

To: GA Cosmetology Instructors
Georgia Skills USA State Contest

February 2008

Dear Instructors/Advisors,

Congratulations on having the honor of competing at State level in the Georgia Skills USA Cosmetology Contest! As you are aware, Maxwell High School, in Gwinnett County, is the host site for this Contest. I hope the following information is helpful as you prepare for the contest.

- The contest date is Friday, April 25, 2008
- Contestant briefing will begin at 2:00 PM sharp at Maxwell High in the Cosmetology classroom. Contest closing will be at 5:00 PM
- Contestants should *bring two mannequins and stands*. *One mannequin should have long hair* to create an evening style, prepared as needed to complete the style. One hour will be allocated for the Long Hair Design. Hairpieces or ornaments may not be used to enhance the evening style. The *second mannequin should have at least 9 inches of hair length*. It will be used for a haircut and style. The completed haircut should resemble an A-line Bob. Please refer to Milady's Standard Cosmetology Textbook, (2004 Edition) on Page 289, A-line Bob. There is no attachment to this letter describing the haircut. The haircut should look like figure 11-26 on page 289. Forty-five minutes will be allocated for the cut and style. Please refer to Skills USA Championships Technical Standards (2008-2009) for information regarding additional equipment and supplies for use during the contest.
- Contestants will also participate in Communications Skills and a written examination (Multiple Choice Test) covering different aspects of Cosmetology.
- Contestants shall wear an official Skills USA white top, black slacks (no jeans), black leather/vinyl work shoes with black socks or skin-tone hose. The Skills USA Championship Technical Standards Guide contains information on where to purchase official clothing. General contest rules as stated in the new manual will apply.
- Space is very limited in the lab because of an increase in the number of contestants. Depending on the final number of contestants, space for seating to observe the contest may not be available for Advisors and visitors.
- Guests may not communicate with contestants in any fashion once the contest has begun. Doing so will create a point loss or even possible disqualification.
- First, second and third prize winners will not be announced until the closing ceremony on Saturday, April 26, 2008 at the awards ceremony.
- Judges are not able to reveal any information regarding scores or winners.

Hopefully, you will find this information helpful to you, however, if you have any questions, my email address is: Irene_Muse@Gwinnett.K12.ga.us

Sincerely yours,

Director / State Skills USA Contest
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