



MODIFIED CITIGATION ORDER

Citation Issued To: Stay Fresh Barber Academy 355 West Mission Avenue Escondido, CA 92025	Citation Number: 25260036
	Total Fine Amount: \$4,502.00
Institution Code: 16191429	Order of Abatement Included: Yes

Elizabeth Elias issues this modified citation in her official capacity as Deputy Bureau Chief of Enforcement at the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education, California Department of Consumer Affairs (hereinafter referred to as the "Bureau").

LICENSING HISTORY

1. On or about January 24, 2024, the Bureau issued an Approval to Operate a Private Postsecondary Institution, Institution Code 16191429, to Stay Fresh Barber Academy hereinafter referred to as the "Institution". This Approval to Operate will expire on or about January 23, 2029, unless renewed.

DISCIPLINE HISTORY

2. The Institution has no prior discipline history.

CITATION JURISDICTION

3. This administrative citation is issued to the Institution pursuant to California Education Code (CEC) section 94936; and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations (5 CCR) section 75020 et seq. for the violation(s) described below.

CITATION HISTORY

4. On or about October 2, 2025, the Bureau issued Citation No. 25260036. On or about October 23, 2025, the Bureau received an appeal with a request for an informal conference and an administrative hearing. The informal conference was held on November 24, 2025. New substantive information

was presented during the informal conference; therefore, the Bureau modifies the citation as follows:

**CAUSE FOR CITATION &
MODIFIED ASSESSMENT OF FINE AND/OR ORDER OF ABATEMENT**

5. The Institution is in violation of the following Bureau laws and regulations:

Violation #1:

5 CCR section 71920(b)(1)(A) - Student Records and 5 CCR section 71930(e) - Maintenance of Records

Cause for Citation: On or about November 12, 2024, the Bureau conducted an announced compliance inspection pursuant to CEC 94932.5(a). Bureau staff reviewed six student files and found that all student files reviewed failed to contain verification of high school completion or equivalency or other documentation establishing the student's ability to do college level work.

Administrative Fine: Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75030, the Bureau has determined this to be a "Class A" violation. The Institution is issued a fine of \$2,501.00.

Administrative Fine: Modified. The Bureau modifies the administrative fine from \$2,501.00 to \$1,500.00. The Bureau modifies the violation from a "Class A" violation to "Class B" violation.

Order of Abatement: Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75020, the Bureau issues the following order of abatement:

The Bureau orders the Institution to submit a statement of attestation that they will maintain required student records pursuant to 5 CCR sections 71920 and 71930. The statement of attestation must be signed and dated by an authorized representative of the Institution.

Order of Abatement: Affirmed. The abatement has been satisfied.

Violation #2:

5 CCR section 71800(c) – Enrollment Agreement and CEC section 94911(a) – Minimum Requirements for Enrollment Agreements

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Cause for Citation: On or about November 12, 2024, the Bureau conducted an announced compliance inspection pursuant to CEC 94932.5(a). Bureau staff reviewed six student files and found that the enrollment agreements failed to contain required data pursuant to 5 CCR section 71800; specifically, subsection (c) and required data pursuant to CEC section 94911; specifically, subsection (a).

Administrative Fine: Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75030, the Bureau has determined this to be a "Class B" violation. The Institution is issued a fine of \$1,001.00.

Administrative Fine: Affirmed.

Order of Abatement: Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75020, the Bureau issues the following order of abatement:

The Bureau orders the Institution to ensure the enrollment agreement follows the law pursuant to 5 CCR section 71800 and CEC section 94911. The Institution must submit a statement of attestation that they have corrected the violation and provide a copy of the enrollment agreement to the Bureau. The statement of attestation must be signed and dated by an authorized representative of the Institution.

Order of Abatement: Affirmed. The Order of Abatement has been satisfied.

Violation #3:

5 CCR section 71920(b)(3) – Student Records, 5 CCR section 71930(e) – Maintenance of Records and CEC section 94900.5(c) – Required Institutional Records

Cause for Citation: On or about November 12, 2024, the Bureau conducted an announced compliance inspection pursuant to CEC 94932.5(a). Bureau staff reviewed six student files and found that two of the six student files reviewed failed to contain a School Performance Fact Sheet (SPFS), which is a required institutional record.

Administrative Fine: Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75030, the Bureau has determined this to be a "Class A" violation. The Institution is issued a fine of \$2,501.00.

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Administrative Fine: Modified. The Bureau modifies the administrative fine from \$2,501.00 to \$1,000.00. The Bureau modifies the violation from a "Class A" violation to "Class C" violation.

Order of Abatement: Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75020, the Bureau issues the following order of abatement:

The Bureau orders the Institution to ensure all student records are maintained pursuant to 5 CCR sections 71920, 71930 and CEC section 94900.5. The Institution must submit a statement of attestation that they have corrected the violation and will ensure that all student records contain signed and dated SPFS prior to the execution of the enrollment agreement. The statement of attestation must be dated and signed by an authorized representative of the Institution.

Order of Abatement: Affirmed. The Order of Abatement has been satisfied.

