

CUSTODIAN III (OC)
NYS #64-103 RC/EL #24101

Examination to be held **March 23, 2024**; Last filing date **February 26, 2024**

A \$15 non-refundable application filing fee is required. A check or money order made payable to the Rockland County Commissioner of Finance must accompany the application. Please refer to Supplement A for further information regarding the application/examination process. Applications are available at: <https://mycivilservice.rocklandgov.com/exams>.

1. If applying online, completed applications must be submitted by 11:59 PM EST on the last filing date.
2. If applying by mail, completed applications must be postmarked no later than the last filing date.

POSITION EXISTS IN: Rockland Community College, Rockland BOCES, Clarkstown Central School District, East Ramapo Central School District, North Rockland Central School District, Nyack Public Schools, South Orangetown Central School District, Town of Clarkstown and Town of Ramapo.

Some of the agencies/departments listed above may not have vacancies or be filling their vacancies at this time.

An open-competitive as well as a promotion examination will be given on the same day and qualified candidates may also compete therein by filing a separate application for each. The promotion list will take precedence over the open-competitive list in filling vacancies in the agency listed, but upon its exhaustion, the open-competitive list will be used to fill vacancies occurring for a period of at least one year from the date the list was established.

RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS: Candidates must be legal residents of Rockland County at the time of examination.

SALARY: The starting salary is \$25.48 per hour for a 40-hour workweek with County of Rockland. Salary will be pro-rated for less than full-time positions. Salary may vary in other locations.

WHAT THE JOB IS LIKE: This is supervisory work of a difficult nature involving direct responsibility for the cleanliness, semi-skilled maintenance and efficient physical operation of one or more large buildings and/or a number of small buildings. Major maintenance work or jobs requiring skilled technicians or craftsmen are referred to a supervisor. The work is performed under general supervision of a Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds, Custodian IV and/or a building or central administrator, and supervision is exercised over a number of employees on two or more work shifts. In a school district (not Rockland Community College), this class is distinguished from Custodian II when supervision is exercised over a number of employees on two or more work shifts, plus a combination of the following factors: the utilization of the building(s), the facility-related needs of students, faculty and administrators, the size of the building or complex of buildings, the number of students, and the existence of a students' cafeteria, gymnasium and locker rooms. May assume custodial responsibilities of the immediate supervisor (Custodian IV) in the latter's absence. Does related work as required.

When completing the application, your description of experience must specify the dates of your employment, the number of hours worked per week, your title, and the main duties for each. Be specific; vagueness will not be resolved in your favor. Candidates who submit incomplete applications or documentation may be disqualified.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: By examination date, you must have: Three (3) years of experience in building cleaning and building maintenance work, two (2) years of which must have involved work direction of others.

NOTE: Any outstanding application documentation must be submitted to the Rockland County Department of Personnel no later than two (2) weeks prior to the exam date. Failure to comply with the deadlines set herein may result in the disapproval of your application; disqualification from sitting for the examination; and/or disqualification from a resulting list of eligible candidates. These deadlines are subject to change by the Rockland County Department of Personnel upon notice to a candidate.

SUBJECT OF WRITTEN EXAMINATION:

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; preventative 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.

USE OF CALCULATORS IS ALLOWED FOR THIS EXAMINATION

TEST GUIDE: A Guide to the Written Test for **High-Level Custodians/Janitors** is available at the New York State Department of Civil Service website: <https://www.cs.ny.gov/testing/testguides.cfm> or the Rockland County Department of Personnel website: <https://rocklandcountyny.gov/departments/personnel/applicant-candidate-resources-forms>. If you do not have access to the internet, you may contact the Rockland County Department of Personnel to request a copy at (845) 364-3737 or RCEXAMS@co.rockland.ny.us.