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SSFS iPad Requirements for School Use 2017-2018

For the 2017-2018 school year, students in the Middle School will need to have an iPad for daily academic use. SSFS Upper School students may choose to have an iPad as their device as part their BYOD program. This document outlines the minimum storage and software requirements for iPad usage.

We currently recommend the iPad Air II with WiFi and at least 32GB of storage, a Trident Kraken case, and 3 years of accidental damage insurance.

You may use other iPad models as long as they meet the following conditions:

- iPad 4 or newer (iPad Air II recommended)
- 16GB of storage (32GB/64GB is highly recommended)
- Able to run the latest iOS operating system
- Have a built in camera
- Have sufficient battery life to make it through the school day
- Be in good overall working condition without any cracks in the screen

In addition to the above requirements, the following are additional items to consider:

- We strongly recommend that you purchase accidental damage insurance for your device. The school has used both Worth Avenue Inc. and AppleCare for this purpose.
- **We recommend that you purchase the extra iCloud storage plan (\$0.99 per month) with 50 GB storage so the iPad will be able to automatically back itself up every night.**
- Equip your device with a strong and durable case that will protect it from falls and being bent in a backpack. We use the Trident Kraken case.
- Cases with keyboards are used by some students; this feature is a matter of personal preference.
- Be aware that if you purchase an iPad with 3G-enabled or cellular capabilities, then the school has no control over the filtering or internet access abilities for the student.