

## **Where it all Began**

When I was younger, I loved playing with hair. I loved to play with my friends, siblings, moms, dads and even my doll's hair. I continued to do hair every day whenever I was bored. I would play with my friend's hair at recess when we were bored and when I would get home from school I would do my dolls hair or my parent's hair. Ya lots of girls play with hair but I felt a different connection to doing peoples hair than others did. I loved the way that people felt after I did their hair they would always be happier and more confident with how they looked, well maybe not my dad. As years went on I became better and better, at "playing" with my friends hair. By the time I got to 8th grade, I started to think about what I wanted to do as a job in the future. I decided I really wanted to get into a salon and become a hairstylist.

One day when I was helping my mom with Time to Blossom (A girls confidence conference) she told me that I could come to school at EVIT for hair. And at first, I thought that she was joking with me but then we started doing research on it and I thought that my dream of doing hair could become a reality. Through our research we learned that I just had to be a junior and are still in high school you can get in tuition-free.

This really intrigued me. This meant that I didn't have to spend thousands of dollars to get into college to get a hair license. Researched more questions that I had and the only other thing we found was that it is a two-year program and you have to have a couple of things to get in. I kept this opportunity in mind until sophomore year of high school. This is when I really starting getting a lot of information about this trade school. I went to advisement to see what I needed to do to get in. Everything they told me was what I had to do and have to get in, buy this point there was nothing holding me back I had taken the extra classed to be ready to go to evit my Juinor year.

I eventually took the risk to be enrolled in the cosmetology field whether I got accepted or not. I got accepted and was now enrolled to start on April 7th, 2017. I was so siked I could not believe it. I now know that to get where you want, you have to take risks no matter what because you can learn from them and they can make you succeed to where you want to go in life. I am still currently enrolled in my second year and it is going better than I thought. This program had been the best thing that ever happened to me and even though my last couple months won't tuition-free, I wouldn't change the experiences I have experienced, and friendships i have made, for anything in the world.