



## Braiding and Hair Design

*The purpose of the high school braiding and hair design contest is to showcase creativity, skill, and individuality in the art of hairstyling, while promoting self-expression and craftsmanship among students.*

<b>On-Site/Off-Site</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● On-Site</li> </ul>
<b>Contest Date</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 3/18/2025</li> </ul>
<b>Contest Location</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Convention Center</li> <li>● B-Hall</li> </ul>
<b>Early/Normal Start Time</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Normal Start Time</li> <li>● Registration will open at 8:00am. Please report to B-Hall Show Office for Registration.</li> <li>● Competition will begins at 10:00am.</li> <li>● 10:00am - 10:30am Sign in and registration, kit check</li> <li>● 10:30am - 11:00am Orientation</li> <li>● 11:00am - 11:30am Written test</li> <li>● 11:30am - 12:00pm Lunch</li> <li>● 12:00pm - 1:00pm Manikin head braiding</li> <li>● 1:00pm - 2:00pm Cleanup / Interview / Reset</li> <li>● 2:00pm - 4:00pm Creative Hair Design</li> <li>● 4:00 - 4:30pm Cleanup &amp; Final Judging</li> <li>● 4:30pm Parade of Champions</li> </ul>
<b>Contest Open/Closed</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Open</li> <li>● Exhibit Halls do not open to observers until 12:00pm.</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility &amp; Contest Type</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Please refer to the Program Guidelines for eligibility- <a href="https://www.ohioskillsusa.org/resources/">https://www.ohioskillsusa.org/resources/</a></li> <li>● State Only Contest (Only runs in Ohio- winner does not proceed to Nationals)</li> </ul>
<b>Clothing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b><u>For Competition Day the Dress Code is:</u></b> Class G</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b><u>For the Awards Ceremony the Dress Code is:</u></b> Class A or Class J</li> <li>● <b>2025 SkillsUSA Ohio Clothing Guide</b></li> </ul>
<b>Safety Equipment Required</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● N/A</li> </ul>
<b>Testing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● There is no written test required for this competition.</li> </ul>
<b>Provided by Contestant (Tool List)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Rubber bands</li> <li>● Combs</li> <li>● Shears</li> <li>● Products for styling (wax, gel, etc.)</li> <li>● Clips</li> <li>● Synthetic hair</li> <li>● Capes</li> <li>● Temporary coloring product if using</li> <li>● Towel</li> <li>● Hand sanitizer / disinfectant</li> <li>● Accessories for embellishments</li> <li>● Tripod / clamp</li> <li>● Manikin</li> <li>● Model</li> <li>● First aid kit</li> <li>● Crochet hook is permitted</li> <li>● Bobby pins if doing an updo</li> <li>● Hairspray / finishing products</li> <li>● Photos</li> <li>● Roll of tape</li> <li>● Neck strips</li> <li>● Loom permitted</li> <li>● Manikin Head - length of hair needs to be 18 inches-20 inches.</li> <li>● Price of Manikin head not to exceed \$75.00. Must bring a receipt for manikin head.</li> </ul>
<b>Contest Notes, Themes, &amp; Deadlines</b>	<p><b><i>Live Model - Creative design portion of contest:</i></b> The theme for the Creative Hair Design portion is "Ignite Your Potential." Have a picture of the design that they will do on an 8"x10" photo, and they must use 3 of the 6 elements listed. No heat is permitted. 2 hours is allotted for this portion. A dollar limit on supplies will be \$10 and cannot exceed that amount, you must provide a receipt to prove the amount.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Embellishments (beads or hoops)</li> <li>2. Option of color weave in or any color extension</li> <li>3. Multiple strand braid</li> <li>4. Finger waves (no heat, must use a product to accomplish)</li> <li>5. Up-do</li> <li>6. May use temporary spray color</li> </ol>

	<p><b>Manikin Head - Braiding portion of contest:</b>  (No off-site braids on head)  Manikin will be sectioned into two halves of the head.  One half of the head is Box Braids, the other half is Cornrows.</p> <p>Box Braids:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Minimum is 1" x 1"</li> <li>- Length is maximum of 18"</li> <li>- No heat (burning melting) only rubber bands at the ends</li> <li>- Synthetic hair only (no pre-color only natural as the manikin comes)</li> <li>- Extension color must match the color of manikin</li> </ul> <p>Cornrows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Minimum of 4 cornrows must be on the head</li> <li>- No heat (burning / melting) only rubbers bands at the ends</li> <li>- Synthetic hair only (no pre-color only natural as the manikin comes)</li> </ul>
<b>WIFI Provided?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No</li> </ul>
<b>Special Notes/Rules for All Contests</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Started in 2024, all Skilled Trade State Contests (most leadership contests already use scenarios) will begin to add a scenario-based component.</li> <li>● <b><u>Wi-Fi will NOT BE AVAILABLE unless listed above</u></b> . If you need WIFI access please plan to bring a hotspot.</li> <li>● All safety requirements will be heavily enforced. Competitors are to follow all safety standards and OSHA Regulations</li> <li>● <b><i>Contestants MUST HAVE A COPY OF THEIR EMERGENCY MEDICAL FORM IN THEIR NAME BADGE AT ALL TIMES</i></b></li> <li>● <b><u>THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE PROHIBITED; VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING MAY RESULT IN COMPETITOR DISQUALIFICATION:</u></b></li> <li>● Contact with Contest Coordinators is prohibited. Contact with Contest Coordinators outside of the SkillsUSA Ohio is strictly prohibited.</li> <li>● Possession of smart watches and/or phones during the contest and/or in contest.</li> <li>● Contact with anyone outside of the contest area once the contest begins.</li> <li>● Inappropriate communication between contestants such as verbally degrading another contest.</li> <li>● Cheating on any portion of the contest such as informing another contestant of the skills/test prior to competing.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Lack of Copy Emergency Medical Form in Name Badge.</li></ul>
<b>National Technical Standards</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Please refer to the <b>2024-2026 National Technical Standards</b> for all contests. All standards included may be tested in any competition.</li><li>● In conjunction with National Standards, lack of understanding of State Level competition standards (this document) may result in student loss of contest.</li></ul>
<b>Resume/Interview Requirement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● All SkillsUSA Ohio State Championship Contests will require a short interview component. Students should be prepared with basic job interview skills.</li><li>● All contestants <b><u>must have a hard copy</u></b> of a one (1) page personal resume.</li></ul>