



SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST

Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Departmental Open Examination
Examination Code: 5CEBS
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TESTING DEPARTMENTS

California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR)

CLASSIFICATION DETAILS

Salary Range:

\$5,454.53 - \$10,971.58 per month

View the [classification specification](#) for the School Psychologist classification.

WHO SHOULD APPLY

Applicants who meet the minimum qualifications as stated below.

Once you have taken the Qualifications Assessment Examination, you may not retake it for twelve (12) months.

HOW TO APPLY

All applicants must complete and submit an [Examination Application \(STD. 678\)](#) **and** [Qualifications Assessment](#)

By mail to:

**Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
Office of Workforce Planning
P.O. Box 942883
Sacramento, CA 94283-0001**

Or in person at:

**Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
1515 S Street
Sacramento, CA 95811-7243
Attn: Office of Workforce Planning, 211S**

If you are personally delivering your application and Qualifications Assessment, you must do so between the hours of **8:00 a.m.** and **5:00 p.m.**, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, on or before the cut-off date to the same street address as listed above.

Qualifications Assessments for School Psychologist are available from the CDCR website at: [School Psychologist](#) or in person at the street address listed above.

Completed applications and all required documents must be received or postmarked by the cut-off date in order to be considered. If an application is received after the cut-off date with a late or missing postmark, the application is considered late and will be included in the next cut-off date for processing. It is the applicant's responsibility to submit their application on time and to ensure the envelope is postmarked if applying by way of U.S. mail or contains proof of timely deposit with a parcel delivery or courier service. Dates printed on Mobile Bar Codes, such as the Quick Response (QR) Codes available at the United States Postal Service (USPS), are not considered Postmark dates for the purpose of determining timely filing of an application.

NOTE: Only applications with an original signature will be accepted.

SPECIAL TESTING ARRANGEMENTS

If you require special testing arrangements due to a verified disability or medical condition, mark the appropriate box on your Examination Application (STD. 678) and you will be contacted to make specific arrangements. You may also contact the Office of Workforce Planning at (916) 322-2545.

APPLICATION DEADLINES/REQUIREMENTS

Candidates must complete and return the School Psychologist Qualifications Assessment along with his/her Examination Application (Std. Form 678). Candidates who meet the minimum qualifications will have their Qualifications Assessment rated.

All applicants must meet the minimum qualifications for this examination at the time he/she files his/her application by the cut-off date.

TEST DATE

Applications will be accepted on a continuous basis.

Cut-off dates for processing will be:

July 30, 2021 October 29, 2021 January 28, 2022 April 29, 2022

July 29, 2022

Note: Check back periodically as cut-off dates may be added in the future. Additionally, cut-off dates are subject to change or be cancelled at any time. Such changes or cancellations will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules.

Results notices will be mailed in 6 – 7 weeks following each cut-off date. Please contact the Office of Workforce Planning at (916) 322-2545 if you have not received your notice after 7 weeks.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Possession of a valid California general pupil personnel services credential with the additional authorization to serve as school psychologist. Or

A valid California school psychologist credential. Or

A valid California standard designated services credential with a specialization in pupil personnel services with the additional authorization to serve as school psychologist.

Applicants who are within one year of receiving one of the required credentials will be admitted to the examination, but must secure one of the required credentials before they will be considered eligible for appointment.

Conditions of Pre-Employment: Pursuant to the Montoya School Safety Act of 1997, all persons offered employment with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation Juvenile Justice's Education Services Branch shall undergo a thorough background investigation prior to appointment Pursuant to Education Code Section 45122 and Penal Code Sections 677 and 1192, "No person who has been convicted of a violent or serious felony shall be employed by a school district."

SPECIAL PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS

Empathetic understanding of the interest in the problems of youthful offenders at California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation juvenile correctional facilities.

SPECIAL PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Persons appointed to positions in this class must be reasonably expected to have and maintain sufficient strength, agility, and endurance to perform during stressful (physical, mental, and emotional) situations encountered on the job without compromising their health and well-being or that of their fellow employees or that of youthful offenders.

Assignments during tour of duty may include sole responsibility for the supervision of youthful offenders and/or the protection of personal and real property.

POSITION DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION(S)

A **School Psychologist**, under general direction, performs psychological work with youthful offenders of diverse ethnic backgrounds; administers formal or informal psychological tests; provides counseling/psychological services to an assigned caseload; consults with staff; conducts in-service training; participates as a member of a multidisciplinary Individual Education Program team involved in evaluation, assessment, and diagnostic service delivery; maintains order and supervises the conduct of youthful offenders; protects and maintains the safety of persons and property; and does other related work.

