

Graduation Portrait Tips

Are you ready to have some fun?

I sure hope so because that is what this experience is all about. Drop all your baggage from the day and come prepared to have a bit of focus on just you.

The camera doesn't hurt. It really is fun. Here are a few tips to help you better prepare for your session. Of course feel free to call me if you have any questions at all.

See you soon.
Cory Ann

Leading Up

We should have already selected your time for your session. It's probably either bright and early or early evening. Either way be sure you are up and fresh for your images. You can tell in the image if you are tired. Try to eat something and stay hydrated.

If you wear braces be aware that I do not offer a service to remove them. So you may want to ask if they can be taken off for the session.

Drinking lots of water will help you to clear up your face. And a little exercise will help you to feel fresh and have energy. We will be walking around, not spending our day in the studio.



Attire

You are not limited on your number of outfits only time. So select a few to bring and I can help you make a decision.

Basics:

- ... No logos
- ... Don't go so tight that rolls, back and armpit fat, and such are showing.
- ... Stay away from over powering stripes and patterns.
- ... Clean out your pockets

More:

- ... Bring clothes that identify you and your activities, like your athletic, music, art attire.
- ... Show off your style by selecting something fun, formal or wild.
- ... Bring at least one casual outfit. An outfit you would wear on a normal day. You know your holey jeans and T-shirt type thing.
- ... Select at least one outfit that is classic. Something that won't look dated in 20 years.
- ... Having one outfit with long sleeves is a good choice.

Hair and Make-up, etc.

Girls:

- ... Your prom dresses are sure to be a lot of fun! But bring some Hollywood tape to keep it next to your skin so nothing shows.
- ... For tanks and cami's try to get a matching bra or use a NuBra (these rock, you can get them at Tuli).
- Be sure to bring at least one top with a higher neckline. Why? Because if you don't and I zoom in for a head shot you can look naked.

Guys:

- ... If you have a suit, no reason to make it stuffy. Dress it up or down with a cool shirt or tie underneath.
- ... You don't need to wear a suit to be in classic attire, Feel free to simply wear a nice sweater.



Hair and Make-up, etc.

Do your hair before you arrive, you don't want to cut into your time.

Stay with a current style and color. Unless your doing a couture session I would recommend not trying out new colors and styles during your session. Bring some hair spray or gel for touch-ups.

Bring lipstick/gloss and powder for touch-ups. Wear your make-up a bit heavier than normal. The camera has a way of seeing right through your foundation. Apply your mascara a bit more than normal as well.

Your hands will be in your portraits so have your nails looking nice and clean.

Don't worry about that new zit that popped up. I will be doing retouching on all the images that are posted on the blog or website and all the images that are ordered.

Last

Bring accessories like jewelry, hats and other items to complement your outfit and make it you.

Feel free to bring your pets, best friend, athletic equipment, musical instruments, vehicle, etc.

If bringing people with you keep it to one or two, no more. I will send extra home. If your parents or people will make you nervous leave them at home. It's hard enough being in front of the camera.

Have Fun!

