



## 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. Competition will begins at 10:00am.</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>	<p><b><u>For Competition Day the Dress Code is:</u></b> Class G</p> <p><b><u>For the Awards Ceremony the Dress Code is:</u></b> Class A or Class J</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <a href="#">2025 SkillsUSA Ohio Clothing Guide</a></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>

**Provided by Contestant  
(Tool List)**

- Rubber bands
- Combs
- Shears
- Products for styling (wax, gel, etc.)
- Clips
- Synthetic hair
- Capes
- Temporary coloring product if using
- Towel
- Hand sanitizer / disinfectant
- Accessories for embellishments
- Tripod / clamp
- Manikin
- Model (Must be registered in Registration System)
- First aid kit
- Crochet hook is permitted
- Bobby pins if doing an updo
- Hairspray / finishing products
- Photos of the Creative Design they will be doing must be 8"x10"
- Roll of tape
- Neck strips
- Loom permitted
- Manikin Head - length of hair needs to be 18 inches-20 inches. Price of Manikin head not to exceed \$75.00. Must bring a receipt for manikin head.

**Contest Notes,  
Themes, & Deadlines**

**Live Model Portion of Contest- Creative Design**

- 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 below. 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.
  1. Embellishments (beads or hoops)
  2. Option of color weave in or any color extension
  3. Multiple strand braid
  4. Finger waves (no heat, must use a product to accomplish)
  5. Up-do
  6. May use temporary spray color

	<p><b>Manikin Head - Braiding Portion (No off-site braids on head)</b></p> <p>Half of the Manikin Head will for Cornrows and the other Half for Braids.</p> <p><b>Box Braids Portion:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum is 1" x 1"</li> <li>• Length of braid is maximum of 18"</li> <li>• No heat (burning melting) only rubber bands at the ends</li> <li>• No pre-color only natural as the manikin comes</li> <li>• Extension color must match the color of manikin</li> </ul> <p><b>Cornrows Portion:</b></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>• No pre-color only natural as the manikin comes</li> </ul>
<p><b>WIFI Provided?</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No</li> </ul>
<p><b>Special Notes/Rules for All Contests</b></p>	<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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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> </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>