determine its equivalence to education obtained in the United States. The services that are approved to make this evaluation are listed on the Foreign Education Evaluation Guide which is located on the DCAS website at https://www.nyc.gov/assets/dcas/downloads/pdf/employment/nyc-dcas-foreign-education-evaluation-guide.pdf. When you contact the evaluation service, ask for the evaluation as follows:
 - a. If you wish to claim an associate degree or a baccalaureate degree for the education requirements in the "How To Qualify" section only, ask for a "document-by-document" (general) evaluation.
 - b. If you wish to claim graduate credits in "The Test" section, ask for a **"course-by-course"** evaluation (which includes a "document-by-document" evaluation).

You must have one of these services submit its evaluation of your foreign education directly to the Department of Citywide Administrative Services no later than eight weeks from the last day of the Application Period (May 21, 2025).

THE TEST:

Your score will be determined by an Education and Experience Exam. You will receive a score of 70 points for meeting the education and experience requirements listed above. After these requirements are met, you will receive additional credit up to a maximum of 100 points on the following basis:

Education and experience used to gain additional credit must be obtained by the last day of the Application Period (May 21, 2025).

If you have satisfactory full-time experience in managing a quantity food service operation in a school for:	You will receive up to:
At least 1 year but less than 2 years	6 points
At least 2 years but less than 4 years	18 points
4 or more years	24 points
If you have satisfactory full-time experience managing a quantity food service operation in a setting other than a school for:	You will receive up to :
At least 1 year but less than 2 years	3 points
At least 2 years but less than 4 years	9 points
4 or more years	12 points

If you have satisfactory full-time experience as a dietitian or nutritionist for:	You will receive up to :
At least 1 year but less than 2 years	3 points
At least 2 years but less than 4 years	9 points
4 or more years	12 points

If you have completed graduate credits from an accredited college or university in nutrition, foods, dietetics, health and nutrition sciences with a concentration in foods and nutrition, home economics, culinary arts, baking and pastry arts, hotel/restaurant institutional management, food receive: service entrepreneurship, food service administration, or a closely related field for:

Completion of 3 to 11 semester credits 3 points 6 points Completion of 12 to 23 semester credits Completion of 24 or more semester credits 10 points

You can only claim a maximum of one year of experience credit for each year you worked. Each year of experience will be credited under only one category which will be the highest appropriate category.

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CHANGE OF MAILING ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS, AND/OR TELEPHONE NUMBER:

It is critical that you promptly notify DCAS of any change to your mailing address, email address and/or phone number. If we do not have your correct mailing address, email address and/or phone number, you will not receive information about your exam(s), consideration for appointment and/or important information that may require a response by a specified deadline. If you need to update your Mailing Address, Email Address, and/or Telephone Number, read below:

- City Employees update this information in NYCAPS Employee Self-Service (ESS) at www.nyc.gov/ess
- All Others update this information on your Profile page in the Online Application System (OASys) by logging into your OASys account and navigating to your Dashboard, then your Profile tab at www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs
- If you are unable to recall and/or no longer have access to the email address associated with your OASys account, please contact us via the following link: nyc.gov/CivilServiceNowNYC using the "Account Access, User ID, Password or Registration Issue" subject or call (212) 669-1357 (Monday -Friday from 9 AM - 5 PM EST).

CHANGE OF NAME AND/OR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:

Use the Data Correction Form and follow all instructions for changing your name and/or social security number with DCAS. The following link will provide you with the DCAS Data Correction Form: https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dcas/downloads/pdf/employment/dp148a.pdf.

THE TEST RESULTS:

If you pass the Education and Experience Exam, your name will be placed in final score order on an eligible list, you will be given a list number and you will be notified by email of your test results. The eligible list determines the order by which candidates will be considered for appointment. If you meet all requirements and conditions, you will be considered for appointment if your name is reached on the eligible list. Once a list has been established, it will typically remain active for four years. To learn more about the civil service system go to: https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dcas/employment/civil-service-system.page.

If you believe that your test part was rated incorrectly, you may submit an appeal of your score to DCAS, Committee on Manifest Errors, through the Online Application System (OASys). Your appeal must give specific reasons why your score should be higher. Your appeal may result in a higher or lower rating.

To access the appeal portal of OASys, please log into your OASys account at www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs and use the following steps:

- 1. Navigate to the Dashboard for the Appeals tab.
- 2. Click the NEW APPEAL button to create and submit your appeal.
- 3. Select the exam from the Exam drop-down list, and
- 4. Select the exam part from the Exam Part drop-down list.
- 5. Select the reason for your appeal from the Appeal Reason drop-down list (if applicable).
- Enter the details of your appeal by providing specific reasons why your score should be higher.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Selective Certification for Special Experience: If you have special experience listed in one of the areas listed below, you may be considered for appointment to positions requiring this special experience through a process called Selective Certification. If you qualify for Selective Certification, you may be given preferred consideration for positions requiring this special experience. If you wish to apply for this Selective Certification, follow the onscreen instructions when completing the Education and Experience Exam to indicate your interests in such Selective Certification and Final Submit it in the Online Application System (OASys). Your special experience will be checked by the apponting agency at the time of appointment.

- **1. Municipal Government Experience (MGE):** At least two (2) years of satisfactory, full-time experience within a municipal government in a similar position, which provides services for a city with a population of over 1 million.
- **2. Educational Environment Experience (EDU):** At least two (2) years of experience working in an educational program(s) and/or institution(s).

The above Selective Certification requirements may be met at any time during the duration of the list. If you meet the Selective Certification requirement at some future date, please submit a request by contacting DCAS via the following link: nyc.gov/CivilServiceNowNYC using the "Selective Certification" subject. Please include the examination title and number, your full name, OASys Profile ID number, and the Selective Certification(s) you are requesting in your submission.

Application Receipt:

You will be emailed a receipt immediately after you have applied for the examination. If you do not receive this receipt, check "Junk", "Trash", or "Spam" folders for the primary email linked to your Online Application System (OASys) account. If you are unable to locate the email, you can view a summary of the notification email to you on your OASys Dashboard, then Notifications. If you are still unable to find the email, please email DCAS via the Contact feature available in OASys with a description of the issue and include the exam number and your profile number located on your Profile page. While on your Profile page, check that the email addresses you provided are correct and/or updated.

PENALTY FOR MISREPRESENTATION:

Any intentional misrepresentation on the application or examination may result in disqualification, even after appointment, and may result in criminal prosecution.

The General Examination Regulations of the Department of Citywide Administrative Services (DCAS) apply to this examination and are part of this Notice of Examination. They are posted at nyc.gov/dcas and copies are available at the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Application Centers.