



Hair Weaving

(Florida-only contest: this event does not advance to the national level)

PURPOSE

To demonstrate the student's ability to create an original weave style comparable to industry standards using different techniques and demonstrating Cosmetology related knowledge.

CLOTHING REQUIREMENT

Class F – Barbering, Cosmetology, Esthetics, Nail Care; as defined in the Clothing Classifications. A plain white polo may be worn in lieu of a SkillsUSA polo.

ELIGIBILITY

The Contestants must be enrolled in a Cosmetology or related program of study with Cosmetology as an occupational objective. Contestants must be paid SkillsUSA Members.

OBSERVER RULE

Observers will be allowed to watch the contest, provided space is available. No talking or gesturing is permitted. Grievances may only be filed by a contestant prior to leaving the contest area. Contestants may be disqualified for any communication with observers. The facilitator/judges may remove observers and/or close the event at their discretion.

SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS

PROVIDED BY TECHNICAL COMMITTEE/HOST SITE:

- Styling stations and chairs
- All necessary information and supplies for the judges
- Electrical access (one outlet per contestant)

SUPPLIED BY CONTESTANT:

- One-page resume with contestant number. A hard copy must be provided at contest orientation.
- Pencils for written test (*written exam may be administered online in advance of the competition)
- Mannequin stand or tripod
- Mannequin of choice. Hair must be prepared prior, i.e.: pre-braided, pre-gelled (ready for weave attachment)
- Bonding glue, wig caps, thread and needle
- Weave or hair pieces
- Styling products: Spritz, hair spray, oil sheen, spray on hair color
- Thermal irons and stoves, blow dryer
- Rubber bands, hair/Bobby pins, clips/clamps
- Scissors, clippers
- Brushes, combs
- Drape, neck strips, towel

Additional supplies must be approved by the Technical Committee in advance.

SCOPE OF CONTEST

Contestants will demonstrate their ability to create an original weave style comparable to industry standards using sewing &/or bonding, cutting, and styling techniques. Competencies the technical committee will consider are:

- The style must be an original, creative, weave design.
- The difficulty of the style should show evidence of advanced skill level.
- The style must include attaching, shaping & thermal styling of artificial hair.
- Neatness of style.

The contest will be facilitated in three parts:

1. Bonding or sewing – 60 minutes
2. Cutting – 30 minutes
3. Thermal Styling – 45 minutes

Judging will occur after each component. Safety and sanitation will be judged throughout the competition.

Multiple colors of weave may be used. Bonding and/or sewing methods of attaching the weave to the hair are both acceptable; braiding is not acceptable as an attachment method. Mannequin's hair must be prepared prior to contest, i.e.: pre-braided and/or pre-gelled (ready for weave attachment). Pre-contest preparation is worth 50 pts of the final score.

Please note: Live models are not permitted.

SCORING

Timing:	
Bonding or sewing /60min	125 points
Cutting /30min	125 points
Thermal styling /45min	125 points
Sanitation/Cleanliness	100 points
Professionalism	100 points
Creativity/ Difficulty of Style	100 points
Quality & neatness of style	125 points
Written Test	100 points
Professional Development Test	50 points
Mannequin Prepared Beforehand	50 points
TOTAL	1000 points