HAIR SALON ACADEMY

Field guide for educators

STYLES BY AMBER
CREATE • CARE • CONFIDENCE



GRADES K-5

Subject Connections:
Science • Math • ELA
Social Studies • Art • STEM

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ABOUT THE EXHIBIT

A kid-sized interactive salon where children role-play as stylists and salon owners while exploring their diversity, entrepreneurship, math-literacy, self-care and caring for others.

ESSENTIAL QUESTION

How can a salon help people feel cared for while using math, creativity, and business skills?

STUDENTS WILL...

- Explore diverse hair textures and practice caring for hair.
- Use pretend money and math to run salon services.
- Build confidence through positive self-affirmations.

GEORGIA STANDARDS CONNECTIONS

SCIENCE
SKP1
Observation, sorting, organizing supplies, measurement, and hands-on manipulation

MATH
K.NR.1.4
K.MDR.7
3.MDR.5
K-5.MP
Operations, money, multiplication, time, measurement, and problem solving.

ELA
K.P
K.L
K.T
Conversation, explaining strategies, reading appointment information, and communicating with clients.

SOCIAL STUDIES
SSKE1
SSKE2
SSKE3
SSKE4
Entrepreneurship, small business, community service, roles, and caring for others

STYLIST VOCABULARY

STYLIST – person who provides hair service.

TEXTURE – feel or pattern of hair.

CLIENT – person receiving a salon service.

SERVICE – job or treatment provided.

APPOINTMENT – scheduled time for a service.

SALON – place where a beauty services are provided.

ENTREPRENEUR – person who starts or runs a business.

AFFIRMATION – positive statement about yourself.

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SCAVENGER HUNT!

Find these items in the Salon Exhibit!

- ○ Shampoo station
- ○ Manicure station
- ○ Affirmation words
- ○ Styling cape
- ○ Hair cape

MUSEUM CHALLENGE

TEXTURE BAR
Style diverse mannequens with coily, curly, wavy, and straight hair.

PAY & PLAN
Calculate servicecosts, accept play money, and explore business math.

CONFIDENCE MIRROR
Wear salon capes, look in the mirrow, and proctice positive affirmations.



AT HOME

✓ **Talk it out:** Ask them to explain why they chose an addition or multiplication strategy for the supply closet.

✓ **Keep it concrete:** Encourage your child to count out their physical $10, $20, and $50 Salon Money bills to visually solve the multi-step cash register problems.

TAKE IT FURTHER BACK IN THE CLASSROOM

- Create a pretend salon menu with service prices.
- Use play money to calculate totals and change.
- Arrange salon supplies into groups or arrays.
- Build an appointment schedule and calculate elapsed time.
- Compare hair textures respectfully and talk about hair care.
- Practice a positive affirmation in the confidence mirror.

CAREER CONNECTION

✓ **Hair Stylist**
✓ **Nail Technician**
✓ **Salon Owner**
✓ **Beauty Educator**
✓ **Receptionist**

What job would you like to try?

DID YOU KNOW

The salon experience connects business math with creativity, fine-motor skills, self-care, hair diversity, confidence, and community service.

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