

## 2026 OKLAHOMA SLSC STATE MEMO

### Barbering

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**NO SUBSTITUTIONS WILL BE ALLOWED AFTER FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2026. THERE WILL BE NO SUBSTITUTIONS ALLOWED ON-SITE AT THE CONFERENCE**

**Tentative-Information is subject to change, check back often**

**\*Contest will follow national technical standards unless otherwise stated in the state memo.**

The 2026 Oklahoma SkillsUSA **Barbering contest** will be held April 20, 2026, at **Arvest Convention Center, formerly known as Cox Convention Center, Tulsa Oklahoma. Instructors and Contestants must stay and help with teardown after contest ends.**

#### **CONTEST TESTING**

Contestants will be judged on their SkillsUSA knowledge through the Professional Development test. There will not be a barbering knowledge test. Testing will be completed online and proctored through their technology centers. Online testing opens March 16, 2026, and closes April 3, 2026.

#### **RESUME- Change to submission type please for 2026 please read**

All contestants will submit a digital resume prior to contest day. Contestants will receive an email to the address used to register the contestant for contest with instructions and link to access the SkillsUSA Competitor Portal page. The email will contain contestant's username and contestant number, which are required to login to the Competitor Portal.

Deadline to submit resume is April 8th, 2026.

#### **CONTEST FEES**

In addition to the regular conference registration, there will be a contest supplies fee of **\$155**. This charge is to offset the cost of contest supplies. This fee will be added to the contestant's registration when it is completed online.

#### **Lunch**

Box Lunches will be supplied to all contestants for a fee of (\$25) No other food will be permitted in the contest area unless prior approval by contest chair.

## **CELLPHONES AND OTHER SMART DEVICES**

Cellphones, electronic watches and/or other electronic devices not approved by a competition's technical committee are NOT allowed in the competition area. Please follow the guidelines in each technical standard for approved exceptions. Technical committee members may also approve exceptions onsite during the SkillsUSA Championships if deemed appropriate.

## **SETUP (Updated 04/01/2026)**

**SET UP WILL TAKE PLACE AT 4:00 pm on Sunday April 19<sup>th</sup>.** An email will go to teachers asking if they want to set up or clean up, Assignments will be posted and emailed out the Friday prior to the contest

**Set up at 4:00pm**

**Registration 5:00pm**

Check-in and registration at 5:00 p.m. Sunday, April 19, in the Exhibit Hall contest area.

- **Contestants' ID Badges will be handed out during registration.**

**\*\*\*\* Bring Sketch Written Description to Check-In \*\*\*\***

**Contestant Meeting 5:30 p.m.** in the Convention Center Exhibit Hall in the contest area. All

contestants must have their name badge and their contestant number.

**This orientation meeting is required of all contestants.** If a contestant misses this meeting, he/she is disqualified. If a contestant is involved in a leadership contest, which creates a time conflict with the contestant meeting, the contest chair (of both contests) must be notified before the meeting to make arrangements.

**A roll call will be taken at the contestant meeting**

**THEME: Space**

**Kit Check:** will be conducted in the morning of the competition. Please have the contestants bring their kit, sketches, and/or written descriptions if required

- **Pictures of the haircuts will be shown to the competitors at the time they will be executing that section of the competition.**

**Call to Order at 5:30 p.m. – Cosmetology, Barbering, Esthetics, and Nail Contest Coordinator.**

- Announcements and Introductions
- Review agenda for each contest

**Volunteers for the contests come from the industry. Please be courteous and appreciate their time, energy, and dedication to our students.**

**Instructors:** Do not remove chairs, tables, or pipe/draping from other contest areas.

**Absolutely no instructors are allowed in the roped-in area.**

- **Absolutely no communication between instructors, observers, and contestants during the contest, lunch, or breaks. Violations of the rule could result in the student being disqualified.**
- **Cellphones, electronic watches and/or other electronic devices not approved by a competition's national technical committee are NOT allowed in the competition area**

**Manikins**

The Barbering manikins will be Ryan Deluxe Bearded (Burmax), Jake (Burmax) and Dwayne (Burmax). The hair on the manikins will not be shampooed or conditioned. Students can take manikins back to school with them after the contest.

Cosmetology Area Contests- Jennifer Richardson/ Reagan Rager, will contact you if needed for assistance in some capacity during the state conference.

