

#### a fresh shave is a must

A clean shave is a must if that is the look you want. A 5 o'clock shadow can't be retouched! We suggest shaving just a few hours before your session. This allows time for any redness to go away but will keep you looking good.

### groom your brows

Groom your eyebrows if you don't want the unibrow look in your photos. It does show! Don't know how? Ask your mom, sister, or girlfriend - they will never complain about taking a tweezer to any man's face. Don't trust them? Go to a barber! Grooming your brows a week prior to your session allows any swelling or redness to remedy itself well before your session.

#### a week old haircut

We suggest a fresh haircut 5 to 7 days before your session! This gives you a good cleaned up look, but gives you a little time to get used to styling your fresh cut. Not comfortable trimming your brow hairs? This would be a good time to do that, too!

#### limit time in the sun

Don't tan in the natural sun or tanning beds for an entire two weeks prior to your session. A healthy glow is great, but don't over do it! Also, watch the farmers tan... wearing various sleeve lengths the weeks before your session can help reduce any obvious tan lines.

## clean up those nails

Your hands (and toes) will show in your photos, so make sure your fingernails and toenails are trimmed and clean.

# hydrate those lips, hands, and elbows

For the entire week before your session, use your toothbrush to brush your lips vigorously after you brush your teeth. Then apply a good layer of chapstick to your lips and go to sleep. This will make your lips smooth and hydrated. We all know your mom's favorite part of a photo is your smile, so let's make it the best it can be! Lather up on lotion! Hydrate those hands and elbows. Because let's face it, being ashy isn't a cute look.