

Summer 2025

**DEPARTMENT OF
REGIONAL SCHOOLS
AND INSTRUCTIONAL
PROGRAMS**

GC TECH

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Dear GC Tech Cosmetology Students and Families,

For students to receive their NYS Cosmetology License, applicants must “*complete a 1,000 hour approved course of study and pass both the New York State written and practical examination.*”¹ Nassau BOCES GC Tech has 447.5 hours built into each academic school year.² In addition, the Cosmetology Program has an added 5 minutes built into their schedule each day, giving students an additional 15 hours a year. As a result, students in the Cosmetology Program have an opportunity to receive 462.5 hours of instructional time each year to count towards their needed 1,000 hours.

GC Tech will offer after-school support sessions, opportunities for approved independent study, and a summer school program to ensure all students can meet their 1,000-hour requirements.

After-School Support Sessions: Students will have an opportunity to stay after school to acquire additional hours needed to meet the 1,000-hour requirement and receive extra help as they prepare to take their NYS Cosmetology Licensing Exam and NOCTI Technical Endorsement Exam. Seats will be limited for each session, and students must register in advance. The after-school support sessions schedule will be released later this year.

Approved Independent Study: Throughout the school year, Nassau BOCES GC Tech offers options for ***125 Independent Hours of Cosmetology Independent Study*** (see attached). Students can independently explore additional activities to meet the 1,000 hours needed to be eligible to sit for their NYS Cosmetology Licensing Exam. Each activity must be approved in advance, and students must also write a short reflection paper summarizing their experiences. Please note that any WBL hours acquired outside of school are included in the 125 hours of Independent Study.

Summer School Program: Students can attend the Cosmetology Summer School Program offered at Nassau BOCES Barry Tech, located in Westbury, where students can accumulate up to 100 additional hours. There is no charge for this program the summer between their junior and senior year; however, students *must* register in advance and *must* attend if they did register. There are limited seats. Mrs. Piarulli, GC Tech's guidance counselor, will discuss this opportunity with students closer to the end of the year.

Students should strive to complete a minimum of 500 hours each year. Throughout the year, GC Tech will send benchmark letters home to inform you of your child's progress to the 1,000-hour requirement. Should you have any questions, please call the main office at 516-604-4200.

Options for Additional Instructional Time

GC Tech After School Program <i>Hours & Dates TBD</i> Transportation is not provided.	TBD
Barry Tech Cosmetology Summer School Program <i>Hours & Dates TBD</i> Transportation is not provided.	Maximum of 100 hours

Options for 125 Independent Hours of Cosmetology Independent Study

A maximum of 125 hours of approved activities listed below may be used towards the 1000-hour requirement. In general, these activities are completed independently by the student outside of the regular school day. Students wishing to use these experiences to complete the required hours must be in good academic standing based on attendance and grade requirements.

Activity	Max Hours
Barbering and Cosmetology intervisitations	5
Career Safe - OSHA 10 Safety Training (<i>online, can be completed at home</i>)	10
Client Services	
CO-OP Internship Experience for Receptionist placement– (MUST be pre-approved by Ms. Bast)	50
Cosmetology related trade shows - (Photos to document attendance and a 1-2 page report describing the experience and knowledge gained from the activity)	20
Curricular based activities in a clinical setting such as performing hairstyles or make-up for school fashion shows, drama presentations, or health and beauty community service days. Students must complete a reflection paper.	10
Industry Related Field Trips + 1-2 page report describing the experience and knowledge gained from the activity	10
Medical Assisting/EMT Cross-disciplinary Burn Unit (Special effects make-up)	5
Pre-approved Outside Industry Certifications (Barbacide, Provana, etc)	20
Related student leadership organization activities (e.g. SKILLS USA / NPFH/ Fundraising Events – Prom Boutique, St. Baldrick's Event)	25
Pre-approved guest speakers + 1-2 page report describing the experience and knowledge gained from the activity	10
Pre- approved Salon Visitation + 1-2 page report describing the experience and knowledge gained from the activity	5
Student Skill Demonstrations (TECHSGIVING / GC Tech Open House, Career Fairs)	10

**Cosmetology New York State Licensing Requirements – 1000 Hours
Acknowledgement Form**

I understand that to meet the 1,000-hour requirement for eligibility to sit for the NYS Cosmetology licensing exam, I must maintain good attendance and utilize the following options

- After-School Support Sessions
- Approved Independent Study
- Summer School Program

Please sign below to acknowledge your understanding of this policy.

Student Name (PRINT): _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (PRINT): _____

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