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[NYC CIVIL SERVICE 101 Information Session](#)

Are you a youth in foster care or juvenile justice looking for a career with great benefits and growth opportunities? Always wanted to learn more about city government? OR, are you a supporting community ally and/or provider agency champion, committed to the success of young people transitioning out of foster care?

In partnership with NYC Administration for Children's Services' Civil Service Pathways for Youth Program, NYC Department of Citywide Administrative Services is presenting **NYC CIVIL SERVICE 101 - Everything you need to know about applying for New York City government jobs and becoming a civil servant.**

The City of New York has more than 80 agencies with 300,000 employees. This information session will provide you with a better understanding of how the civil service process works, including:

- Types of opportunities available
- Applying for open jobs
- Applying for internships and fellowships
- Applying for and taking an exam
- Fee waivers
- What to expect after taking an exam

Date: Wednesday, May 4, 2016

Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM OR 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM

Please indicate your preferred session.

Location: 1 Centre Street, 24th Floor South, NY, NY 10007

Contact: Meka Nurse or Courtney Ramirez

RSVP: civilservicepathways@acs.nyc.gov

Learn more at: nyc.gov/dcas, nyc.gov/jobs. The City of New York is an Equal Opportunity employer. [Share the flyer.](#)

[Nominate a Dad Today!](#)

Do you know a great dad who resides in the five boroughs of New York City? Do you know a dad who has overcome the odds to play a positive and powerful role in the life of his child and his community? Do you know a dad who proves the point that NYC Dads Matter?

If so, nominate him today! A selection committee comprised of community and government leaders will review the nominations and select 10 honorees to receive their awards in June. [Nomination Forms and Essays are due](#)

[Wednesday, May 11, 2016.](#)

To nominate an exceptional dad, [complete the nomination form and type a three paragraph essay](#) describing how you know the potential honoree, the qualities that make him an exemplary father, and why you think he deserves a NYC Dads Matter Award. All nominees must be fathers who actively participate in the life of their child--giving their health and welfare top priority.

Please note that nominations are open to the public and posthumous awards will not be given. *Your nominee(s) should not have any history of domestic violence, spousal abuse, child abuse or parental neglect and be current in child support payments and arrears, providing financial and emotional support his child.*

Email completed nomination form and three paragraph essay to: nycdadsmatter@cityhall.nyc.gov, or fax to 212-312-0789. For more information, visit nyc.gov or call 311, just mention NYCDADS.

Foster Care

[College & Career Corner 2016 – Final Sessions!](#)

Please share this information with eligible youth. The Office of Education Support and Policy Planning College and Career Corner connects 10th, 11th and 12th grade students in foster care with a peer mentor, assists with college application completion and offers career advice from peers who have received ACS services. College advisors from the Options Institute are available for consultations!

The final two sessions for the year will be held **May 18 and June 15**, 4pm to 6pm, at 150 William Street, 19th Floor, Staten Island Room. Dinner and MetroCards will be provided. For more information, contact Karyn Boutis at Karyn.Boutis@acs.nyc.gov.

[Download the flyer.](#)

[Share Information about Youth Education and Employment Opportunities](#)

Please feel free to contact Meka Nurse, Assistant Commissioner, ACS Office of Employment and Workforce Development Initiatives with any information on education and employment opportunities or special programs for youth in ACS care: meka.nurse@acs.nyc.gov.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ACS Office of Parent Support and Recruitment [Foster /Adoptive Parent Recruitment Forums](#)

To participate, register through the WISH LINE at 212-676-WISH(9474).

Friday, May 13, 2016

Administration for Children's Services
150 William Street – 8th Fl. Conf. Room – 8A-1

New York, NY 10038

10:00am – 3:00pm

[Download the flyer.](#)

Tuesday, May 24, 2016

Administration for Children's Services
150 William Street – 19th Floor – Manhattan Room
New York, NY 10038

5:30pm – 7:00pm

[Download the flyer.](#)

NYC Juvenile Justice Reentry Conference

Conference highlights include:

- Core Principles for Reducing Recidivism and Improving Other Outcomes for Youth in Juvenile Justice System
- Best practices and insights to help youth succeed following placement
- Engaging plenary sessions and panel discussions
- Skill building workshops
- Community resources focused on building the assets and competencies in all young people
- Networking opportunities and much more!

