**Pre Enrollment Information**

**Barber Tech Academy LLC**

**PHYSICAL DEMANDS & SAFETY REQUIREMENTS OF THE PROFESSION**

The Barbering Profession requires use of upper body and hands. Some may experience problems with shoulders, arms, hands, leg and back. There may be hazards associated with implements or chemicals, and in some circumstances may result in allergic reactions.

**COMPENSATION A GRADUATE CAN REASONABLY EXPECT**

Since 1990, NACCAS has commissioned several Job Demand Surveys, to provide quantitative data on cosmetology careers, earnings potential, and job openings. The most recent survey, completed in May 2007, compiles data from 6,203 salons responding to a national survey. The 2007 Job Demand Survey results indicate that salons in South Carolina plan to hire 5,880 new employees in the next twelve months. The average annual salary for a salon professional in South Carolina is $38,719. This amount does not include tips and gratuities. Nationally, the average salon professional’s salary is $35,973. Most importantly, 85 percent of South Carolina salon owners who attempted to hire new employees in 2006 said they were unable to find properly-trained applicants. This means that jobs would be immediately available for salon professionals.

As of January 2007, there were 31,095 professionals employed at South Carolina’s 6,248 salons. 50 percent of salons in the state are employer-owned, and 25 percent are booth-rental salons. The other 25 percent are a combination of the two. 47 percent of South Carolina salons are classified by their owners as full-service salons; 19 percent are listed as haircutting salons. Barbershops make up 19 percent of the total. Nationally, 58 percent of salons are listed as full-service, meaning that South Carolina has a considerably higher percentage of specialized establishments.

**SCHOOL SUPPORT SERVICES/LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS**

In order to begin classes at Barber Tech Academy LLC, student must receive permit issued by the SC Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation. This board is also responsible for the licensing of barbers. The licensing requirements for barber school students are as follows:

* Student must complete 1500 clock hours of state approved barber school
* Student must complete application for examination, paying appropriate fees
* Student must pass both theory and practical portions of examination with at least 70%

After passing the examinations, student will receive an apprentice license, which said student must serve as an apprentice under a licensed master hair care specialist for one year. After one year, student will receive master hair care license. The student will not have to take any more exams.

***2015 SCHOOL OUTCOME RATES from Annual Report: Completion – 50%, Placement – 100%, Licensure – 100%***