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Seniors – What to Wear

Ok teenagers ... I know what you're thinking ... You have a closet full of clothes, but nothing to wear. Here are a few ideas that will help you choose the BEST clothes to wear in your Senior Portraits.

- Choose a VARIETY of outfits. It's a good idea to include both casual and a more formal outfit in your senior portraits. You choose one and let Mom choose one, that way everyone is happy. Keep in mind that generally your school yearbook photo requires a shirt or top that covers your shoulders, with a collared shirt for guys rather than a tee.
- For outdoor portraits. Be careful of bright greens as they often clash with the greens of the leaves and grass. Black, Khaki, pink, orange, navy, tan, gold, burgundy, dark yellow are good outdoors. I recommend staying away from white, light/pale yellow or other very light/pale colors outdoors.
- Try to stay clear of stripes. (Large bold ones are tolerable. Small thin ones will not photograph well. It's best to not use any stripes or solids with 1-2 stripes or lines.
- Your face should be the focal point of your portraits. Loud colors and busy patterns can be very distracting in your photos. Avoid large & bold patterns that might draw attention away from your face. Long sleeve solids or very subtle prints are usually the most flattering.
- Classic styles will best stand the test of time and keep your portrait looking less dated for years to come. Try wearing styles and looks that will be in style "next year" as well as this summer...otherwise your portrait will look dated in a year or two. Classic solids will always be in style. Trendy summer tops will look out of place next summer. Layered looks (vest or sweater) look great as will a jacket. Avoid hoodies or hats.
- Some poses will show your shoes so don't forget to bring shoes & socks for each outfit that you plan to wear. Barefoot and sandals! White socks don't photograph well, so bring darker ones too (just in case they show!) Guys... don't forget those belts and Gals...don't forget your jewelry!
- If you participate in sports, music, or some other activity feel free to bring your gear, instrument, or something that shows off your passion. Don't be afraid of having too much stuff.