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**“VIP’s” (VAM in Performance)
YOUTH PERFORMANCE GROUP
2019/20 SCHOOL YEAR**

REHEARSAL TIMES:

Every Saturday 3:30pm - 4:30pm

IMPORTANT DATES - FALL 2019:

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| September 3 | - First day of Fall Semester |
| September 14 | - 3:00pm Mandatory Orientation Meeting |
| September 20 | - Fremont Parking Space Party |
| September 21 | - 1st VIP rehearsal |
| Sept. 2019 - Jan. 2020 | - Community performances TBD |
| October 4 | - 1st Friday Artist Event in Fremont |
| November 23 | - Full Run-Through – VAM Winter Show at VAM Studios |
| November 30 | - Regular Classes and Rehearsals |
| December 6 | - MANDATORY Dress Rehearsal – at VAM Studios
7:15pm-10:15pm |
| December 7 | - SHOW DAY! Dress & Tech Rehearsal
at BPH* |
| December 8 | - SHOW DAY! VAM Winter Show at BPH* |
| Dec. 22 - Jan. 3 | - Winter Break |
| Jan. 12 | - Norse Home (Ballard) Performance |
| January 26, 2020 | - Last day of Fall Semester |

**Broadway Performance Hall - 1625 Broadway, Seattle*

IMPORTANT DATES - SPRING 2020:

March	- Pointe Project: Dance Video
May 23, 24, 25	- Folklife Festival - Busking
June TBD	- VAM Studios' Spring Show at BPH*
June 20	- Solstice Parade & Busking

ABOUT THE GROUP

VAM Studios', "VAM in Performance" (VIP's) is a youth performance group where passionate students can take their dancing to a higher level. The VIP experience provides a pre-professional training environment where dancers have the opportunity to perform in public and community events throughout the year. Participants will learn choreography, teamwork, commitment to excellence, and the discipline to accomplish challenging goals. The rewards of their hard work and dedication will be shared with the community through their performances and outreach events with the goal of spreading joy and inspiring others.

COMMITMENT

Students must commit to the full year, September 2019 thru June 2020. Dancers must commit to participating in all rehearsals and all performances.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Students must be currently enrolled in a *minimum* of 4 hours of class per week
- Must take a minimum of 2 dance styles
- **Not miss more than 2 Saturday Performance Rehearsal Classes**
- **Not miss more than 4 of your regular classes during the semester**
- Attend all mandatory rehearsal and performance dates

Technique Classes:

It is necessary for students to study proper technique to ensure their healthy growth and development. Students are required to study at least 2 different dance styles and attend a minimum of 4 hours of technique classes a week to participate in the VIP's. (For example: 2 hours of ballet and 2 hours of tap technique per week.) We offer a variety of classes which fulfill this requirement. Teachers will work with you at the beginning of the school year to determine which classes are right for you.

IT'S A TEAM!

It is important that each dancer and family understand that the VIP's function as a team. Choreography is set around the students within their levels. When students are not present, it affects the entire team. Consistent attendance and proper attitudes are essential to participate in this group. If more than 3 rehearsals per semester are missed,

a student will be removed from the material they missed and may be dismissed from the group.

COMMUNICATION

Please read all materials sent home with students, and all emails. Be aware of dates, performances, call times, and costumes needed. You will receive a schedule at the start of each session with performances, rehearsals, and details. The week before an event, all pertinent information will be sent home. Please do not send emails requesting early details. They will be sent as soon as they become available.

ATTIRE

VAM Performance Group sets a high standard for the school. Make sure to wear proper dance attire to your classes. Please take care of costumes and dancewear as they will be used all year.

VIP's FEES

The VAM Performance Group registration fee is \$550 for the full school year. (Includes performance group jacket).

SIGNATURES

By signing below, I understand and agree to all that is required of me in order to be in the VAM Performance Group. I understand that if I do not maintain my commitment, I may not be allowed to continue in the VAM Performance Group.

Parent: _____ Date: _____

Student: _____ Date: _____