

Senior Picture Information

Dear Parents, Guardians,
& The Senior Class of 2017,

Here is all you need to know about getting your senior portraits taken this year, and how to submit them to the yearbook.

We are providing you with PDF fliers from several of the photography studios that we here at the yearbook office work with throughout the year. We have been working with these studios for several years, and they always provide us with quality portraits for our yearbooks. We recommend their services most highly, **but you do not have to have them taken there.** The studios that are represented are:

A PHOTO ILLUSION	(632-4174) (See PDF)
CREATIVE CAPTURES	(939-7427) (See PDF)
GENERATIONS PORTRAIT STUDIO	(633-5315) (See PDF)

***IF YOU DECIDE TO USE ONE OF THE STUDIOS LISTED ABOVE, PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:**

1. You must make an appointment and have your photos taken at one of these studios no later than **November 30th**. They need time to process the photos and get them to us by the deadline, which is **December 21st**. You should make an appointment with them as soon as possible.
2. If you go to one of these studios, you do not have to hand in a senior picture, as the studio does it for you. If you do not like the photos that were taken of you, and want to submit your own, you must have them to us by **December 21st**. Make sure they meet criteria listed below (number two in the following section).
3. You can go to the above studios **just to get your picture taken for the yearbook, and they will do it for free.** If you choose to then order some of the photos, you will have to pay the sitting fee - but it's up to you if you want to order additional pictures or not.
4. Even if the studios do not have your packages done before **December 21st** they will submit a yearbook picture to us by the deadline. It is one of our top priorities, and they have never missed a deadline in the past.

***IF YOU ARE NOT GOING TO HAVE PHOTOS TAKEN AT THE STUDIOS PREVIOUSLY LISTED, KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN MIND:**

1. It should be a color photo. Some people opt for black and white, and that is okay. Just keep in mind that it will be in amongst all the other color photos. It is your choice.
2. It can be a standard head and shoulder shot, or it can be up to a $\frac{3}{4}$ body shot. Full body shots should not be submitted, as your picture will look tiny next to others in the yearbook. Keep in mind even the $\frac{3}{4}$ body shot looks a bit small. Still, it is ultimately your choice.
3. Choose your background (and props) wisely. Outside shots are nice, and so are pictures with nice props. Just make sure they aren't too busy. You don't want them distracting from your own image as the focal point.
4. Whether you take the picture or a professional or a friend does, make sure to get that photo to us **no later than December 21st**.

*** SUBMITTING THE PHOTOS:**

If you are submitting your own photos, you can do so in one of the two following ways:

1. Drop off your hard copy – or a CD with your picture on it – at Park High School. Go to the front office, tell them why you are there, and they will direct you to my mailbox. We have a quality scanner that will scan your photos quite nicely, and we can easily load your pictures on to our computers as well. You can use a flash drive as well, but you need to keep in mind that I will not always be able to come down right away and take care of everything. In other words, if you drop off something, I can't leave my class to come down and take care of everything immediately. It will get taken care of, but not on the spot. For that reason, I suggest you leave whatever you drop off in an envelope with a phone number in it. We can process what we need to, call you when we are done, and then you can come pick up your photos. If you do not want them back, make note of that as well.

2. You can also email us a copy of your photo. If you used a nice digital camera (and most of the newer phones have very nice cameras as well) just send it to our email address. That address is:

washingtonparkyearbook@gmail.com

Once we receive your photo, we will send you a confirmation email. If you do not receive one, you need to email us again, or call the Park Publications Office at 619-4466.

***SPECIAL NOTE**

For the past several years, we have been including the senior ID photos in our yearbook, just in case someone misses the deadline, or chooses not to get a senior photo taken. We then have a second senior photo section – the ones that were submitted - and these photos are larger than the ID photos. We want to make sure that everyone gets in the book. With that in mind, remember that even if you are going to have a senior picture taken, **your ID photo will be in the yearbook**. I only bring this up because some students like to try to wear rather ridiculous outfits the day they get their senior IDs taken. That's not going to happen this year. Your ID pictures need to be legitimate ID pictures.

If you have any questions about anything, feel free to email me at matthew.landry@rusd.org. You can also call the office. Again, the number is 619-4466. If you need to contact me during the month of August, it is best to email me. I check it quite regularly.

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