Everett Community College believes the world of technology is growing quickly in the Cosmetology Industry. Our program is designed to prepare students to be highly skilled in every aspect of the job responsibility. Technology is being used more and more in the salon for scheduling clients, marketing with social media, using the internet for resources, credit card transactions and advertising by posting pictures of your work. EvCC Cosmetology is now requiring the use of an iPad (instead of the $400 textbook bundle) as part of the class training. Below are some frequently asked questions regarding our program and the iPad.

**Q: Which iPad should I buy?**

**A:** There are a few things that might help you decide, first we strongly recommend that you do not purchase an iPad with a 3G/4G data plan. They are very expensive, have ongoing monthly charges, and are very difficult to monitor. We require the iPad or iPad Air (no iPad Mini) with 16 GB memory and WiFi capability. We suggest checking the Apple store for details, availability and discounts.

**Model:** Due to the growth of technology the newer models will be supported longer.

**Memory:** For the work being done in the Cosmetology program 16gb of memory is sufficient. Deciding on the memory will be dependent on how you choose to use your device outside of school. Music, videos, and large amounts of pictures tend to take up memory.

**Q: I have concerns about carrying an expensive device. What can be done?**

**A:** We provided lockers for each student; however locks are the student’s responsibility. We encourage students to always keep valuable belongings in your locker and locked when not in use. EvCC also has a theft policy you can find in the student handbook on page 34.

**Q: What if I am not comfortable with technology? Can someone help me get up to speed on the iPad? Show me how to load apps and arrange the device in a way that is most useful for their school work?**

**A:** Yes. We feel the iPad is very user friendly. The instructor in class will be educated on iPad use. There will be simple directions to what apps will be necessary for the class. You must be able to operate basic computer and word processing. If you will require assistance with basic computer skills or word processing EvCC offers CL101.

**Q: Is the wireless network at EvCC Cosmetology capable of supporting these devices?**

**A:** Yes, we have installed more wireless access points to accommodate the use of iPads used in the classroom.