

Studio Tips for Seniors

“Back in the day” Your parents used to get two or three quick headshots taken in the cafeteria, today a senior session has become a full-blown fashion shoot. We will shoot images that will document who you are as a Senior. Your pictures should be a reflection of who you are at this time in your life. **“JUST BE”** is our tagline and that’s just what we want when you come to our studio. **JUST BE** who you are! It is your own personal style that makes you unique. So each photo is as special as the person being photographed. We have compiled some questions that have been ask of us time and time again over the past years. Along with other things that we think you may need to know. If you have any other questions, please let our staff know. We are here to answer any questions that you may have. We are here to show you the way!!

Q: When should I have my Senior Portraits taken?

A: The summer before your Senior year is typically when it is done. Once fall sports start and school begins, our appointments are booked weeks in advance. Fall colors can be really pretty, but once the leaves start falling off the trees the variety of outdoor locations become more limited! If you wish to do creek shots, they will need to be done in the early spring. Once the hot weather moves in the water is dried up and very unpleasant looking.

Q: How much do Senor portraits cost?

A: The bottom line is that you spend what you want to. It varies greatly depending on your needs, wants and budget. You could spend as little as \$75.00. But we have had clients spend as much as a couple thousand. It really depends on you. The average client spends between \$300 and \$800. The choice is yours!

Q: How many pictures will you take?

A: We have three different packages. If you choose the Classic Package we will shoot between 20-24 poses, the Varsity Package consists of 30-40 poses and the iCandy Package has a whopping 75+. Once again, it is your choice!

Q: What clothing works best in pictures?

A: Bring your boots with the fur.... Just because your Senior portraits will be taken in the summer, don’t forget those “to die for” outfits that you wear in the cold weather. Although, individuals can wear almost anything in a pose by themselves, solid colors usually photograph best. Don’t forget your accessories. Most importantly – **JUST BE** yourself.

Q: When will I get to see my images from my photo session?

A: Your 4x5 proof album will be ready in about 10 days. You will then have two weeks to view your proofs and pick which enlargements you wish to fulfill your package. Once you place your enlargement order, we can have the finished product in about a week and a half.

Q: Does a parent have to come with me to my session?

A: That is totally up to you! Some Seniors bring mom or dad and some feel more comfortable to just come alone. Whatever you prefer is fine with us. We do ask that you limit the number of people that accompany you to one or two. This will help you to relax and give us the opportunity to focus entirely on you. In past years we have taken some very tasteful works of art with girls in bathing suits and guys with no shirts on. If this is a request of yours – a parent must be with you – no questions asked!!

Q: Why do I need pictures from a professional?

A: Your Senior portraits may not seem important to you right now. But some day your family will treasure the memories from this time in your life. Don't make the mistake of hiring someone who isn't professional and then regretting it forever. Your Senior portraits should "Tell the world who you are!"

Q: Can I bring props with me to my session?

A: Of course, we would love that! There isn't a better way to express who you are than by bringing in your own stuff. Just let us know when you make your appointment. Some examples of things we have seen in the past are sport memorabilia, cars, pets, Nascar items, stuffed animals, DVD's, Larry Bird items, hunting attire etc, etc. You can't scare us – bring it in by the baskets full....