SG PRIZE DAY 2020:
PORTRAIT PHOTGRAPHY 101

**SUBMIT YOUR PHOTOS AND A PRIZE DAY MESSAGE TO YOUR CLASSMATES AT: WOOBOX.COM/HJJ2JN

HELLO SIXTH-FORMERS! The Communications Department is working to create your Virtual Prize Day Experience and we need you to create and submit the portrait we will use when your name is announced during the ceremony.

FOLLOW THESE TIPS TO HELP US GET A GREAT PORTRAIT:

DRESS CODE: Look sharp, look professional & look proud. No hats, no hoodies.

• **Girls:** Some girls may have bought white dresses already - please wear them if you want! Some you may not have... don't worry or rush to order something. Wear another outfit appropriate for graduation.

• **Boys:** If you left your blue blazer in your dorm room - don't worry! Wear another jacket or skip it all together. Please wear a shirt and tie.

LOCATION: Please take your portrait in an outdoor location. This will insure some uniformity to the portraits as well as decent lighting.
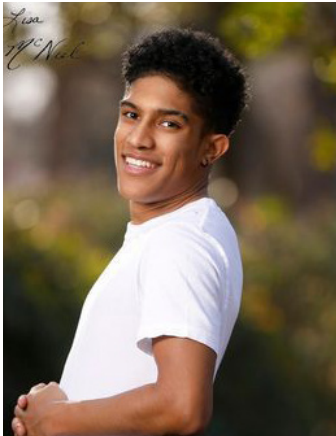
LIGHTING TIPS:

• Search out even lighting. This means you are NOT backlit and NOT staring into the sun.

• You may want to take portrait in a shaded area or take your photo at "golden hour." Golden hour is the 1-2 hour gap right after sunrise or right before sunset that provides great portrait lighting. Find the time frame for your location online at: *www.golden-hour.com*

• Alternately choose a cloudy day which creates soft, flattering light for outdoor portraits.

COMPOSITION: Photos should be traditional portrait or headshot compositions... meaning above the waist and vertically oriented. You can take a photograph from farther away but we will be cropping it. Please LEAVE SPACE at the top and sides of your portrait so we have cropping options. Do not crop your photo. *Let us do all color correction and cropping.* And again, leave some space at the top of your head and on both sides for cropping - do not come in too close! Also: make sure you are looking at/smiling at the camera.

EXAMPLES: Please check out the next 2 pages for examples of outdoor portraits and how we will be cropping the photos. *Have fun and thank you!*
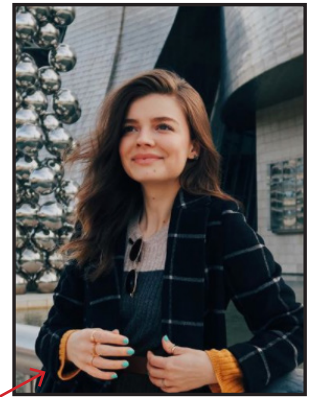
OUTDOOR PORTRAIT EXAMPLES *(Yours will be in dress code!)*

HOW WE WILL CROP YOUR PHOTO

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