Contest Description
Students demonstrate their skills in haircutting, hair styling and long hair design in three separate tests. All work is performed on mannequins. A display of creativity is seen in the long hair segment of the competition, where these future salon professionals demonstrate their own design skills.

Tasks To Be Evaluated
- 90/90 uniform layer haircut (6-inch final result) – 45 minute timing
- Picture style (to be performed on finished haircut) – 30 minute timing
- Long hair up-do (special occasion hairstyle) – 60 minute timing
- Oral interview with scenario

Supplies Provided by Contestant
- Cutting shears
- Flat iron and/or curling iron or choice
- Blow dryer
- Professional styling products (not over-the-counter)
- Combs and brushes
- Hair clips, bands and pins
- Spray bottle filled with water
- 2 manikins – one for 90 degree cut (uncut prior to competition), one for long hair style
- Manikin stand – table clamp or tripod acceptable
- Towel and disinfecting wipes

Additional Information
- Kit assembly and uniform guidelines should be followed to avoid penalties
- Be familiar with the 90/90 uniform-layer haircut. The final length of the cut should be uniformly 6 inches in length. Steps are as follows:
  - Tools assembled.
  - Create a 4-section parting.
  - Drop a 1” circular guide around the perimeter.
  - Establish the guide length in the back center.
  - Cut back guide from center to ear and from center to the other ear.
  - Establish the guide length in the center front.
  - Cut front guide from the nose to the ear and then from the nose to the other ear.
  - Establish an interior guide at the top of the head.
- Part a 1” section from apex to forehead and cut at 90° matching the apex to the front guide.
- Part a 1” section from the apex to the nape and cut at 90° matching the apex to the nape.
- Use vertical parts to blend from the top guide to the back hairline.
- Maintain a 90° projection throughout the cut.
- Follow a traveling guide while working from the top to bottom.
- Cross-check.
- Check Perimeter.
- Clean and organize station.

- Picture style performed on 90 degree haircut:

![Picture style performed on 90 degree haircut](image)

- Long hair style should be styled in an up-do fashion. Hair hanging down, besides accent pieces, will not be allowed. Hair accessories are not permitted.