**Barbering Contest Agenda  
Monday, April 20, 2026**

8:00-8:30 Check-in & Kit Check

8:30-9:25 Men's Duplicate Haircut and style

- 8:30 - 8:40 Setup
- 8:40 - 9:25 Men's Haircut and Style (45 minutes)
- 9:25 – 9:40 Judging

9:40-10:00 *Break for Contestants*

10:00-11:05 Men's Second Duplicate Haircut and style

- 10:00 -10:10 Setup
- 10:10 -10:55 Men's Haircut and Style (45 minutes)
- 10:55 – 11:10 Judging

11:10-11:50 *Lunch for contestants*

12:00-2:10 **Men's Creative Freestyle Design Cut and Beard Design (90 mins)**

- 12:00 -12:10 Setup
- 12:10 -1:40 Creative Freestyle Design Cut and Beard Design
- 1:40 – 2:00 Judging

**CLEAN UP- HELP with Clean up**

**\*\*\*\* Times are subject to change \*\*\*\***

## **INDUSTRY AWARDS**

**Prizes are the responsibility of individual contests. Prizes are not guaranteed and are not supplied at the SkillsUSA Oklahoma state level.**

Prize Committee Chairpersons are **Tamara Chandler**. Please contact the chair with prizes that will need to be checked in. **Each participating school is expected to furnish an industry award.** Industry awards should be labeled with the name and address of the award supplier so that an appropriate "Thank you" may be sent.

**Please bring prizes to the awards area in Conference Hall at the Arvest Convention Center, Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> between 12-4pm or Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup> between 8am-5pm.**

## **AWARDS CEREMONY**

Winners will be recognized at the General Session on Tuesday morning, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 9am.

**All competitors must wear official SkillsUSA dress to the Awards Session, where winners are announced. Competitors who are not dressed appropriately or lack official attire will be denied access to the awards stage. Students must be present when their contest is announced. If a student is improperly dressed, absent, or misses their contest being called, the production will not be paused for any reason, and they will forfeit their opportunity to go on stage to receive the award. No exceptions will be made. No hats or sunglasses will be allowed to**

**be worn on stage.**

- Official dress for men: Official blazer, jacket or sweater; black dress slacks; white dress shirt; plain black tie with no pattern or SkillsUSA black tie; black socks and black shoes.
- Official dress for women: Official blazer, jacket or sweater; black dress slacks or knee-length skirt with business like white, collarless blouse or white blouse with small, plain collar that may not extend onto the lapels of the blazer, and black dress shoes.

**TOOLS AND SUPPLIES:**

**1. Supplied by the technical committee:**

**\* Mannequins for all areas of the competition**

**a. Mirror and table**

**b. All pictures or literature of styles, haircuts and creative instruction details related to the competition's tasks. Note: Pictures will not be provided until competition time.**

**c. Competition creative design theme.**

**2. Supplied by the competitor (checked during kit check):**

**a. Cutting shears**

**b. Thinning shears**

**c. Razor and spare blade**

**d. Clipper (detachable metal blades are to be used unless otherwise noted)**

**e. Trimmer**

**f. Blow dryer**

**g. Comb(s)**

**h. Brush(es)**

**i. Spray bottle filled with water**

**j. Professional temporary hair color of choice: examples include pencils, chinks, spray, or hair paint. Any type of temporary color not requiring water to rinse is acceptable.**

**k. Towels (minimum of 6)**

**l. Neck strips**

**m. Clippies or hair clips**

- n. Labeled spray hospital-grade disinfectant
- o. Hand sanitizer
- p. Tripod
- q. One roll of tape
- r. One roll of paper towels
- s. First aid kit

- Competitors will provide a written description of the inspiration and method used to develop their creative design. The description must be typed and be at least a half page in length. One copy should be brought to be judged.

**Each competitor shall bring a tripod stand for their manikin.**

**Supplied Not Checked:**

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- Power Strip

**CLOTHING REQUIREMENTS**

Contestants will follow official contest dress as described in the national technical unless otherwise stated in the state memo. Students cannot wear any identifying information on their uniform that will associate them with a school or technology center.

**STANDARDS COVERED DURING STATE CONTEST**

**Follow National Technical**

\*We will not be following BAR 1.0. **There will be NO interview.**

\*BAR 2.0. **Students will not submit their portfolios online and it will not be part of the competition**

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### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

If you have any questions about the contest, please contact the, **Reagan Rager**  
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**National Technical Standards can be found on Pathful, which you can access with your professional SkillsUSA membership. Technical are updated periodically, please check regularly.**