



## Cosmetology

### 2024 SkillsUSA Michigan State Championships Contest Description Task and Materials List

#### CONTEST LOCATION:

Courtyard Grand Rapids Downtown  
11 Monroe Avenue NW  
Grand Rapids, MI, US  
616-242-6000  
<http://www.ourcourtyardgr.com/>

#### RESUME:

Each student must submit a one-page printed resume before the contest start at the contest site (present to contest coordinator, not judges). The resume is no longer submitted online. This is the only time that resumes can be turned in. Failure to do so will result in a 10 point penalty.

#### PURPOSE:

To evaluate each contestants' preparation for employment and to recognize outstanding students for excellence and professionalism in the field of cosmetology.

**DRESS CODE: Official SkillsUSA dress- without blazer, jewelry must be businesslike. No smart/regular watches. Plain white shirt, with or without buttons, with or without collar. No undergarments showing. Black dress slacks or black knee-length skirt. Allblack shoe closed toe with less than a 1" heel. No boots of any kind including dress boots. Socks or hose not required but if worn, plain black dress socks or seamless hose in black or skin tone. Hair must be clean, tied back if long and professional in appearance.**

**ELIGIBILITY:** Open to active SkillsUSA members enrolled in programs with cosmetology as the occupational objective.

#### TASKS TO BE PERFORMED:

1. Long Hair Design
2. Ladies' Long Hair Cut and Design
3. Uniformed (90 degree) Hair Cut only.
4. Men's Short Hair Cut and Design
5. Communication Skills
6. Written Exam\* *Note: Cosmetology General Knowledge Technical Assessment will no longer be offered at the contest site. Students will have access to this scored assessment online during the state testing window. The Professional Development Test will also be given online and will be used as a tiebreaker.*

*\*Note: Proper sanitation must be maintained throughout the contest. Draping of the*

*mannequin is optional on all services.*

EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS SUPPLIED

- Mannequin tripod
- Mirrors, tables and chairs
- Long Hair Mannequin (Lauren, not for sale) must stay on contest site.
- All necessary information and supplies for the judges technical committee
- Any and all pictures or literature of styles, haircuts and/or technical information.

SUPPLIED BY THE CONTESTANT

Two brand new mannequins for haircuts. Yours to keep.

- o Order from Burmax at 800-645-5118
- o Sam II mannequin 19" to 21" long in blonde
- o Mr. Sam male mannequin without facial hair. Style Mention SkillsUSA to get discount price
- Towels
  - 1 page resume
  - Small First Aid Kit
- Clips of any necessary size and type
- Curling iron, blow dryer
- Scissors, razor, thinning shears, clippers (**optional**)
- Hair spray, setting lotions, styling aids
- Combs with measurements, brushes
- Bobby pins and hair pins (optional)
- Water bottle (filled)
- Extension cords and or power strip (grounded 3 prong is suggested)
- Plain rubber bands, optional
- Hand mirror, optional
- Thermal stove/iron (optional)
- **Sack lunch/cooler with your school's name clearly labeled. Bring to contest area, no leaving allowed!**

**Note #1: Other items brought by the contestant will be subject to the approval of the technical committee.**

**Note #2: A representative (non-competitor) from each school must be present Friday, April 12, 2024 at the contest site no later than 3:00 pm to set up the contest room.**

**Note #3: Contestants will not be released from the contest site after competition until the site (including floor) is cleaned up. This includes the contestant holding room/lunch room.**

**Note #4: Any item missing, a deduction in points will be assessed.**

#### SCOPE OF THE CONTEST:

I. Contestants will demonstrate their ability to perform jobs or skills from the following list of competencies.

#### **A. Creative Long Hair Design**

Competitors will have 1 hour to complete the long hair design of their choice

- A long hair mannequin Lauren (one falling length) will be loaned to each competitor
- No cutting
- No ornamentation or hairpieces allowed
- Design should reflect fantasy/competition or special occasion hair designs.

- Any technique: braiding, twisting, rolls, loops, etc. may be included and is encouraged.
- Thermal tools and styling products may be used.
- Bring your own rubber bands, hairpins, or bobby pins

### **B. 90-Degree Haircut:**

Competitors will have 45 minutes to complete a 90 Degree uniformed haircut.

