SkillsUSA California
Barbering
2019 State Contest

Description: This contest is designed to show off the contestant’s preparation and knowledge in the field of barbering in areas of sanitation and to evaluate each contestant’s preparation for employment and to recognize outstanding students for excellence and professionalism in the field of Barbering. It is open to all students enrolled in programs with barbering and cosmetology as the occupational objective.

State Competition:

• Students must wear the proper dress uniform that is required for nationals. It consists of an official SkillsUSA white polo shirt, Skills USA official lab coat, black dress slacks or skirt, black socks, women can wear black or skin-tone hose, and black work or dress shoes. Contestants may wear apron during the contest. The dress shirt can be purchased at www.skillsusastore.org.
• There will 50 points penalty for incorrect dress. If a student cannot afford to purchase the official SkillsUSA dress shirt, they may wear an appropriate white shirt with no logos or markings and will not be penalized; however, the black slacks and shoes are required. Students must wear their dress to orientation as well.
• Students are required to bring their own supplies, tools and doll heads. The doll head could be colored prior to the contest. * DO NOT PRE-CUT YOUR DOLL HEAD.
• Students may be required to complete 50 questions’ written test and turn in resumes at orientation.

During the contest students will perform a knowledge contest that will a mini Resume, Job application and a Mini Interview. Contestants will have 45 minutes to complete the Mini Resume & Job Application and the Mini Interview will range 10-15 mins in length.

Contests and Time Limit :

• Written test (during orientation)- 1 hour
• Interview and Communication Contest- 45 minutes
• Men’s Flat Top- 1 hour
• Men’s Creative Free Style Design Cut and Beard Design Including Color- 2 hours

Total Contest Time will be no more than 4 hours (not including the written test).

Notes: The contest criteria were drawn from industry standards identified by Skills USA technical committee, which includes Burmax Co. Inc., WAHL Clippers. Milady, Pivot Point. and National Barber Association. Judges may not necessary judge on step by step procedures. They can just judge in few areas of the process, and it would be decided prior to the competition. Competition could be switch to a “demonstration only”, if there is a low number of participants (less than six).
Contest Requirements:

*Students must bring a tripod and two male doll heads; one mannequin could be pre-colored. It will be used for the Creative Cut and Beard Design Contest. Mannequins should be at minimum of 5” hair length. Any shorter hair mannequin will be disqualified.

1. Provided by SkillsUSA:
   - Timekeeper
   - Any pictures used for haircut designs
   - First Aid Kit
   - Outlets for power
   - Tables
   - Mirrors (if available)

2. Materials provided by Contestants:
   - Cutting shears
   - Thinning shears
   - Razor and spare blade
   - Clipper
   - Trimmers
   - Blow dryer or any thermal tools
   - Styling products of choice
   - Finishing spray
   - Combs
   - Brushes
   - Spray bottle (filled with water)
   - Haircolor of choice (Professional Temporary: examples are pencils, chalks, spray, or hair paint. Any type of temporary color not requiring water to rinse is acceptable)
   - Towels (minimum of 6) and paper towels
   - Neck strips
   - Clippies or hair clips
   - Hospital grade disinfectant in a labeled spray bottle
   - Hand sanitizer
   - Blood spill kit (must contain a bio-hazard bag)
   - Tripod
   - #2 pencil and a blue or black pen
   - All competitors must create a one-page Résumé to be turned in at Contestant Orientation.
   - Contestants must create a colored drawing of their creative haircut design with color application and beard design with beard coloring. It should include a written description of the method used to create the design and a picture of the final.
• Competitors will need two copies of their design theme, one is to be attached to their mirror during the competition. NO pictures from a magazine or internet, it MUST be hand drawn.
• A hard copy of the Resume (U) and Drawing (V) must be submitted to the technical committee chair at orientation.

Contest Description

Contestants will have 4 hours (depending on schedule) to complete the four components of the contest:

1. **Written test (1 hour – 100 possible points):** Contestants would answer a multiple-choice test. It will include but be not limited to the basic knowledge of the SKILLS USA as well as the State health and state regulations, sanitation, client protection, procedure precautions, and health hazards involved in the barbering practice.

2. **Interview and Communication Skills (1 hour – 100 possible points).** Student will follow oral and written instructions, respond to oral questions, and demonstrate skill and career readiness by participation in a job application scenario and a mock interview. Complete employment application. Complete Mini Resume. Introduce themselves and respond to oral questions. Verify resume information and demonstrate critical thinking skills.

3. **Men’s Flat Top Cut (1 hour – 200 possible points):** Students execute a men’s flat top haircut on manikin at a length selected by the National Technical Committee. Student will perform the haircut using shears, thinning shears, texturizing shears, razor and/or clipper and trimmers as needed, demonstrate the correct techniques for cutting a Flat Top, demonstrate fading, blending, sectioning, lining and finishing. If needed, Contestant may apply styling aid to help Fine tune the flat top. Complete style using desired styling products. Student must follow all safety and sanitation procedures and maintain a clean area at all times.

4. **Men’s Creative Freestyle Design Cut and Beard Design including hair and beard color of your choice (2 hours- 500 possible points)** It will include an oral presentation of the Creative Design: Student will identify the theme of the men’s creative freestyle design cut and beard design including hair and beard color on paper and turn in hard copy to technical chairman at orientation. A second copy of the freestyle design should be with the contestant during the skill portion of the competition. Student will demonstrate fading, blending, sectioning, lining and finishing. He or she will create a men’s creative freestyle design cut and beard design including hair and beard color. Any type of temporary haircolor can be used. Finish the hair design using blow dryer or thermal tools such as curling iron, flat iron, styling products etc., as needed. The finished style should demonstrate balance, proportion and form in the finished creative cut and beard design. Incorporation of current trends in both haircut, haircolor and beard design should be performed. Follow all
safety and sanitation procedures and maintain a clean area at all times. Contestant will give a 1-3 min speech on their design to the judge.

*NOTE: Judges will decide what are the most important steps to judge prior to the contest.*

Contest procedures *can just be judge in few areas of the process*; it would be decided prior to the competition without notice. *Competition could be switch to a “demonstration only”, if there is a low number of participants.*

All content is subject to change before the competition.