



IMPORTANT SENIOR PICTURE INFO

TO:
SENIORS
and PARENTS of the
Class of 2025

Senior year is one of the most memorable years in a person's life and one involving many important decisions. One lasting memory of this year is the senior class portrait. **Now is the time to make arrangements for senior pictures if you have not already done so.** Traditionally, these photos are taken early in senior year, so that by January 1 everyone has chosen proofs and has the pictures back to exchange with friends and put in the yearbook.

For our yearbook, one **color** wallet-size print or digital file (approximately 2" wide x 3" high or larger) is needed **by MARCH 1**. Your photographer should send these to RLHS at no charge, or you can bring the photo in yourself. **OR...** You (or the photographer) also may submit a digital picture on a flash drive, or email it (as an attachment not an inline photo) to jporter@racinelutheran.org or dmenk@racinelutheran.org. **Make sure digital pictures are high-resolution, at least 300 dpi.**

You have many options. You may choose a professional photography studio or a family photographer, whatever you like best. There is a wide range of prices, picture quality, number of poses, changes of outfits, different settings, and other services. The cost will vary greatly for the senior-special packages, so compare, look at the samples on display and online, and ask a lot of questions.

Look at past yearbooks and write down the ideas you like best, otherwise you'll forget what you liked! *Consider:* indoors/outdoors, what to wear, which backgrounds, clear or shadowy or fuzzy focus, different poses, casual with your dog or more formal with a tie? **(No sideways, no horizontal pictures or full body standing head-to-foot shots can be used in the yearbook. No very low-cut, revealing tops for the ladies.)** You might want props like a pet, car, or soccer ball. Beware of wearing clothes too trendy or loud, because this picture may hang on the wall in your home for many years, and some fashions look pretty silly after they go out of style. These are just a few points to consider. The photographer will have lots more tips for you. It is a really good idea to have at least one pose taken in which you are a little more dressed-up; more formal looks are back in, and when seniors are asked to submit photos for applications or announcements, it's good to have a more sophisticated look to submit. It's up to you. Casual is fine, too. Choose a cloudy, overcast day rather than bright sun if you can!

The choices are yours, and the responsibility of having your picture taken is yours, too. If you have questions, please call or text Julie Porter at 262-498-5919 or email jporter@racinelutheran.org **If you are not going to have a senior portrait done, please let us know, and we will make other arrangements or use the school ID picture taken this fall** so that every senior is included in the 2025 yearbook. Thanks for your cooperation.

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Also needed for the 2025 Yearbook... the sooner, the better!

Between NOW and **February 1**, every senior needs to submit **baby, childhood, and casual** pictures for his/her page in the senior section. Don't put it off 'til the last minute!

- You may submit from 3 to 8 pictures (any size – we can resize).
- **We would like at least one baby/toddler picture, at least one childhood picture, and at least one recent candid picture. (The candid could be you with friends, family, pet, in a sport, on vacation, etc.)**
- These pictures will be scanned, and the original photos will be returned to you quickly (usually within a week) and unharmed.
- You may also choose to scan your own pictures and submit the digital JPEG files on a flash drive, or email them to dmenk@racinelutheran.org or jporter@racinelutheran.org or text to Mrs. Porter at 262-498-5919. If you scan your own, set the resolution to 300 dpi. If you send photos by email, **please send them as ATTACHMENTS**. First open your email, click the attachment icon, then select your photo files and send them as attachments. If you email through your phone, choose the largest file size (highest resolution).
- Please do not turn in computer printouts of pictures or photocopies-- they will be blurry when scanned and reprinted. Send the original digital file rather than a print unless it is a very high-quality print.
- Please label your pictures on the back (use permanent marker or pencil, **no ballpoint ink** since it smudges permanently onto your pictures). Turn them in to the school office in an envelope or plastic bag, also labeled with your name.
- You will have an opportunity to make changes before the final pages are sent to the publisher -- ***if*** you turn in your photos on time.



If you have questions about the pictures, we will be glad to help. Contact either Mrs. Menk or Mrs. Porter.

