

# HAIR BRAIDER REGISTRATION

**Aligned Program of Study:** Cosmetology

## Description

The Hair Braider Registration is required to offer hair braiding services in Tennessee. This registration signifies sixteen hours of training in *health, hygiene, and sanitation* and is **not equivalent** to the Natural Hair Stylist License. In Tennessee high schools, this training must be provided by a licensed cosmetology instructor using materials chosen by the instructor, AND the **awarding of the training certificate MUST be at the discretion of the licensed cosmetology instructor.**

*Hair Braider Definition: A person that uses techniques that result in tension on hair strands, such as twisting, wrapping, weaving, extending, locking, or braiding of the hair, by hand or mechanical appliances for compensation, without cutting, coloring, relaxing, removing, chemically treating, or using other preparations to straighten, curl, or alter the structure of the hair.*

## Preparing to offer the certification

Required Instructor Qualification: Licensed Cosmetology Instructor

How to register student training:

Following training, **if the student is deemed a qualified candidate**, the instructor will provide the student a document/certificate detailing the 16 training hours, instructor name, and licensure, and school. This document must be attached to the student's online registration. Following the registration process, the student will receive a registration card from the Tennessee Department of Commerce & Insurance for use in their place of business.

<p><b>Materials and resources vary by high school program. To register a student as a hair braider, go to the <a href="#">Cosmetology and Barber Examiners website</a>, choose Apply/Renew License, and attach training documentation. The price for registration is \$30.00. This registration must be renewed biennially.</b></p>	
<b>Governing Body</b>	<b>Contact Information</b>
<a href="#">Tennessee Board of Cosmetology &amp; Barbering Examiners</a>	<a href="https://www.tn.gov/commerce/regboards/cosmo.html">https://www.tn.gov/commerce/regboards/cosmo.html</a>