SAVE THE DATE

TUESDAY, JUNE 14TH
9AM to 5PM

CUNY John Jay College

More information to come



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Preventive Services

[Support for Parents with Disabilities](#)

Child Welfare Programs is hosting borough forums to raise awareness of the services available for parents with developmental disabilities. The aim is for ACS staff and our stakeholders to become more responsive to parents with disabilities and knowledgeable about the programs/supports that exist. Sessions have been held in for staff in Brooklyn on April 15th, in Queens on April 22nd and Manhattan/Staten Island on April 27th. The remaining session will be held in the Bronx:

When: May 6th 10:30-1pm.

Where: Bronx Division of Child Protection South, 2501 Grand Concourse.

For more information, contact Yolanda Dillard, Director Developmental Disabilities Unit (212) 442-2081.

Juvenile Justice

[Brooklyn Family Assessment Program 5th Annual Resource Fair](#)

The Brooklyn Family Assessment Program (FAP) will be hosting their annual resource fair to present information on how the FAP program collaborates with various agencies in order to provide assistance to families in crisis. The focus of this year's fair will be to explore the collaborative efforts made within the communities we serve to ensure that families are provided with the best services possible. Representatives of these agencies will be on hand at the fair to provide information on the joint work that we do. The collaborators presenting at the fair will include city agencies NYPD, DCP, DOP and DOE.

When: Friday, May 20, 9:30AM-1:30PM

Where: Brooklyn Borough Hall, 209 Joralemon Street, 2nd Floor Community Room, Brooklyn, NY 11201.

RSVP by May 13, 2016 to 718-260-8550 or 718-260-8781. [Download the flyer](#)

[Save the Date - Juvenile Justice Reentry Conference Announcement](#)

ACS Division of Youth and Family Justice (DYFJ), in collaboration with CUNY John Jay College, the Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention, the Center for Court Innovation, and the National Reentry Resource Center, is pleased to announce that the:

NYC Juvenile Justice Re-Entry Conference: Building Foundations for Positive Youth Outcomes, will take place at John Jay College on Tuesday, June 14, 2016.

This full day conference is geared toward juvenile justice professionals and will include keynote speakers, engaging plenary sessions, networking opportunities, and enlightening and skill building workshops on best practices to support effective reentry planning to reduce recidivism and improve the wellbeing of New York City's vulnerable young people. We invite all stakeholders in the field of juvenile justice to attend, especially our residential and aftercare provider staff working directly with youth and families, including: case planners, case managers, supervisors, program directors, therapists, social workers, education specialist, and school guidance counselors.

REGISTRATION:

All attendees are required to register in advance. [Fill out the registration form](#) to reserve a seat for you and your staff. Forms can be submitted via e-mail to: Stephanie.Wilson@acs.nyc.gov or via fax at 917-551-8101.

More detailed information will follow about special guests, speakers, and all workshops in the coming weeks. Feel free to share. For more information, **contact Stephanie Wilson, Director of Special Projects, 212-788-8340.** [Download the flyer.](#)

Early Care and Education

[Lead in Water Testing - Action Required](#)

Attention EarlyLearn NYC Contractors:

Effective immediately, NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene requires that **all child care centers must have current (within the last five years) lead content test results**. In order to comply with this regulation, all EarlyLearn child care providers that do not have current lead content test results must conduct such testing for all faucets and/or fountains at your site(s), except slop sinks and staff bathrooms.

If you have tested the faucets and/or fountains at your site within the last five years:

Please send the following information to Carol Merryshapiro at carol.merryshapiro@acs.nyc.gov by April 29, 2016, and indicate your program name and site address in the subject line:

1. A copy of most recent **positive or negative** lead content test results received and subsequently submitted to the DOHMH during the permitting or renewal process for each EarlyLearn program in your contract;
2. Any follow-up test results received due to required remedial action, if applicable;
3. Confirmation of whether faucets and/or fountains at your facility presently require filtration.

If you have not tested the faucets and/or fountains at your site within the last five years:

You must schedule such testing by an appropriate vendor by April 29, 2016. Below are two recommended vendors, however you may select a vendor of your choice. Please note that the vendor must be a Licensed Risk Assessor and the

company must have an EPA license. In addition, the vendor's lab must have State or national certification. Providers must keep a copy of the lead content test results and also forward a copy to Carol at carol.merryshapiro@acs.nyc.gov.

Lead Me Out

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New York State Lead

Yossi Stern

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718-467-1500

The cost to hire a vendor to conduct the lead content testing is an *allowable expense* in accordance with your EarlyLearn NYC contract. Unless you have in excess of 50 faucets to test, you should not expect to pay more than \$3,000.

Please note: if you have an older water fountain, one that has a button rather than a push bar to operate, please take it out of use until your lead results come back. This was advice given by a certified risk assessor, just to err on the side of caution.

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