

BRAINERD **JUST FOR KIX** DANCE NEWS



We can't believe we are already writing the last newsletter of the year! It's been so much fun up to this point and we are looking forward to ending the year with a BANG!

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

- 3/2 & 3/3** Bloomington TWD All Competition Classes 2nd-12th
- 3/11-3/15** SPRING BREAK: NO CLASS
- 3/27** Teeny Kix Special Session #4: SPRING Starts - Sweetie Pies & Itty Bitty
- 3/28** Thur Tiny & Firecrackers Tumbling Special Session #4: SPRING Begins
- 3/29** GOOD FRIDAY: NO CLASS

APRIL

- 4/1** NO SCHOOL : PRODUCTION/FINALE REHEARSAL
- 4/1** Teeny Kix Special Session #4: SPRING Starts - Sugar Bears
- 4/1** Mon Tiny Tumbling Special Session #4: SPRING Begins
- 4/5** The Crew Special Session #4: SPRING Starts
- 4/10** Pre-1st SPRING Partner Session Starts
- 4/13** Eden Prairie TWD
- 4/14** SPRING SHOW PRESALE TICKETS: FOR PURCHASE ONLINE ONLY
- 4/15** 2-6th SPRING Father/Dancer Session Starts
- 4/20** NATIONALS SEND OFF PARTY & PRODUCTION/FINALE REHEARSAL
- 4/21** 6-12TH SPRING FATHER/DANCER SESSION STARTS (SUNDAY)
- 4/25-4/28** Nationals

MAY

- 5/3** SOLO SHOW (MAY BE MORNING OF 5/4 IF SPRING SPORTS MOVE INSIDE)
- 5/4** JFK SPRING SHOWS
- 5/6** May Technique Begins 2nd-12th grade
- 5/28** 2nd-12th Grade Bootcamp
- 5/29** 2nd-5th Grade Bootcamp/Audition Day

JUNE

- 6/3** 6th-12th Grade Bootcamp/Audition Day

STAY INFORMED

BAND APP

BAND is our PRIMARY SOURCE of communication. Please take the time to register for our BAND app. This is so important! Band is where you will find quick reminders, info on weather cancellations and ALL the important things you need to know! Use the link or SCAN the QR code!



WEBSITE

justforkix.com/danceclasses/brainerd-mn/
This Brainerd JFK website page is where you can find all your need to know info about performance details, the current newsletter, competition info and much more!

BRAINERD JFK FACEBOOK

<https://www.facebook.com/brainerdjfk>

BRAINERD JFK INSTAGRAM

@brainerdjfk

E-MAIL

We will send out e-mails throughout the season with reminders and general information as needed. Please make sure we have your most current e-mail address on file in your dancer's account. If you have a spam blocker, e-mails from Just For Kix may be bounced back. If you aren't receiving our emails, check your promotions, junk mail or spam folders as they sometimes go there!

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PRESCHOOL-1ST GRADE NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

3/11-3/15 SPRING BREAK: NO CLASS

3/27 Teeny Kix Special Session #4: SPRING Starts - Sweetie Pies & Itty Bitty

3/28 Thur Tiny & Firecrackers Tumbling Special Session #4: SPRING Begins

3/29 GOOD FRIDAY: NO CLASS

APRIL

4/1 NO SCHOOL: Normal Class held

4/1 Teeny Kix Special Session #4: SPRING Starts - Sugar Bears

4/1 Mon Tiny Tumbling Special Session #4: SPRING Begins

4/5 The Crew Pre-1st Hip Hop Special Session #4: SPRING Starts

4/10 Pre-1st SPRING Father/Dancer Session Starts

MAY

5/3 SOLO SHOW (MAY BE MORNING OF 5/4 IF SPRING SPORTS MOVE INSIDE)

5/4 JFK SPRING SHOWS

5/6 May Technique Begins 2nd-12th grade

5/28 2nd-12th Grade Bootcamp

5/29 2nd-5th Grade Bootcamp/Audition Day

Tip:

When someone asks you to do something... act like a bunny and HOP TO IT.

