# JUST FOR KIX

DANCE NEWS

Dear Dancers and Parents,

Welcome back veterans and a special welcome to all new dancers and parents. At Just For Kix we pride ourselves on treating your kids as we would like ours to be treated, with respect! I also pride myself on being approachable, so please bring any concerns to my immediate attention. We want your experience to be a GREAT one!



# **NEED TO KNOW**

#### **WINTER SHOW SHIRTS**

Winter Show shirts are now available online! Ordering now allows you to purchase aWinter Show shirt for your dancer before the event - ensuring that you get the size that you would like. Show day t-shirt sales will be available however size choices may be limited. We encourage you to order your show shirt online through your dancer's student account at justforkix.com/danceclasses. However, if you cannot order online, you can call in your order to the home office at 218-829-7107. Please allow an extra two weeks for processing on phone orders.

#### **UNIFORMS**

Uniforms are being delivered on a weekly basis right now. If you receive your uniform at class, please try it on as soon as possible. If the uniform does not fit and needs to be exchanged, please complete the form on the back of the invoice and follow the return/exchange directions. Uniforms cannot be exchanged if they have been worn, are dirty or damaged. Tights/undergarments may not be exchanged or returned, if opened.

#### **WEAR YOUR UNIFORM TO CLASS**

We will have a Dress Rehearsal at all classes on Nov. 28th and 29th. I would like all dancers who have received their uniform to wear it to class. This will give us the opportunity to trouble shoot any issues and make

sure everyone has all of the right pieces, etc. If your dancer does not have her uniform yet, she should just come in regular practice wear. It is not a problem, but you will get a chance to see by observing the others, what she will need and how the uniform should be worn.

#### DANCER PICK UP - 1st GRADE & YOUNGER

When picking your dancer up after class, please come into the facility to get them. I do not want dancers out in the parking lot by themselves. I ask that you come the last few minutes of class, we will perform for you, give brief announcements and then I will dismiss students to you. Classes run back to back so dancers that are not picked up will need to wait in the class area until their parent arrives.

#### **WEAR A JFK SHIRT TO SCHOOL**

On Friday, Dec. 9, wear your favorite Just For Kix shirt to school!

#### **SPECIAL SESSIONS**

All Winter Special Sessions will begin Monday, Nov. 7. Class dates are Monday, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28 and Dec. 5. Classes Include: Teeny Kix(2-4 yrs)-4:45-5:15pm; Wee Hip Hop(K-3rd)-6:00-6:45pm; Christmas Rockettes(7-12th)-8:30-9:15pm Dancers will learn a routine to perform at our JFK Winter Show on Dec. 10th.

#### WE OFFER A NO DISTRACTION ENVIRONMENT

Over the years, we have found the most productive way to run classes is without the distraction of parents and siblings in the room. We only have a short time each week, so every minute is important. Occasionally I will allow spectators in the last five minutes of class so you can see the progress we are making.

#### **STAY INFORMED**

#### WEBSITE

justforkix.com/danceclasses -This website is a tool used to list unexpected changes such as cancellations due to weather, make up class dates, performance details and/or corrections to the newsletter.

#### **BIMONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

Each dancer should bring home a printed bimonthly newsletter or will receive a email PDF version. You can also find these posted on our local website. These newsletters will have important dates and information for upcoming events.

#### E-MAIL

We will send out regular e-mails throughout the season with reminders and general information. Please make sure we have your most current e-mail address on file. If you have a spam blocker, e-mails from Just For Kix may be bounced back.

#### **TEXT MESSAGE**

Get current information fast with the text messages. Announcements for bad weather, changes in plans, etc. Please make sure your cell number is correct in your student account.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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Website/Registration:

www.justforkix.com/danceclasses/longprairie-mn

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Thank you to all of our dance families for the support and trust you've put in us for over 40 years!



#### **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. 8:00am - 4:30pm (CST)
We can take credit or debit card payments over
the phone. If you can't reach us by phone, please
email <a href="mailto:support@justforkix.com">support@justforkix.com</a>

#### 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.

#### **CLASS ATTIRE**

Clothing should allow for movement; We ask that dancers do not wear jeans, jewelry, or chew gum in class. You can purchase Just For Kix practice and active wear at justforkix.com, if you wish! Hair should be pulled back in a pony tail or bun. Dance shoes/tennis shoes should be worn.

# Online Access to Your Dancer's Account Is Easier than Ever!

Now you have online access to all of your dancer's pertinent information for classes, payments and uniforms.

justforkix.com/danceclasses



#### A SAFER DANCE ENVIRONMENT

The health and safety of our students, families, guests, and staff have always been our highest priority. A concern that has only been heightened by these new and challenging times. By using local, state, and national guidelines to inform best practices for service continuity, Just For Kix is ready to re-open our in-person services. Visit justforkix.com for more information.

#### **MESSES, THEFT, VANDALISM**

Renting a facility is a privilege. Please treat the practice and performance space as if it were your own! We are all judged by the actions of a few; therefore, Just For Kix has no tolerance for disrespecting others' belongings or property. We recommend leaving valuables at home.

#### **SUPERVISION**

Dancers are supervised during their regular class time. Although we may have several classes the same day, during the time prior to and after the class you will need to watch your children. We want them safe.

#### ATTENDANCE

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

#### **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.

#### UNIFORM/COSTUMES

Uniform orders are due at registration. If you have not ordered your uniforms, please do so immediately.

#### If you still need to order your uniform:

Uniforms need to be paid in full before the order is placed. Some uniforms may take 8-12 weeks from the order date to arrive, so order early to ensure timely delivery prior to your program's first performance. Many ordered in the Spring for that reason.

