

[Baby Modeling: Is it a Good Career Choice?](#)

Baby modeling is often turned to by parents who are told that they have "cute, little darlings." Parents naturally think that if so-and-so thinks that my baby is so darling, that the whole world will think the same. Hopefully, however, said parents will give deep thought to the pitfalls and dangers that can plague such a pursuit. Baby modeling and, later, teenage and adult modeling can be filled with many trials and tribulations that can tax the sanity of even the most stable family.

If, after all the warnings about baby modeling, you are set on taking this path, then the first place to start is to get a bunch of your baby's pictures, which I know you have, in all your scrapbooks and photo albums, and head to the nearest free contests, either in person or online. Entering these free contests will get your baby noticed by all the right pairs of eyes. Some would say it would be easier just to submit to modeling agencies directly, but I say it is much more fun, exciting and rewarding to enter these free contests online, especially if your cute little dumpling wins!

Also, there is the opportunity to place your beautiful baby in traditional beauty pageants that are held throughout the year. This is also a great opportunity for you baby to get noticed, as most pageants' sponsors are the very people who you want your child to be noticed by.

The good thing about online photography contest entries, is that once you have entered your baby's pictures for any of these contests, they remain there for outside influences to find, such as modeling agencies and those with connections. If your baby wins the contest, even better. It could lead to more contests, and more exposure.

If you go the route of entering your baby into contests, whether photo contests or actual pageants, there is no greater opportunity to enter, for the greatest exposure, than the cutest baby contest. The name says it all. What parent doesn't think their child is the shoo-in for winning a contest of this type? But you know that yours is the cutest, so why not prove it to the world, and especially to all these modeling agency executives, by entering these contests and taking the prize?

All this aside, I want you to pay close attention to the following. Oftentimes, parents are caught up in the starstruck lifestyle, wanting to live it by proxy through their baby. But, please, consider what you are getting you and your baby into before you leap willy-nilly into the fray. One thing to look at is how is your baby's general disposition in life? I mean, do you have a baby who is happy most of the time, smiling and laughing at everything? This would be a good thing, because modeling agency bigwigs do not hire grumpy babies who are hard to get along with others. Bad for business.

The other place to look at, and one that most parents don't even bother with, is themselves. The parents. Are they even up to the challenge of being a baby model parent? This in and of itself is a very challenging career, more than full time. But if you are overbearing and hard to work with, the deal is off. There will be no following the yellow brick road for this Dorothy. No modeling agency will ever hire a baby whose parents are not fun to be around and make things difficult for everyone.

Other than the above considerations, which should be warning enough, is to watch out for snake oil salesmen, those agencies who promise you and your baby the world on a silver platter...as long as you pay them up front. Bad idea. Reputable agencies get paid to get modeling jobs for your child. Not to consider thinking about maybe getting your baby modeling jobs, but maybe you should find the auditions yourself. These snake oil salesmen are out there unfortunately, so be warned and be on the lookout. Above all, care for your baby and enjoy the adventure, however long it lasts.

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