



LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY

**ALTERNATIVE HAIR DESIGN
PRACTICAL TESTING
INFORMATION**



PHASE I

(15 MINUTES)

3 STRAND OVER BRAID (INVISIBLE)

- BRAIDS MUST BE NEAT
- PROPER TENSION MUST BE DEMONSTRATED THROUGHOUT
- OVERALL APPEARANCE SHOULD BE CLEAN
- BRAID MUST BE CENTERED IN THE BACK OF THE HEAD
- BRAID MUST FOLLOW THE CONTOUR OF THE HEAD
- MUST BE COMPLETED ON LONG HAIR MANNEQUIN
- MINIMUM OF THREE COMPLETED BRAIDS



PHASE II

(30 MINUTES)

- MINIMUM OF TWO COMPLETED BRAIDS
- MUST BE COMPLETED ON SHORT HAIR MANNEQUIN
- BRAIDS MUST BE NEAT AND EVEN
- PROPER TENSION SHOULD BE USED THROUGHOUT THE FINISHED BRAID AND PROCESS
- SEW-IN EXTENSION MUST BE ADDED TO ONE OF THE VISIBLE BRAIDS (CORNROWS)
- SEWING MUST BE EVEN
- REMOVAL OF THE SEW-IN EXTENSION MUST OCCUR APPROPRIATELY WITHOUT DAMAGE TO THE NATURAL HAIR OR SCALP



PHASE III

(30 MINUTES)

BONDED EXTENSION ADDITION AND REMOVAL

- ONE WEFT (TRACK) EXTENSION MUST BE BONDED TO THE MANNEQUIN PRIOR TO ARRIVING AT THE TESTING FACILITY
- STUDENTS WILL BOND ONE EXTENSION TO THE HAIR
- BOND MUST BE CLEAN
- SECTIONS MUST BE EVEN
- STUDENTS WILL THEN REMOVE THE ORIGINAL EXTENSION THAT WAS BONDED ON THE MANNEQUIN PRIOR TO ARRIVING TO THE TESTING FACILITY



PHASE IV

(25 MINUTES)

FEED-IN BRAIDED EXTENSIONS

- TWO BRAIDS MUST BE UNDER-HANDED
- HAIR MUST BE BLENDED AND LOOK SMOOTH
- TWO FULL BRAIDED STRANDS MUST BE COMPLETED
- TENSION MUST BE EVEN
- BRAIDS MUST BE COMPLETED



GENERAL INFORMATION

- You must have TWO forms of identification: State issued driver's license, LA Wallet, Social Security Card, or Passport

These forms of identification cannot be EXPIRED

- You must have your registration letter from LSBC
- You must be in dress code: All Black, All White, White Top/Black Bottoms, Any color shoe is permitted (closed toe-closed heel), no crop tops, halter tops, shorts, overalls, skirts unless below the knee with leggings, full coverage tops- no cleavage, attached sleeves, no underarms showing, no strapless or sleeveless tops
- You must arrive on time, 8:30am
- 9:00am is the cutoff time for entry, you will NOT be allowed to enter after 9:00am, no exceptions
- All phones and devices are not permitted inside of the testing facility; this includes digital watches, earbuds, earphones, and any other electronic devices. If you have any questions regarding this policy, please contact our testing department prior to your exam day.
- Talking amongst other testing participants is not permitted.
- You must arrive with all tools and items ready to test.