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Senior Style Guide

What to wear and how to make it yours

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YOUR SESSION, YOUR STYLE

Let's create something that feels like



Your senior year deserves to be celebrated. The best outfits are the ones that help you feel confident, comfortable, and completely yourself. Use this guide as inspiration - not a rulebook.

We will plan looks that work beautifully with your locations, give your gallery variety, and allow you to move naturally. I will help you with outfit choices and guide you through every pose, so there is no pressure to know what to do.

A simple formula for variety

One flowing look + one casual denim look + one short, playful dress

OUTFIT IDEA ONE

Long & Flowing

Beautiful for open fields and timeless locations such as the Cleveland Museum of Art.



OUTFIT IDEA ONE CONTINUED

Long & Flowing

Four complete outfit examples, shown from head to toe.



Why it works

Choose a dress or flowing skirt that flatters your shape, feels comfortable, and is easy to move in. Soft fabrics create beautiful movement - and bonus points if it twirls!

- **LOOK FOR** a defined waist, graceful movement, solid colors, or subtle patterns

OUTFIT IDEA TWO

Casual Denim

An easy, fun look that works almost anywhere.



OUTFIT IDEA TWO CONTINUED

Casual Denim

Four complete outfit examples, shown from head to toe.



Keep it effortless

Pair jeans, denim shorts, or a denim skirt with a cute top that fits well and makes you feel confident. This look can feel polished, relaxed, playful, or a little edgy depending on the pieces you choose.

- **ADD PERSONALITY** with layers, jewelry, stylish shoes, or a favorite accessory

OUTFIT IDEA THREE

Short & Playful

A natural choice for the beach, gardens, fields, or downtown locations.



OUTFIT IDEA THREE CONTINUED

Short & Playful

Four complete outfit examples, shown from head to toe.



Fun, flattering, and easy to move in

Look for a shorter dress that feels comfortable and moves naturally. Soft fabrics, pretty details, and a little movement give this outfit an effortless energy that photographs beautifully.

● **BEST FOR** barefoot beach moments, movement, and lighthearted portraits

Details that bring a look together

● **Make a statement**

Do not be afraid of a bold dress, standout color, dramatic sleeve, or unexpected detail. If it feels like you, bring on the drama.

● **Comfort matters**

Avoid anything that feels restrictive or makes you self-conscious. You should be able to sit, walk, turn, and pose comfortably.

● **Choose what flatters you**

Pick shapes that make you feel beautiful and confident. Try every outfit on ahead of time and move around in it.

● **Bring meaningful items**

Sports gear, an instrument, dance shoes, a varsity jacket, books, or another personal item can make your session more memorable.



Add a bouquet

A purchased bouquet is always beautiful, but a small, casual grouping of flowers from a field can be just as lovely. Flowers add color, texture, and a natural detail to your portraits. Only pick where permitted.

The little things matter



Makeup

Keep makeup simple so you still look like you. There is no need to cover temporary blemishes with heavy makeup - I will take care of those during editing.

Hair & nails

Wear your hair in a way that feels natural and comfortable. Bring a brush and touch-up items. Clean, polished nails photograph best.

Undergarments

Check for visible straps or lines. Neutral or strapless options often work well. Try on each complete outfit before your session.



Shoes

Shoes may disappear in tall grass, but they will show in other portraits. Coordinate them with each look and bring comfortable shoes for walking.

Accessories

Bring jewelry, a hat, belt, jacket, or meaningful detail. A few options give us flexibility without overwhelming the outfit.

Your style checklist

- ☐ Choose three or four complete outfits with different levels of dressiness.
- ☐ Try everything on together, including shoes, jewelry, and undergarments.
- ☐ Photograph your outfits and send them to Melissa if you would like guidance.
- ☐ Steam or press each outfit and place it on a hanger.
- ☐ Pack shoes, accessories, touch-up makeup, a brush, and hairspray.
- ☐ Bring comfortable walking shoes and water.
- ☐ Pack meaningful items, sports gear, or a bouquet if desired.
- ☐ Most importantly: choose outfits that feel like you.

This is your year.

Let's make it special.

Questions about what to wear? I am happy to help you plan.

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