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Broome County Clerk Mihalko and the Broome-Tioga BOCES Center for Career and Technical Excellence Announces a Passport Fair for November 14, 2018 at Broome-Tioga BOCES

Broome County Clerk Joseph Mihalko and the Broome-Tioga BOCES Career Development Center are announcing that the Broome County Clerk's Office will be hosting a passport fair at the Broome-Tioga BOCES campus on Wednesday, November 14, 2018. The passport fair will be open to the general public from 3:00 pm until 5:00 pm.

"Our office is holding this event as a convenience to our friends and neighbors around Broome County who need to obtain a passport, but may not be able to come into our downtown Binghamton office," said Broome County Clerk Joe Mihalko.

"We here at Broome-Tioga BOCES and The Hospitality Industry Careers Class are really excited to partner with the Broome County Clerk's Office to offer this passport fair, not only to our students, faculty and staff, but also to the general public," said Nina Shattuck, the Hospitality Industry Careers Class teacher.

The passport fair will be held in the cafeteria of the Broome-Tioga BOCES campus at 435 Glenwood Rd, Binghamton, NY 13905. Application forms will be available, and photos can be taken on site. You can also download a copy of the passport application in advance at www.travel.state.gov.

Applicants should bring 1) an original or a certified copy of their birth certificate with a raised seal and a photocopy (front and back); 2) their photo ID and a photocopy (front and back); and 3) 2 checks to cover the fees. Cash and credit cards will not be taken at the passport fair. Applicants should also have the places and dates of birth of their parents to correctly fill out the passport application. Children under 18 need to have their parents present for a passport application. Expedited applications cannot be processed at this passport fair.

The fees for passports are \$110 for adult applications and \$80 for children under the age of 16. Passport cards are also available, although they are only good for land and cruise ship travel. It is \$30 for adult passport cards and \$15 for children under the age of 16. There is a \$35 processing fee for each application, and there is a \$10 fee for passport photos.

E-Z Pass tags will also be available for purchase through the E-Z Pass On-the-Go Program. E-Z Pass tags cost of \$25 per tag. That \$25 is then credited to the customer's account. These E-Z Pass tags are <u>only for private</u>, <u>passenger vehicles</u>. The Clerk's Office can only accept checks for E-Z Pass tags at this event.

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