

Senior Portrait FAQ Sheet

Congratulations on your upcoming senior year of high school! As you near the end of your high school career and soon will be moving on to new and exciting chapters in life, please take time now to attend to having your senior portrait taken. A senior portrait has long been regarded as a milestone image in one's life, showing you at your best at this very important time and will be viewed over and over again in the future.

The yearbook staff is here to help! Here are some commonly asked questions & answers about senior portraits:



When and where do I have a senior portrait taken?

WHEN: The best time to have your senior portrait taken is in the summer between junior and senior years, or during school picture day in September. Every senior's portrait is needed at the start of the school year in order to be included in the yearbook.

WHERE: You have several options to choose from:

- (1) Our official school photographer is **Mark Lawrence Photographers** here in Londonderry (<http://www.marklawrencephotographers.com>) and they provide the majority of the senior portraits for the yearbook. They are aware of the photo requirements for the *LHS Reflections Yearbook* and also offer package specials to seniors who book at the studio by certain dates. Simply call them to set up an appointment.
- (2) You have the option to have your portrait taken at LHS at the start of the school year on September 15 (school picture day) at no charge by our official school photography studio. Several photos of each senior will be taken to ensure that we receive a great yearbook photo. The yearbook photo will be professionally retouched and turned in for you to the yearbook staff.
- (3) Alternatively, portraits are also accepted from any of the following Londonderry-based photographers who work with our yearbook staff:
 - The Grondins Photography (<http://thegrondins.com>);
 - Elaine Wallace Photography (<http://www.elainewallacephotography.com>); or
 - Floki Designs (<http://www.flokidesigns.com>).

→Please note that portraits for the yearbook are only accepted from one of the sources listed above in order to be able to complete production by our publication deadlines.



What should I wear for my senior portrait?

We want you to look your best! Suggested clothing is from formal to casually formal. Avoid clothing with graphics, logos and/or text on the front. All clothing must meet school dress code requirements including no hats, overly immodest clothing, etc. (see below for LHS dress code specifications):

LHS Dress Code Policy

- T-shirts and other clothing and jewelry imprinted with words, pictures or their insignia of alcoholic beverages, tobacco or other drugs, obscenities, violent images, overt-covert sexual reference, gang identification or which advocate prejudice or harassment of religion, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation or disability, are inappropriate in our school and prohibited.
- Lingerie or pajama wear may not be worn as outer garments except for days/activities specifically approved for that purpose.
- Hats, hoods, bandannas or sweatbands are not to be worn in the classroom or house offices, except for headgear worn for religious or medical reasons.
- Leggings, tights, yoga pants and/or form fitting pants are not a suitable replacement for pants and or slacks. If they are worn, they must be covered by another garment that reaches at or below the index finger.
- Clothing shall be sufficient to conceal undergarments at all times.
- Clothing that immodestly exposes the chest, abdomen, midriff, genital area or buttocks, including but not limited to the following, are prohibited: **spaghetti straps, tube tops, backless tops, pants worn below the waist, skirts shorter than fingertip length, see through fabrics.**
- Shoes or other appropriate footwear must be worn at all times. Slippers are not acceptable during school hours.
- Chains, studded bracelets, belts or necklaces, and/or other items of dress which in the judgment of school administration pose a potential danger to persons and/or property, are prohibited.

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What will my portrait look like?

The senior section is a more formal section of the yearbook and has set guidelines so that it is consistent and no one picture stands out. The portrait will be a vertically-oriented, high-quality photo of the student only with a traditional, non-distracting indoor or outdoor background. Composition will be an upper body pose, leaving enough space around the subject to allow for the yearbook staff to feature everyone at their best within the design. All of the approved yearbook photographers will ensure that all images submitted will meet our yearbook standards (proper size, resolution, format, color, composition). **NOTE:** In accordance with school board policy, no props, instruments, pets, athletic equipment, hobby items, or vehicles are allowed in the photograph.



How do I submit my portrait?

No worries! Our photographers will automatically submit your portrait to the yearbook staff.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Our yearbook publishing company has production deadlines that the yearbook staff is required to meet. Everyone's senior portrait is needed early in the school year in order to have adequate time to set up & create the pages in this large section to meet these deadlines. **The portrait due date is Wednesday, September 7** unless you are planning to have one taken on school picture day, so please plan accordingly. Be sure to contact the studio with your proof choice prior to this date otherwise a selection will be made for you.



Can I have a yearbook picture taken for no charge?

Yes, our official school photographer will be happy to take a complimentary 4-pose session for you during regular school picture day on September 15. This will be at no cost to you and they will provide it to the yearbook staff for you.



Is there anything else I need to know about senior portraits?

The following is the school board policy relating to senior portraits:

"All senior portraits shall be of the student only with a traditional indoor or outdoor background. No props, instruments, pets, athletic equipment, hobby items, or vehicles shall be allowed in the photographs. Clothing shall be modest and free of slogans and/or political expressions and such clothing shall be in conformance with the School District's dress code. Photographs of seniors engaged in non-School District sponsored sporting events (only Olympic or NHIAA sanctioned events qualify) may be submitted for inclusion on the community sports page."

The yearbook staff reserves the right to reject any portraits that do not meet above specifications.



What if I have a question not answered here?

More information about the Londonderry High School Reflections Yearbook can be found on our web site at <http://www.londonderry.org/lhs/yearbook> throughout the school year, or stop by to see the yearbook staff in Room 407.



For yearbook information throughout the school year, please visit the Londonderry High School Reflections Yearbook at <http://www.londonderry.org/lhs/yearbook>.

DO NOT DELAY!!!

September is right around the corner.