

Preparing for your session:

- Make sure your child is clean and their hair is brushed and/or styled.
- Wipe your child's nose. Boogers can be photoshopped out, but let's save you the cost and me the time and just have clean faces to begin with!
- Arrive with any special clothing, accessories, and props you'd like your child to wear/use. If the photographer is coming to you, please have these items clean and ready for use. If using my clothing, accessories, or props, then just come happy! Special note: if you want photographs taken of yourself, your children, or your family, you can download the color guide to give you some ideas on how you can coordinate the colors of your outfits.
- Avoid graphic tees, large logos, and clothing with cartoon characters on it. Unless you are doing a themed shoot or absolutely have to have a Minnie Mouse T-shirt on your child, please dress nicely.
- Try to prepare your child for photographs. If you can, let them know that they may experience bright lights and possible outfit/set changes, and that they should follow the instruction of the photographer. If you want to go as far as practicing a few poses with them, that would be great, but not necessary.
- If the photographer is coming to your home, clearing out a space near a large window that allows a lot of light in is a good place to start. I don't use strobes for newborn photographs as the flashes tend to startle them. Since I don't use bright artificial lights, I need as much natural daylight as possible.
- Map out directions to the location the night before your shoot. If you're late, that time comes out of your session time. Less time equals the possibility of less useable images which could mean less final images you get. Unless under special circumstances at the photographer's discretion, we will not extend your session time if there are appointments after yours.
- Make sure you book at a time when your child is usually rested, fed, and happy. There is only so much I can do to encourage cooperation and happiness during the shoot. If they are unhappy, it will show in the images.