QUOTE:

Thanks to dance, I've started saying "I will be able to do that, just give me some time to practice."



FATHER/DANCER SPECIAL SESSION

Pre-1st GRADE
WEDNESDAYS 7:00-7:30pm
Starts April 10th - 3 Sessions



THE CREW HIP HOP

4YO-1st GRADE
FRIDAYS 5:30-6:10pm
Starts April 5th - 4 Sessions



SPRING TUMBLING/ACRO

TINY (3-5 YO) Monday 5:15-5:45pm & 5:45-6:15pm
FIRECRACKER (K-1ST) Thursday 6:45-7:15pm



Rosie...

can be reluctant and shy, most of the time. Her first day of class was a little scary. Trying new things isn't always easy, but her coach and all of the other dancers in her class were so welcoming. Now she loves going to dance class each week!



OPENER & FINALE REHEARSALS

TUESDAY APRIL 9th (STUDIO)

FINALE (ALL 2nd-12th Grade Dancers) 6:45-8:00 PM

SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH (BHS)

OPENER 9:30-10:45 AM (Starlites, Rising, Dream Team and Elite)

FINALE (ALL 2nd-12th Graders) 10:45-11:30 AM

SPRING SHOW SHIRT

Collect our 2024 Spring Show Shirt!! **This shirt is REQUIRED for ALL 2nd-12th graders participating in the Finale.** This can be purchased in your Kick Class account under uniforms.



NATIONALS SEND OFF PARTY

SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH 11:30-1:30pm at BHS in the Kixer Gym for ALL 2nd-12th Grade dancers. Pizza Party to follow!



BOOT CAMP & AUDITIONS

Boot Camp and Auditions will be held May 28th, 29th & June 3rd. This is for 2nd-12th grade dancers who wish to tryout for a placement team for the 24-25 dance season. **See Audition Packet for details:**

https://www.justforkix.com/danceclasses/public/upload/provider/forms/Audition_Packet_2024_2025_BRD.docx.pdf - COPY AND PASTE THIS LINK TO VIEW INFORMATION!





TOGETHER WE DANCE

Competitions



WHAT IS TWD?

TWD Stands for Together We Dance, these are Just For Kix Competitions in which we enter our teams in. Dancers in 2nd-12th grade will attend these events. We typically participate in 3 events per year and most involve driving. There is an extra expense of a competition fee. If your dancer is unable to attend any competition, notice should be given to the teacher well in advance for routine numbering purposes and so we can remove the event fee from your account.

BLOOMINGTON TWD - MAR 2nd & 3rd

The Squad Hip Hop **SAT**
Sparklers Kick/Jazz/Lyrical **SAT**
Starlites Kick/Jazz/Lyrical **SAT**
Shooting Stars Kick/Jazz/Lyrical **SAT**
Rising Stars Kick/Jazz/Lyrical **SAT**

Twinklers Kick/Jazz/Lyrical **SUN**
The Troop Hip Hop **SUN**
Shining Stars Kick/Jazz/Lyrical **SUN**
Starmakers Kick/Jazz/Lyrical **SUN**
Starmakers Hip Hop **SUN**

EDEN PRAIRIE TWD - SATURDAY APRIL 13th

PLACEMENT CLASSES ONLY

Sparklers Kick/Jazz/Lyrical
Starlites Kick/Jazz/Lyrical
The Squad Hip Hop
Shooting Stars Kick/Jazz/Lyrical
Rising Stars Kick/Jazz/Lyrical
Dream Team Jazz/Lyrical
Elite Jazz/Lyrical
Dream Team Hip Hop
Elite Hip Hop
Elite Senior Kix

