



# 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
- Electrical access (one outlet per contestant)

### ***SUPPLIED BY CONTESTANT:***

- One-page resume with contestant number. A hard copy must be provided at contest orientation.
- 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
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1000 points</b>