

Cuts for Kids program is a cut above

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Who doesn't remember giving at least a little bit of thought – though it was usually a whole lot of thought – into what to wear on the first day of school.

But looking great on that all-important day isn't just about the outfit. By the end of the summer, most kids need to get those scraggly summer locks trimmed up as well. But with all the expenses associated with a new school year, sometimes there's not much money left for a salon trip.



Through Aug. 31, the Cuts for Kids program by Remington College offers free haircuts.

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To keep your kids from starting the year with a bad hair day, Remington College has you covered. Through the end of August, the cosmetology school is running its Cuts for Kids program, which provides free haircuts to kids 16 and under who are accompanied by a parent.

There's a nice perk in the program for those parents as well. Bring a new, unused school supply with you and you can enjoy a free haircut, manicure or pedicure while your child gets a trim. All school supplies collected will be donated to EE Taylor Elementary School.

"More than 70 percent of our students in Richland 1 qualify for free or reduced-price lunch based on their household income," says Karen York, director of communications for Richland School District One. "These families want their children to have school supplies and everything else they need just like any other family, but it can be a struggle for them. That's why school supply drives and the generosity of individuals, organizations and businesses in the community, like Remington College, are so critical in helping to meet those needs."

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