



Your School Portrait Guide!



Yep, it's here! Kids are going back to school social distance style, and school portraits have been postponed! Of course, I am an advocate for incorporating yearly portraits of your kids into your family sessions, but whether you buy the ever-increasing school print package at a later date or not, you still want your kids to look their best for the Yearbook.

So many things can go wrong on school picture day so here are some quick tips for prepping your kids:

- Keep it comfortable! Yes, it is that simple. Kids are more likely to smile if they are both in comfortable clothes as well as clothes like...within reason of course, but I touch on that next.
- Pick outfits that have tasteful embellishments rather than brand names, characters etc..If you know the background choose a color that compliments it. For example, if it is the traditional blue background, a yellow, white, cream, light orange, etc.. would look good.
- Adding earrings, a necklace, bracelet etc...is a great way to add a little interest. Of course, you don't want to go overboard, simple is best.
- Go with a simple hairstyle with just a little bit of gel and hairspray. Most IMPORTANT....DON'T GET YOUR CHILD'S HAIR CUT THE DAY BEFORE!!! Try a week before that way if something goes wrong, there is time to fix it.
- A little makeup is ok for older kids, but if you are just trying to cover a blemish, well there is this no fangled software called Photoshop, lol. Most school portrait companies offer a touch-up service.
- Last but not least, don't try coaching your kids to smile, likely you will end up with the fake cheesy smile. This may be anyway since each kid only gets a couple of minutes with the photographer, but adding pressure doesn't help.

I hope this helps with your kid's portraits, however, if you're looking for a more fun natural session, feel free to take a look at my mini-session options below:)

Join me for one of my Mini-Session Events!

This includes a 15-minute session at one of the below dates, times and locations plus 5 high resolution digital images to download, print and share.

(ONLY \$175 if Booked by 9/15)

(Back to School Theme) Date: Saturday, September 26th
Location: Briones Park, Martinez
Times: 9 Slots Available: 8-11AM

(Enchanted Theme) Date: Saturday, October 17th
Location: Roberts Regional Park, Oakland
Times: 9 Slots Available: 8-11AM

(Fall Foliage) Date: Saturday, October 24th & ~~November 14th~~ (Full)
Location: Heather Farms, Walnut Creek
Times: 9 Slots Available: 8-11AM

(Winter Wonderland) Date: Saturday, November 28th
Location: Borges Ranch, Walnut Creek
Times: 9 Slots Available: 8-11AM

Social Distancing and Sanitizer will be used during and between each session!