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Hello All Stars!

Our next All Star Team performance will during the halftime of the Wednesday, March 11th Detroit Piston's game at The Palace of Auburn Hills. The game is scheduled to begin 7:30 pm vs. the New York Knicks.

In order to participate in the performance, you must learn the routines from your instructional DVD and attend the **full rehearsal on Saturday, March 7th from 1:00-4:00 pm at Mid American Studio**. All team members will be performing TWO routines – "Good To Be Us" (Thanksgiving opening show), as well as the "Beat It" Kickline. These routines are on your choreography DVD and CD that you have received by now, either at Dance Competition or by mail. Formations and groups will be rehearsed at the mandatory rehearsal. If you have any questions regarding the routines, please e-mail Danielle at Danielle@pompon.com

All Stars will be wearing the same costume as they did in the Thanksgiving Parade and using the poms that they purchased. All Stars will need to wear a black leotard turtleneck, black dance pants, black socks and black shoes. When you come to the game, come dressed to perform, as we will not have a dressing room. Dance pants, turtleneck bodysuits, and black shoes are available to purchase from Mid American Pompon, either on our website (www.pompon.com) or in the Spirit Shoppe located in Farmington Hills. Please plan on purchasing these items 2-3 weeks in advance if needed to ensure that your size is available.

Formations and groups will be rehearsed at the rehearsal. All Stars arriving with less than perfect knowledge of the routines **will not perform at the game**. Please bring along your poms and lunch/snack to the rehearsal.

Reservations are due online by Friday, February 20th at 12:00 noon. NO late registrations will be accepted. **At this time, we have reserved 800 seats at the game. Tickets for performers and guests are on a first-come, first serve basis. Please plan accordingly to send in your reservation early to avoid the possibility of not being able to perform. I will update the team when there are 100 tickets left.**

The price for participation in the Piston's Halftime show is \$55.00. This includes the cost of rehearsal space and staffing, as well as your ticket to the Piston's game. Please note that this does not include any meals.

Family and friends who would like to attend the game may purchase discount tickets through Mid American Pompon for \$32 (Face Value = \$40). NOTE – All Stars WILL be seated with their spectator tickets. **All tickets will be handed out at the rehearsal.**

Here is what you need to wear to the game:

- All Star Top with black leotard underneath
- Black jazz pants
- Black socks and shoes
- Hair must be worn in a ponytail – no scrunchies, bows, etc.
- Wear dark pink or red lipstick, stage make up
- Poms

Other performance information – Please arrive at The Palace by the start of the game (7:30 pm). **Plan on traffic backups!** At the practice we will discuss exactly where to meet after the 1st quarter of the game. Feel free to watch the game during the first quarter. Following the performance, you are free to return to your seats or leave at that time.

In order to perform at the Piston's Halftime Performance, follow the attached directions to register online by **Friday, February 20th at noon.** You do not have to send in any signed forms for this performance. However, by registering online, you agree to the following:

PERMISSION SLIP

I hereby give permission for my daughter to participate in the Detroit Piston's Halftime show on Wednesday, March 11th, 2009. *****Due to the nature of this performance, and the fact that tickets are reserved in my name, I understand that after I have submitted this reservation, NO refunds will be given for the All Star or their guest's tickets.*** I agree to have the likeness of my daughter used on videotape for promotional purposes.

After the February 20th deadline, those who would like to purchase additional spectator tickets will have to do so directly through The Palace Box Office. You will not be seated with your original order of tickets and will need to pay full price.

Thank you for your continued dedication to the All Star Team. We look forward to another great All Star Team performance! If you should have any questions, please contact me at Danielle@pompon.com or 248-477-5248.

Staff Applicants

We are looking forward to receiving staff applications from many of you in the near future – remember that the deadline for staff applications is March 2nd, 2009. You may want to get started filling out the application now and request a copy of your transcript from your school to include with your application. Tryouts will be held Sunday, March 29th at Mid American Studio. Many of you are wonderful candidates for our staff, as most of our current staff members were members of our All Star Team! If you have any questions about staff, please e-mail Danielle@pompon.com. There will be one overnight camp in June, and three in July in 2009!

PLEASE - - - Read and follow the attached directions!
Thank you in advance.

2009 PISTON'S HALFTIME PERFORMANCE RESERVATION AND TICKET ORDERING DIRECTIONS

- Follow directions as noted below and complete the checklist at the bottom to ensure that you have followed the directions completely.
- Complete ALL purchases by Friday, February 20th, 2009 at noon

Anyone registering for the performance **OR** purchasing spectator tickets will:

1. Going to www.pompon.com
2. Click on the link in the center of the page that says "MAPP All Stars register **here** for Piston's Performance" in a GREEN shaded box.
3. You will be directed to the to the Mind Body Online page where you will login on the top right hand side of the page in a grey shaded area with your username and password that you created when you created your profile. If you do not remember this information, you can click on 'Forgot your login?' and you will be asked your security question. **DO NOT create a new profile if you can not remember your password. Contact Danielle@pompon.com if you can not figure it out.**
4. Once you log in, click on the MAPP ALL STAR tab to the far right side of the screen.

TO REGISTER FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PISTON'S HALFTIME PERFORMANCE

1. Select "MAPP All Star Piston's Performance" and click on 'SIGN UP NOW!'
2. Click on ENROLL. This will take you to a Services screen – click on MAKE PURCHASE.
3. This will take you to your shopping cart, which will show your selection.
4. If you are done shopping, and will not be purchasing any additional tickets, go to CHECKOUT directions below, otherwise go back to the MAPP ALL STAR tab at the top and continue.

TO PURCHASE SPECTATOR TICKETS

1. Select 'Spectator Ticket' and click on 'SIGN UP NOW!'.
2. Click on ENROLL. This will take you to a Services screen. Click on MAKE PURCHASE.
3. This will take you to your shopping cart, which will show your selection (s). At this time, change the quantity to reflect the number of spectator tickets you would like to purchase.
4. If you are done shopping, and will not be purchasing anything else go to CHECKOUT directions below, otherwise go back to the MAPP ALL STAR tab at the top and continue making selections.

CHECKOUT DIRECTIONS

1. Look at your shopping cart to be sure that everything is there that you would like to purchase, and that the quantities are correct.
2. Click on 'CHECK OUT'
3. Enter all credit card information and click on 'Place Order'. This will complete your order.
4. An email will be sent to the address associated with your profile to confirm your order within a few days. If you do not receive an email, please log in and look at the 'PURCHASES' tab of your profile to be sure that you completed all of the steps.

COMPLETE THE CHECKLIST TO ENSURE YOU HAVE COMPLETED ALL STEPS!

- I have selected everything that I would like to purchase in my shopping cart and made sure quantities of tickets are correct.
- I have typed in my credit card information AND hit 'Place Order'
- I have received a confirmation email that shows my purchase
- I have completed EVERYTHING by noon on February 20th, 2009