Positions exist in CDCR juvenile facilities in San Joaquin and Ventura Counties.

EXAMINATION PLAN

EXAMINATION INTERVIEWS WILL NOT BE HELD. This examination will consist of a Qualifications Assessment weighted 100%. To obtain a position on the eligible list, applicants must achieve a minimum rating of 70.00% on the Qualifications Assessment.

The Qualifications Assessment is designed to elicit a range of specific information regarding each candidate's knowledge, skill, abilities, and potential to effectively perform the duties relative to the classification. Candidates who meet the minimum qualifications will have their Qualifications Assessment rated and successful candidates will be placed on an eligible list. **SUBMISSION OF THE QUALIFICATIONS ASSESSMENT IS MANDATORY.** Candidates who do not submit a completed Qualifications Assessment will be eliminated from this examination.

Qualifications Assessment -- Weighted 100.00%

Scope: Emphasis in the examination will be on measuring competitively, relative to job demands, each candidate's:

Knowledge of:

1. Psychological theory.
2. Psychometrics.
3. Counseling and interviewing techniques used with youthful offenders with physical or educational disabilities.
4. Principles of statistics as applied to tests and measurements.
5. Basic medical and psychological conditions of youthful offenders with physical or educational disabilities.

Ability to:

1. Establish rapport with youthful offenders with disabilities
2. Secure the cooperation of teachers and parents in developing techniques to promote mental health in the families of youthful offenders.
3. Analyze situations accurately and take appropriate action.
4. Communicate effectively.

The Job Analysis identifies job duties and job requirements for the classification and may be referenced in preparing for the examination. The Job Analysis for the School Psychologist is available on the CDCR website at: [CDCR Job Analysis](#)

ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION

The resulting eligible list will be established to fill vacancies for CDCR.

Names of successful candidates are merged onto the list(s) in order of final scores, regardless of date. Eligibility expires 12 months after establishment unless the needs of the service and conditions of the list(s) warrant a change in this period.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE/CAREER CREDITS

Veterans' Preference will be granted in this examination. Veterans who have achieved permanent civil service status are not eligible to receive Veterans' Preference. Career credits will not be granted in this examination.

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

The California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation and the California Correctional Health Care Services are committed to building an inclusive and culturally diverse workplace. We are determined to attract and hire more candidates from diverse communities and empower all employees from a variety of cultural backgrounds, perspectives, and personal experiences. We are proud to foster inclusion and drive collaborative efforts to increase representation at all levels of the Department.

DRUG-FREE STATEMENT

It is an objective of the State of California to achieve a drug-free State work place. Any applicant for State employment will be expected to behave in accordance with this objective, because the use of illegal drugs is inconsistent with the law of the State, the rules governing civil service, and the special trust placed in public servants.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Applications are available at CDCR, California Department of Human Resources (CalHR), local offices of the Employment Development Department, and through your [CalCareer Account](#).

Veterans' Preference: California law allows the granting of Veterans' Preference in any **Open** examination. In accordance with Government Code Sections 18973.1 and 18973.5, Veterans' Preference will be awarded as follows: 1) any veteran, widow or widower of a veteran, or spouse of a 100% disabled veteran, who achieves a passing score in an open examination, shall be ranked in the top rank of the resulting eligibility list. Any veteran who has been dishonorably discharged or released is not eligible for Veterans' Preference; 2) Veterans' Preference is not granted once a person achieves permanent civil service status.

Directions to apply for Veterans' Preference are available at the CalHR's website by clicking on the following link: [CalCareer Veterans](#). Additional information can also be found at the California Department of Veterans Affairs at [CalVet Veterans](#).

The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service, if the circumstances under which this examination was planned change. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules and all applicants will be notified.

Examination Locations: If this examination requires a written test and/or oral interview, they will be scheduled throughout the State at the correctional institutions, youth facilities, and/or parole regions. However, locations of the written test and/or oral interview may be limited or extended as conditions change.

If you meet the requirements stated on this examination bulletin, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirements does not assure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described in this bulletin will be rated against a predetermined job-related rating, and all applicants who pass will be ranked according to their score.

General Qualifications: Applicants must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgement, the ability to work cooperatively with others, and a state of health consistent with

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the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination and fingerprinting may be required. In open examinations, investigation may be made of employment records and personal history.

Eligible Lists: Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) sub-divisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multi-departmental promotional, 4) servicewide promotional, 5) departmental open, 6) open. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first. Eligible lists will expire in one to four years unless otherwise stated on the bulletin.

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