Style Guide

## **GROUP STYLING:**

Planning outfits for a large group of people can be daunting. Here are some tips and tricks to help make sure your photo session is gorgeous and your outfits mesh well together!

**Choose multiple complimentary colors and stick with them.** What are your family's favorite colors? Multiple colors will add dimension to your photos. Check out your favorite plaid or paisley shirt and see what colors are in there!

**Avoid dressing everyone in patterns.** Too many patterns can be distracting. Try using one or two patterns and mix in solids from your color palette.

**Be comfortable.** Choose clothing that fits properly and is weather appropriate. It will show in your smile if you're uncomfortable in your outfit!

**Wrinkly clothing is never flattering.** Iron or steam your clothing the night before. I am forever grateful when I don't have to photoshop the same wrinkle out of every photo!

When in doubt, ask. I love giving my opinion! If you're having a hard time choosing, show me your options.





## DO'S & DONT'S:

**Do:** Wear layers! Layers add dimension and make solid colors pop. If it's too warm for a jacket or cardigan - try a necklace, belt, headband, etc. Small touches add a lot!

**Do:** Wear well fitting clothes. Baggy clothes can make us look larger than we actually are in photographs. Try a 'French tuck' on flowy tops.

**Do:** Start with one outfit, and work your way out. Trying to tackle them all at once will be overwhelming. Think about the purpose of the shoot - are you celebrating a specific person or people with these photos? Starting with their outfits can help you decide the rest.

**Don't:** Wear neon colors. Neons reflect on the skin in very unflattering ways.

**Don't:** Match. Perfectly matching outfits gives a very dated vibe. Outfits should compliment each other.

**Don't:** Wear colors that blend in the background. Dark to mid greens should be used sparingly if you'll be posing in front of green foliage.