ROCHESTER NATIONALS - APR. 25-28th

Twinklers Kick/Jazz/Lyrical - **SAT April 27th**
Sparklers Kick/Jazz/Lyrical - **SAT April 27th**
The Troop Hip Hop - **SAT April 27th**
The Squad Hip Hop - **SAT April 27th**
Shining Stars Kick/Jazz/Lyrical - **SAT April 27th**
Starlites Kick/Jazz/Lyrical - **SAT April 27th**
Starmakers Kick/Jazz/Lyrical - **SAT April 27th**
Starmakers Hip Hop - **SAT April 27th**
Shooting Stars Kick/Jazz/Lyrical - **SAT April 27th**
Rising Stars Kick/Jazz/Lyrical - **SAT April 27th**
Dream Team Hip Hop - **SAT April 27th**
Dream Team Jazz/Lyrical - **FRI April 26th**
Elite Jazz/Lyrical - **FRI April 26th**
Elite Senior Kix - **FRI April 26th**
Elite Hip Hop - **THURS April 25th**
Pom Showcase Special Session - **THURS April 25th**

NATIONALS HOTEL BLOCK

We encourage you to make your reservations now as the group rate will not be available after the cutoff date of April 8th, 2024. We highly encourage all of our younger dancers to come and cheer on our older dancers at the showcase events thursday and friday.

COPY AND PASTE LINK BELOW FOR HOTEL INFO:

https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/rooms/?ctyhocn=RSTMAHH&arrivalDate=2024-04-24&departureDate=2024-04-28&groupCode=BJK&room1NumAdults=1&cid=OM%2CWW%2CHILTONLINK%2CEN%2CDirectLink&bm-verify=AAQAAAL___5ZapDN8XhCJU6d0nic6FjZukcZx9xKy3LwStuMuhGwdSQtmD7QSuoH2tuadZBVf5P0wiHU_Nxi5lc7oCoS38FBuxf_RQW7WNLQaR3iM_p1NfihRvcgltLjnL8ztnIGdVXEK3iDwJLHyHY3KEmBfxaniW18fB3hS5FfMgThQQGQqVPA2Hcm9P0pCEYI74_Cjw21ai3M8STaekLXarObyIOPggPD_rSLQ0X7v7RUt45eYX48jV0AkZaNNAKxE30wi8-M3dsUq45PpPvPA5bVE6b-nbB3lqJo_-6uRz1dGSzWXPkuRBK4d7dT36fR84Zzjfy9Cc4VZ3NMsh9ZgP0DjRmTCN81XBoW11snsYybK04BhQLSDS0qzi-8fGm-pYWG33wx7xQ5A_-aVBDT3xRto6zwcS-NVr6fdOkqjzb5xFGpcSCAyghEnZ_HLB2VrONddsEV80GvmYZH1ywf-whl1AZwho2dpzZfWfoQaeD8ff3WJZ10Xtm-aw





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COMPETITION HAIR

2nd-12th grade will wear their hair in a slicked low bun with a middle part. See picture. We want hair **extremely** slicked back using gel and hairspray. No fly aways please. Bun should be at the nape of your neck and secured with bobby pins and hair spray, hair nets are helpful but not necessary .



COMPETITION MAKE UP

Dancers should wear performance make up. This includes foundation, blush, brown eye shadow and red lip stick. We also highly encourage false lashes! You can get these at most stores! :) The reason for wearing make up is so their facial expressions are seen from the judges area!



EVENT SPECIFIC INFORMATION

About two weeks before each event we will send out an event specific information packet. This will be posted in BAND, so please make sure to keep an eye on your group(s). This packet will include arrival times, group meeting area, performance and award times etc.

NO JEWELRY

Dancers will need to take off all jewelry! This includes earrings, necklaces, bracelets and any face jewelry as well.

WHAT TO WEAR

Dancers should bring all costumes pieces needed. Make sure your tights are free from any tears, you have both shoes, and all hair pieces. LABEL YOUR ITEMS PLEASE!

Please make sure your undergarments cannot be seen with your costume, and that the color is nude or neutral so they cannot be seen through the costume!

HIP HOP CLASSES:

Reminder, if you are in a hip hop class, you **MUST** wear a black leotard underneath your costumes to prevent any bare skin from showing while performing!

