

TOP TEN TIPS

CELL PHONE PHOTOGRAPHY

- 1.** Clean the lens!
- 2.** Watch your lighting. Outside and indirect light is best.
- 3.** The brightest light should be behind you, the photographer, but avoid making your subjects squint into the sun.
- 4.** Do NOT use a flash.
- 5.** Do NOT zoom in. Just get closer. (Mask up!)
- 6.** Do NOT use filters or effects. Portrait mode is ok, but just for portraits.
- 7.** Speaking of portraits, take several of each person. Have them talk, laugh and face slightly left and slightly right.
- 8.** Try different angles and don't always place your subject in the center. Learn about the [rule of thirds and basic photo composition](#).
- 9.** Avoid posed photos. Catch action, reaction and emotion.
- 10.** Pay attention to distracting things in the background, move around to avoid them or wait for people to pass.