

NASSAU BOCES - ADULT EVENING PROGRAM
Joseph M. Barry Career & Technical Education Center
1196 Prospect Ave.
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COURSE OUTLINE

Course Name: **Pet Grooming**
Weeks: 10
Sessions: 20
Hours: 60
Days/Time Mon./Wed. 7-10pm
Instructor: tba
Required Textbook: None
Prerequisites: None
Adult evening Office: (516) 622-6950

Course Overview:

This course will provide the knowledge and practical hands-on experience in pet grooming for an entry-level position or for personal enrichment. Topics include but are not limited to safe handling, grooming equipment, coat types, breed cuts, clipper use, scissoring and common medical problems. Students are asked to bring own pets on a rotating basis and animals must have proof of vaccinations. It is recommended that students have a current tetanus shot. Additional cost: Some grooming supplies (list provided at first class).

Related Certificate Program: Pet Grooming Certificate for a total of 60 hours.

Course Topics in Order:

- Topic 1: Safety and Handling
 - Safety in the Animal Care Facility
 - Collar and lead usage
 - Muzzles
 - Proper lifting techniques
 - Canine body language
- Topic 2: Breeds (dogs and cats)
 - AKC groups
 - Herding
 - Non-Sporting
 - Sporting
 - Toy
 - Terrier
 - Working
 - Hound
- QUIZ - Safety
- Topic 3: Topographical Canine Anatomy
- Topic 4: Grooming equipment and usage
 - Brushes, Coat Types, Nail Trimmers,
 - Styptic powder,
 - Combs, Scissors, Thinning Shears,
 - Hemostats

Topic 5: Ears and Nails

Ear structure, Ear cleaning, Ear hair plucking,
Nail structure, Nail trimming

Topic 6: Shampoo

Different shampoo and coat types
Dilution

Topic 7: Clipper Use

Proper handling technique
Blade sizes and uses
Attachment combs
Cleaning blades and clipper
QUIZ on session 1-6 (midterm)

Topic 8: Bath

Pre-work (clipping sanitary areas)
Brush outs
Safely handling and securing a dog into the tub
Water temperature
Proper shampooing method
Rinsing

Topic 9: Drying

Blow Drying
Cage Drying

Topic 10: Breed Cuts

Poodle Cuts
Westie
Schnauzer
Poodle faces

Topic 11: Scissoring

Proper scissoring technique
Scissoring face
Scissoring paws
Scissoring ears

Topic 12: Common Medical Problems

External parasites
Fleas
Ticks
Methods of treatment and prevention for pet
Topical treatment
Oral treatments
Methods of treatment and prevention for home

FINAL Exam will cover material from all 12 topics