ENTRY FEES

2024 Entry fees will be billed into your account prior to the competition. **ALL FEES MUST BE PAID FOR, 1 WEEK PRIOR TO THE EVENT FOR DANCERS TO PARTICIPATE.**

There will be **NO SPECTATOR ADMISSION** at any of the TWD Competitions

Per Dancer Fees:

\$42.00 for 1st Routine
\$20.00 for 2nd Routine
\$11.00 for 3rd Routine
\$10.00 for Each Additional Routine

Entry Fees for Rochester Nationals:

\$47.00 for 1st Routine
\$21.00 for 2nd Routine
\$12.00 for 3rd Routine
\$11.00 for Each Additional Routine



TUITION

There are three easy ways to make your payments:

1. Online Payment System at justforkix.com/danceclasses
This is the fastest, easiest way to make payments and manage your dancer's account.

2. Call Payments into the Home Office. 218-829-7107
Mon. - Fri. 10:00AM-3:00PM
We can take credit or debit card payments over the phone.

3. Mail Payment to the Home Office.
Just For Kix
PO Box 724
Brainerd, MN 56401

***Monthly payments are due by the 1st of each month.

- There will be a \$10.00 fee assessed to late payments.
- Any NSF or stopped payment checks made payable to Just For Kix will be charged a \$20.00 service fee per check.
- Student accounts are always required to be current prior to any performance. Any student with a balance due will not be eligible to perform with their team.

CANCELLATIONS - WINTER WEATHER

In the event that Just For Kix must cancel classes, we will make the announcement in several locations:

- BAND APP
- Brainerd JFK Facebook & Instagram Pages
- Brainerd Just For Kix Website

NEED TO KNOW

CLASS ATTIRE

Please follow the dress code that is on our Brainerd JFK page under NEWS & EVENTS. We like dancers to be in clothing that allows a wide range of movement. No jewelry, gum etc. Hair must be pulled back into a bun. Early Is On Time - On Time Is Late. Just For Kix Teams start on time! Put forth your best effort to come prepared and ready to dance! Every dancer is needed from COUNT ONE to make a true practice, or performance, effective and organized.

ATTENDANCE

Please make practices and performances a priority - your team depends on you! If you are absent, meet with a friend to learn the material before the next class.

MESSES, THEFT, VANDALISM

We hope that you and your family find our studio to be a warm environment to hang out in. Thank you for treating it as you would a treasured possession. Please treat the space as if it was your own with care and consideration. We are often judged by the actions of a few, therefore, JFK has a no tolerance policy for disrespecting others or their belongings. We recommend leaving valuables at home.

PARKING

Please use the north parking lot to park and wait for your dancers. The front spots are for Instructors and handicap. Please do not park along the front of the building. Drop off only!

SUPERVISION

Dancers are supervised during their scheduled class time. Staff often have several classes the same day, during the time prior to and after class, you will need to watch your children.

We want them safe.

JUST FOR KIX RELIAQUEST BOWL PERFORMANCE TOUR



Consider joining us at the Reliaquest Bowl Performance Tour Dec-Jan 2024-2025! The perfect balance of performance and fun with the opportunity to meet dancers from all over the country and work together to put on a great show. Jump in on this once in a lifetime opportunity to make some great memories! For more information, email Dani at dani@justforkix.com.

- ★ Disney World or Universal Studios
- ★ Busch Gardens
- ★ Clearwater Beach
- ★ Dinner Yacht Cruise
- ★ New Year's Eve Party
- ★ Pre-Game & Halftime Performances

MARCH 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 CLASS PAYMENTS DUE	2 BLOOMINGTON TWD
3 BLOOMINGTON TWD	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
SPRING BREAK NO CLASSES						
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 SWEETIE PIES, ITTY BITTY & CUPCAKE CUTIE SPRING SESSION BEGINS	28 TINY & FIRECRACKERS TUMBLING SPRING SESSION BEGINS	29 GOOD FRIDAY NO CLASS	30
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APRIL 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	CLASS PAYMENTS DUE 1 SUGAR BEARS SPRING SESSION BEGINS TINY TUMBLING SPRING SESSION BEGINS	2 ADAPTIVE SPRING SESSION BEGINS	3	4	5 THE CREW SPRING HIP HOP CLASS BEGINS	6
7	8	9 REHEARSAL 2ND-12TH GRADE STUDIO	10 PRE-1ST GRADE FATHER/DANCER BEGINS	11	12	13 EDEN PRAIRIE TWD
14 SPRING SHOW TICKETS ON SALE ONLINE ONLY	15 2ND-6TH GRADE PARENT/CHILD SESSION BEGINS	16	17	18	19	20 REHEARSAL 2ND-12TH GRADE BHS NATIONALS SEND OFF PARTY 11:30-1:30
21 6TH-12TH GRADE PARENT/CHILD BEGINS	22	23	24 NO REGULAR CLASSES	25 NO REGULAR CLASSES	26 NO REGULAR CLASSES	27 TWD NATIONALS ROCHESTER
28 SPRING SHOW TICKETS ON SALE ONLINE ONLY LAST CHANCE TO ORDER	29	30				

