

Barbering

In Barbering, students get the opportunity to work in a professional barbershop setting where they can apply what they've learned in school to real-world techniques for haircuts and grooming. The program focuses on job-specific skills to prepare students for careers as barbers, while also providing a solid foundation in science. Students learn everything from cutting and styling hair to shaving, beard grooming, and important topics like sterilization and sanitation. They also build confidence as they practice their skills on clients, getting ready for the fast-paced and creative world of barbering.

After completing the program, passing the Texas Barbering Exam, and paying the required fees, students can earn their Texas Barbering State License right after graduation, opening doors to a successful and rewarding career in the barbering industry!

Example Occupations

Hairdressers, Hairstylists, and Cosmetologists

Median Wage: \$27,286

Annual Openings: 8,014

10-Year Growth: 25%

Skincare Specialists

Median Wage: \$35,112

Annual Openings: 778

10-Year Growth: 38%

First-Line Supervisors

Median Wage: \$36,795

Annual Openings: 2,253

10-Year Growth: 29%

Data Source: Texas Wages, Texas Workforce Commission. Retrieved 3/8/2024.

Endorsement:
Public Service

Student Organization





Barbering Program of Study

**Level 1:
Grade 9****Complete High School Graduation Requirements**

The Cosmetology and Barbering program of study begins for students in the 10th grade. Ninth grade students interested in cosmetology and barbering should focus on completing courses at their high school campus so that they may attend the Guthrie Center Cosmetology & Barbering program beginning in 10th grade.

**Level 2:
Grade 10****Principles of Cosmetology Design & Barbering AND Introduction to Cosmetology & Barbering (taken consecutively)**

Students gain academic knowledge and technical skills related to cosmetology and barbering design including form, lines, texture, structure, and illusion as it relates to the art of cosmetology and barbering. Instruction includes sterilization and sanitation procedures, hair care, nail care, and skin care. These courses are the first courses for both the Barbering and Cosmetology programs of study.

**Level 3:
Grade 11****Barbering I (starting 2026-2027)**

Barbering I is an extended course of study that enables students to become licensed Barbers through the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR). Barbering is a program that allows students to earn an industry certificate that launches them into a professional career immediately, yet also specifies rigorous curricula that prepares the student to be successful in a post-secondary learning environment.

**Level 4:
Grade 12****Barbering II (starting 2027-2028)**

Barbering II is an extended course of study that enables students to become licensed Barbers through the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR). Barbering is a program that allows students to earn an industry certificate that launches them into a professional career immediately, yet also specifies rigorous curricula that prepares the student to be successful in a post-secondary learning environment.

*Students who pass the written and practical exams for barbering operator license may apply for their barber operator license through the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation. More information can be found at:
<https://www.tdlr.texas.gov/barbering-and-cosmetology/individuals/apply-barber.htm>*

IBC: TDLR Barber Operators License



Cosmetology



In Cosmetology, students get the chance to work in a salon-like setting where they can apply what they've learned in school to real-world hair and beauty techniques. The program teaches job-specific skills to help students get ready for careers in cosmetology, while also giving them a strong foundation in science. Students learn cutting and styling hair to nail and skin care, plus important topics like sterilization and sanitation. Students also gain confidence as they practice their skills on clients, preparing them for the fast-paced, creative world of cosmetology.

After completing the program, passing the Texas Cosmetology Exam, and paying the necessary fees, students can earn their Texas Cosmetology State License right after graduation, opening the door to a rewarding career in the beauty industry!

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Cosmetology Program of Study

Level 1: Grade 9	<p>Complete High School Graduation Requirements</p> <p><i>The Cosmetology and Barbering program begin for students in the 10th grade. Ninth grade students interested in cosmetology and barbering should focus on completing courses at their high school campus so that they may attend the Guthrie Center Cosmetology & Barbering program beginning in 10th grade.</i></p>
Level 2: Grade 10	<p>Principles of Cosmetology Design & Barbering AND Introduction to Cosmetology & Barbering (taken consecutively)</p> <p><i>Students gain academic knowledge and technical skills related to cosmetology and barbering design including form, lines, texture, structure, and illusion as it relates to the art of cosmetology and barbering. Instruction includes sterilization and sanitation procedures, hair care, nail care, and skin care. These courses are the first courses for both the Barbering and Cosmetology programs of study.</i></p>
Level 3: Grade 11	<p>Cosmetology I</p> <p><i>Students experience hands-on training, learn from guest artists, study trips, and a self-paced curriculum focused on competitions, salon skills, and the Texas Cosmetology State Examination. Students are responsible for providing their Beauty Supply Kit.</i></p>
Level 4: Grade 12	<p>Cosmetology II</p> <p><i>Students will have an intense focus on industry readiness and the Texas Cosmetology State Licensing Examination. Upon successful completion of Cosmetology II, students have an opportunity to obtain the Texas Cosmetology State License by passing written and practical examinations. Students are responsible for providing their Beauty Supply Kit.</i></p> <p><i>Students who pass the written and practical exams for cosmetology operator license may apply for their cosmetology operator license through the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation. More information can be found at: https://www.tdlr.texas.gov/barbering-and-cosmetology/individuals/apply-cosmetologist.htm</i></p> <p><i>IBC: TDLR Cosmetology Operator License</i></p>