

SESSION TIPS FOR *Children*

- 1) Parents, **please remove any old nail polish**, which can look sloppy or be distracting.
- 2) **Wipe your child's face and hands before the session.** Maybe they were clean when they left the house, but we all know that probably didn't last during the car ride over.
- 3) These pictures last a lifetime, so buy a fun, new, adorable outfit. **Even if they outgrow it in a month, you'll have the picture of it forever.**
- 4) **Consider accessories for both girls AND boys.** Hats, jackets, and scarves can add character and make an image pop.
- 5) **Don't forget about the shoes!** It's terrible when a kid looks super sharp, hat and blazer, rocking the sunglasses... and is wearing holey, purple shoes with red laces that are filthy. **You are killing me.**
- 6) **Keep in mind: your kids are going to HATE this experience.** This is not a joyride for them. This is out of their regularly scheduled programs. This does not make you a bad parent, or them bad children. Talk to them in advance about what they can expect that day, and encourage them to practice in front of a mirror. You might be training America's Next Top Model, you never know!
- 7) **Bribery is your friend.** Reward your kids for good behavior during the shoot, and let them know when they've done a good job. Even if you don't normally give your children candy, you may want to cut them some slack. You are paying for these photos, let's make sure we give all the other mothers good reason to be jealous.
- 8) Bring snacks, or the aforementioned candy, but **choose easy to chew items that are not very colorful.** It's painful to try and get the food remains from your children's teeth!