MAY 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
LAST WEEK OF REGULAR CLASSES						4 SPRING SHOWS 12:00PM 3:00PM
5	6 MAY TECHNIQUE CLASS BEGINS	7 MAY ACRO BEGINS	8 MAY TECHNIQUE CLASS BEGINS	9	10 SOLO SHOW 6:30pm (Tentative)	11
12	13 MAY TECHNIQUE CLASS	14 MAY ACRO	15 MAY TECHNIQUE CLASS	16	17	18
19	20 MAY TECHNIQUE CLASS	21 MAY ACRO	22 MAY TECHNIQUE CLASS	23	24	25
26	27	28 BOOT CAMP & AUDITIONS	29 BOOT CAMP & AUDITIONS	30 BOOT CAMP & AUDITIONS	31	

2024 SUMMER AT A GLANCE



IMPORTANT SUMMER DATES

Preschool Camp (Ages 3-5 YO)

May 18th - 9:30-11am
June 22nd - 9:30-11am
July 13th - 9:30-11am

Brainerd High School Camp Dates (7th Grade & Up)

#1 July 7-10th
#2 July 14-17th
#3 July 21-24th

Brainerd Youth Camp (K-9th Grade)

July 18-20th *Sea Cruise Themed

2024-25 Back to Dance BASH!

Tuesday, August 20th 4-6pm

2024-2025 DANCE SEASON CLASSES START

First Week of Dance - September 9-13th

SUMMER CLASS OFFERINGS

Take it to the next level this summer with our summer class offerings!
Are you ready for the challenge?

May Classes

May 6th, 8th, 13th, 15th, 20th, 22nd
from 3:45-5:45pm

Summer Tiny Session 3-5 YO

Monday 10:00-10:30am

Tiny Tumbling 3-5 YO

(2 classes offered)
Monday 9:45-10:15am
Monday 10:15-10:45am

K-1st Firecracker Tumbling

Wednesday 9:45-10:15am

LEVEL UP 2nd-7th Grade Technique

Monday & Wednesday
10:30am-12:00pm

Ballet - Tuesday & Thursday

*REQUIRED FOR 24-35 PLACEMENT CLASSES

Elite - 8:00-9:30 am
Dream Team - 9:30-11:00 am
Advanced 11:00-12:00 pm
Intermediate 12:00-1:00 pm
Beginner 1:00-2:00 pm (THURS Only)

Summer Acro

MAY

(3 Sessions, Tuesdays)
Beg 3:45-4:30 pm, Int - 4:30-5:30pm, Adv- 5:30-6:30, Elite 6:30-7:30pm

JUNE 14TH

8:30-9:30am intermediate walkover
9:30-11:00am advanced/aerial workshop
11:00am-12:30pm elite/advanced flight skills workshop

JUNE 28TH

8:30-9:30am intermediate walkover
9:30-11:00am advanced/aerial workshop
11:00am-12:30pm elite/advanced flight skills workshop

AUGUST 9TH

8:30-9:30am intermediate walkover
9:30-11:00am advanced/aerial workshop
11:00am-12:30pm elite/advanced flight skills workshop

AUGUST 23RD

8:30-9:30am intermediate walkover
9:30-11:00am advanced/aerial workshop
11:00am-12:30pm elite/advanced flight skills workshop