

Cosmetology Pathway Decision

NAME _____ DATE _____ PERIOD _____

Use the Texas Cosmetology Operator Evidence Guide. Do not guess a cost, completion date, or number of high-school hours when the source does not provide it.

Word bank: license = state permission to perform regulated work · route = place or sequence used to prepare · requirement = condition every applicant must meet · unknown = fact the current source does not establish

1. State requirements that both routes share

Training hours: _____

Exams: _____

Minimum application age: _____ Current application fee: _____

2. Compare two places to complete the training

Use short phrases in the table. Write **unknown - ask** _____ when the fixed source does not answer the question.

QUESTION	IRVING ISD HIGH-SCHOOL ROUTE	LICENSED POSTSECONDARY SCHOOL
When and where could training happen?		
What state requirements stay the same?		
One possible advantage		
One possible challenge		
One fact I still need before enrolling		

3. Choose a route for this scenario

Scenario: Alex wants to begin training as early as possible, but Alex also needs a plan that fits transportation and family cost. Alex is willing to meet with a counselor before choosing.

Recommended route: _____

Use one verified fact and one unanswered question in a 3- or 4-sentence recommendation.

Use this frame if helpful: I recommend [route] because the evidence says [verified fact]. Before enrolling, Alex still needs to ask [source] about [question].

4. Build the enrollment question list

Write the exact question Alex should ask each source.

Counselor or CTE office - ask about application, campus, schedule, transportation, or course sequence:

TDLR or licensed school - ask about cost, hours, exams, or approval:

5. Put the verified license steps in order

Number these from 1 to 5.

- ☐ Apply for the Cosmetology Operator license.
- ☐ Complete the 1,000-hour course at a licensed school.
- ☐ Take and pass the practical exam.
- ☐ Become eligible for and pass the written exam.
- ☐ Confirm the license and renewal requirements.