- Using a male mannequin, competitors must create a uniformed (90 degree) haircut 5 to 7 inches in length.
- This haircut may only be performed using shears.
- Judges will be checking for uniformity, required length and constant 90-degree elevation throughout the haircut.
- Leave a water bottle and comb for judges.
- This mannequin is to be used for the next cut in the competition.

### **C. Men's Short Cut and Design:**

Competitors will have 45 minutes to duplicate a man's haircut and design that has been pre-selected by the technical committee.

- Photo will be provided
- Duplicate the haircut using shears, thinning shears, texturizing shears, razor and/or clippers as needed
- Duplicate the length, design line and textured look of the selected cut.
- Duplicate the finished design using blow dryer or thermal tools such as curling iron, flat iron, etc. as needed.
- Use appropriate styling products to duplicate the selected haircut/style.
- Duplicate the balance of form, control of texture and the control of the hair direction.
- Design selected by the technical committee will reflect the National competition styles. **Photos of men's and women's haircuts will be posted prior to the contest for your viewing. Photos will be posted online February 1, 2024.**

### **D. Woman's Hair Cut & Design**

Competitors will have 45 minutes to duplicate a haircut and design that has been pre-selected by the technical committee.

- Photo will be provided
- Duplicate the haircut using shears, thinning shears, texturizing shears, razor and/or clippers as needed
- Duplicate the length, design line and textured look of the selected cut.
- Duplicate the finished design using blow dryer or thermal tools such as curling iron, flat iron, etc. as needed.
- Use appropriate styling products to duplicate the selected haircut/style.
- Duplicate the balance of form, control of texture and the control of the hair direction.

- Design selected by the technical committee will reflect the National competition styles. **Photos of men's and women's haircuts will be posted prior to the contest for your viewing. Photos will be posted online February 1, 2024.**

### **E. Communication Skills:**

Contestants will follow written and/or oral instructions, respond to oral questions and demonstrate customer service skills in a two to three-minute simulated work scenario.

You are booking an appointment for SkillsUSA.

1. Immediately introduce yourself to judges-Use first name ONLY not last and do not mention the name of your school. 2. Pay Special attention to body language, eye contact, tone of voice dictation, and confidence while presenting. 3. Be prepared to answer additional questions from the judges. 4. You will be notified of the service you will be booking by the judges.

When booking an appointment:

- Use a pleasant voice.
- Introduce yourself to the client
- Use the client's name.
- Verify client information.
- Offer additional Salon services.
- Ask client if they have any questions.
- Book client
- Be friendly, helpful and sincere.

### **OTHER ITEMS**

1. Contestants can only compete in one contest.
2. Fill water bottle before entering test site.
3. Leave long hair mannequin on holder at your station after completion of contest.

**Requirement: Contestants must provide a resume' prior to competing. Failure to present a resume' will result in a 10 point penalty.**

**\*No cellphones allowed at any time during the duration of the competition. Cell phone use the competition/holding area will lead to disqualification.**

**\* Bring own lunch - contestants cannot leave contest site for lunch.**

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**SkillsUSA Michigan  
Cosmetology  
Program Schedule**

<b>COSMETOLOGY</b>		
8:00 AM	Contestants Report/Orientation	
8:30 - 9:30	Creative Long Hair Design	1 Hour
9:30- 9:45	Judging of Long Hair Design	15 Minutes
9:45 - 10:30	90 Degree Haircut	45 Minutes
10:30-10:45	Judging of 90 Degree HC	15 Minutes
10:45 - 11:30	Men's Short Cut & Design	45 Minutes
11:30-11:45	Judge Men's Cut & Design	15 Minutes
11:30 - 12:00	Lunch	30 Minutes
12:00 - 1:00	Communication Skills	Varies
1:00 - 1:45	Woman's Haircut & Design	45 Minutes
1:45	Contestants Report to Holding Room/Complete Communication Skill if Needed	
1:45-2:00	Judging on Woman's Cut & Design	15 Minutes
2:00	Contestant Return for Judges Meet & Greet/Clean up	Until done



## SKILLS USA COSMETOLOGY COMPETITION SCORE SHEET: MENS CUT AND DESIGN

JUDGE#: \_\_\_\_\_

Category: \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary \_\_\_\_\_ Post Secondary

SKILLS EVALUATED	Possible Points	Contestant Number & Scoring							
<b>MATCHES PREDETERMINED CUT</b>									
Reflects Photo	100								
Overall Length	50								
Control/Polished	50								
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	200								

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