Violation #4:

CEC section 94900(a) – Required Student Records and 5 CCR section 71930(e) – Maintenance of Records

Cause for Citation: On or about November 12, 2024, the Bureau conducted an announced compliance inspection pursuant to CEC 94932.5(a). Bureau staff reviewed six student files. Bureau staff found that the Institution did not maintain students records pursuant to CEC section 94900. Specifically, five student files reviewed failed to contain the e-mail address and telephone number of each student who is enrolled in an educational program.

Administrative Fine: Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75030, the Bureau has determined this to be a "Class C" violation. The Institution is issued a fine of \$1,000.00.

Administrative Fine: Modified. The Bureau modifies the administrative fine from \$1,000.00 to \$500.00. The Bureau modifies the violation from a "Class C" violation to "Class D" violation.

Order of Abatement: Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75020, the Bureau issues the following order of abatement:

The Bureau orders the Institution to submit a statement of attestation they will maintain required student records pursuant to CEC section 94900. The

statement of attestation must be signed and dated by an authorized representative of the Institution.

Order of Abatement: Affirmed. The Order of Abatement has been satisfied.

Violation #5:

5 CCR section 71720(b)(2) – Faculty, 5 CCR section 71930(e) – Maintenance of Records and CEC 94900.5(b) – Required Institutional Records

Cause for Citation: On or about November 12, 2024, the Bureau conducted an announced compliance inspection pursuant to CEC 94932.5(a). Bureau staff reviewed three faculty records and determined that the Institution did not maintain faculty records regarding continuing education (CE) courses in the subject area, classroom management or other courses related to teaching for two instructors.

Administrative Fine: Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75030, the Bureau has determined this to be a “Class B” violation. The Institution is issued a fine of \$2,500.00.

Administrative Fine: Modified. The Bureau modifies the administrative fine from \$2,500.00 to \$501.00. The Bureau modifies the violation from a “Class B” violation to “Class C” violation.

Order of Abatement: Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75020, the Bureau issues the following order of abatement:

The Bureau orders the Institution to ensure all faculty records follow the law pursuant to 5 CCR sections 71720, 71930 and CEC section 94900.5. The Institution must submit a statement of attestation they have corrected the violation and ensured that all faculty records are in compliance with the law. The statement of attestation must be dated and signed by an authorized representative of the Institution.

Order of Abatement: Affirmed. The Order of Abatement has been satisfied.

COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER OF ABATEMENT

6. In accordance with the provisions of CEC section 94936 and 5 CCR sections 75020 and 75040, the Bureau issues the order(s) of abatement described above. Evidence of compliance with the order of abatement

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must be submitted to the Bureau within 30 days from the date of issuance of this modified citation. Evidence of compliance with the order of abatement may sent by mail or email to:

- Mail: Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education
Attn: Discipline Unit – Nicole Pedersen
1747 North Market, Blvd., Suite 225
Sacramento, CA 95834
- Email: bppe.discipline@dca.ca.gov
 - In the subject line, please include the Institution name and citation number.

COMPLIANCE WITH ASSESSMENT OF FINE

7. In accordance with the provisions of CEC section 94936, and 5 CCR section 75020 et seq., the Bureau hereby orders this assessment of fines in the total amount of \$4,502.00 for the violations described above. Payment of the fines must be made to the Bureau within 30 days from the date of service of this modified citation. To assist the Bureau in processing the payment of fines, please submit the enclosed *Payment of Fine – Waiver of Appeal* form.

Payment must be sent to the Bureau by mail at:

- Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education
Attn: Discipline Unit – Nicole Pedersen
1747 North Market, Blvd., Suite 225
Sacramento, CA 95834

NOTICE OF APPEAL RIGHTS

8. Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75040(d), the modified decision is considered final, unless a request for a hearing was filed timely.

If the Institution requested a hearing and no longer chooses to proceed with the hearing, the Institution may request to withdraw the request for a hearing.

COMPLIANCE WITH FINE AND/OR ORDER OR ABATEMENT DISCLOSURE

9. Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75050, payment of the fine and/or compliance with any order of abatement does not constitute an admission of the

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violation charged and shall be represented as satisfactory resolution of the matter for the purposes of public disclosure.

Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75050, failure to comply with this citation order, its order of abatement, and/or administrative fine by the required due date is grounds for denial or discipline of an approval to operate. Where a citation is not contested and fine is not paid, the full amount of the assessed fine shall be added to the fee for renewal of the approval to operate. An approval to operate shall not be renewed without payment of the renewal fee and fine. The Bureau may also enforce the administrative fine as if it were a money judgment pursuant to CEC section 94936.

BUREAU CONTACT INFORMATION

10. If you have any questions regarding this Citation, please contact Nicole Pedersen, Citation Analyst by email at Nicole.Pedersen@dca.ca.gov or by phone at (916) 232-0510.

“Original Signature on File”

12/08/2025

Elizabeth Elias
Deputy Bureau Chief of Enforcement

Citation Date of Issuance

Enclosures:

- Payment of Fine
- Withdrawal of Request for Administration Hearing
- Declaration of Service by Certified and First-Class Mail