

# LEGISLATIVE VICTORY

## Civil Service Exam Announcements

A new law has gone into effect, which requires that the State Civil Service Department (DCS) and municipal civil service commissions to provide notice of competitive civil service examinations more broadly.

This law went into effect on September 7, 2023.



### What was the law before?

There were no requirements for DCS or municipal civil service commissions to provide broad notice of available civil service tests. Outreach was often limited to a post on their respective websites.

### Who does this affect?

The State Civil Service Department, all municipal social service departments, and all current and prospective public sector employees.

### What is the law now?

DCS and municipal civil service departments will have to provide notice of competitive civil service examinations to BOCES, school districts, public colleges and universities, local social services districts, and job training programs.

### Why does this matter?

Providing additional notice of available tests will expand the outreach of civil service departments and will increase participation in the public sector workforce.

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