

# SCAMS

## *What to Look For!*

**ACTING**  
FOR KIDS & TEENS

### WE WILL MAKE YOU A STAR!

Flashy catch phrases like "We will make you a STAR!" are a warning. Companies who claim they can make you a star have paid BIG money to get your attention. WHY? So YOU can pay THEM a lot of money! Remember if it seems too good to be true....It probably is!

### HIDDEN INVESTMENTS!

You will hear; Audition for FREE...next is usually "The Callback" the BIG pitch...YOU have a great look & natural talent. WE can get you big auditions with companies like Disney, Nickelodeon, etc. The pressure is on, your family is excited, then they hit you with the cost of fame...YOU just need to pay \$1, \$2, \$3 - \$5K! for our program, classes & photos. EEK.. There is no fast way to success. You DO NOT need to pay large upfront costs to be an actor.

### ONCE IN A LIFETIME OPPORTUNITY!

If that doesn't sound like a SCAM, I am not sure what does. Life is FULL of opportunities. Look for the GREAT ones, not the ONLY ones. Prepare and train to be ready when it's your turn to shine!

### TRUST YOUR INSTINCTS!

You might not know the ins & outs of the entertainment industry - but you do know your child. Trust your instincts. It is important to ask questions, research the project, company, producers. Most important if it doesn't feel right, MOVE ON!

### DO YOUR RESEARCH

Check your facts. Call local agents, acting teacher - get advice. Search for the agency's name, producers/director name. Websites like IMDb.com, Better Business Bureau, local film industry associations will have information for medium to large projects/producers. If working with a student film or newer companies ask for references and call them.

**Truly professional projects are upfront and transparent - they want to pay YOU for the work, not the other way around. No one should pay big \$\$\$ to buy fame!**