Hair Coloring

Hair Coloring is a one-credit course that provides students with study and experience in hair coloring and lightening. Emphasis is placed on color application, laws, levels and classifications of color, and problem solving. Upon successful completion of this course, students are able to identify all phases of hair coloring and its effects upon the hair and perform procedures for hair coloring and lightening. Problem-solving and critical-thinking skills are essential, and many opportunities are provided for student growth in level of competence. The prerequisite for this course is Introduction to Cosmetology.

Career and technical student organizations are integral, cocurricular components of each career and technical education course. These organizations serve as a means to enhance classroom instruction while helping students develop leadership abilities, expand workplace-readiness skills, and broaden opportunities for personal and professional growth.

Principles of Color Theory

Students will:

1. Identify primary, secondary, and tertiary hues on a color wheel.

2. Interpret laws of color theory with regard to base colors, levels, and tones.

3. Distinguish among factors that influence color selection.
   Examples: color harmony, skin tone, complexion, computer imaging

4. Describe possible reactions to various hair coloring chemicals.

5. Compare characteristics and qualities of hair coloring developers.

6. Identify classifications of hair coloring.

7. Analyze skin tones to determine compatibility to hair color.

Hair Color Application Techniques

8. Demonstrate safety procedures used prior to hair coloring.
   • Practicing patch and strand tests
   • Using a cosmetology record card


10. Describe techniques for performing hair lightening, special effects, and corrective hair coloring.

11. Differentiate among types of products used for various classifications of hair coloring.
12. Analyze hair and scalp to determine types of hair color application.


14. Demonstrate techniques for performing hair lightening, special effects, and corrective hair coloring.