#### If you have received your uniform:

Try it on right away. If the sizing is not correct, please follow the exchange instructions on the back of the invoice that came with your uniform. We can make an exchange as long as the uniform has not been worn or damaged. Tights can only be exchanged if they are unopened.

#### Return/exchange policy

If you are unhappy with your uniform or need a different size simply follow the steps and complete the forms on your return form that came with your item(s) and send it back within 10 days. Only uniforms that have not been worn and are not damaged, stained or used will be exchanged or refunded. Tights, undergarments and hair pieces may not be exchanged after they have been removed from the packaging. Please allow 2-3 weeks for exchanges of in stock items, and 4-6 weeks for back ordered pieces. For faster processing, order new pieces online first in your student account and send in pieces for refund after.



#### DANCE YEAR AT A GLANCE

#### **November**

- Nov. 7- Teeny Kix, Wee Hip Hop & Christmas Rockettes begin
- Nov. 28/29- Winter Show Dress Rehearsal December
- Dec. 10- Winter Shows! 4pm & 6pm-LPGE Elem. Big Gym
- Dec. 26/27- No Class

#### January

- Jan. 2/3- No Class
- Jan. 17- No class at First Baptist Church-

#### Tuesday Night LPGE BB Game Halftime Performance

- JV Game: Wee Combo & Mini Combo
- Varsity Game: Mini Hip Hop & Jr/Sr Hip Hop

• Jan. 23- No class at First Baptist Church-

#### Monday Night LPGE BB Game Halftime Performance

- JV Game: Tiny Kix 3 & Jr/Sr Jazz
- Varsity Game: Mini Kix & Jr/Sr Kix
- Jan. 28- TWD Ricori Competition confirmed!
- Due to scheduling- Basketball Games will look a little different- we normally try to have performances on Friday's but there is only 1 game available, so we will have some classes perform at a Monday game and some at a Tuesday game- they coincide with the day the group has class. On the Monday and Tuesday performance dates there will

be no class at First Baptist Church. The classes that don't perform on Monday or Tuesday will have a Friday Night BB Performance in February.

#### **February**

- Feb. 6/7- Class Picture Night
- Feb. 24- Friday Night LPGE BB Game Halftime Performance
  - JV Game: Tiny Kix 1 & Wee Petites - Varsity Game: Tiny Kix 2 & Wee

#### March

## • Mar. 4- TWD Brainerd Competition - confirmed!

- Mar. 10- Little Dancers Stage Show,
   7pm- LPGE HS Auditorium
- Mar. 28- Spring Special Sessions Begin

• Mar. 31- Glenwood Hip Hop Showcase (Mini Hip Hop and Jr/Sr Hip Hop classes only) 6pm

#### <u>April</u>

• Apr. 28- TWD Nationals in Rochester for Jr/Sr classes

#### 01 31/

- May 2/3- Last Night of Class
- May 6- Spring Shows! 3:30 & 6:00pm confirmed!

First Baptist Church asks that parents and non-dancers do not congregate in the waiting area while dancers are practicing. Once dancers are dropped off, parents are to leave the building and come back at the end of dance class. -Thank you!

#### **PERFORMANCE INFO**

#### **WINTER SHOW 2022**

'Kickin' with my Gnomies' Winter Show December 10, 2022 4:00pm & 6:00pm LPGE Elementary - Big Gym

#### **Morning Rehearsal:**

Each class will have a short morning practice in the LPGE Elementary Gym on show day.

More details about the show will be in the **Winter Show Newsletter** that comes out closer to our show date.

#### **SPECIAL SESSIONS**

5-week Winter Special Sessions- Begin Monday, Nov. 7

4:45-5:15pm: Teeny Kix (2-3 yrs)6:00-6:45pm: Wee Hip Hop (K-3rd)

• 8:30-9:15pm: Christmas Rockettes (7-12th)

Teeny Kix & Wee Hip Hop Classes wear the same uniform for both Winter & Spring Special Sessions!

Join us for Musical Theatre (4-12th) a 6 week session in Spring! We will also plan to have a Father/Daughter/Partner Dance in the Spring!

#### **CANCELLATION**

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

- jusforkix.com/danceclasses/longprairie-mn
- Text
- E-mail
- Facebook/Instagram

If school is cancelled or let out early for weather emergencies, we will not have class or we will do it virtually. Any classes that are cancelled will be rescheduled for a later date, unless pre-planned make-up classes have already been scheduled or if they are done virtually.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **BASKETBALL PERFORMANCES**

Classes will perform in January/February at LPGE Basketball games! Each class will perform at 1 game each.

#### STAGE SHOW

Little Dancers and Solo Stage Show!!! Friday, March 10, 2023 - 7:00pm

#### **HIP HOP SHOWCASE**

Mini H.H. & Jr/Sr H.H. perform at 6:00pm in Glenwood on Friday, March 31, 2023!

#### **TWD COMPETITIONS**

Wee Combo, Mini Kix, Mini Combo, Mini H.H., Jr/Sr H.H., Jr/Sr Jazz, Jr/Sr Kix will attend competitions!

- TWD Ricori Jan. 28
- TWD Brainerd Mar. 4
- TWD Nationals in Rochester April 28 (Jr/Sr teams only)







For over 39 years, Just For Kix has been giving youth a performance platform that puts the prime teaching motivation on not only proven dance technique, but teamwork and confidence. Heads have turned and audiences have cheered through 14 states and over 200 locations. Our student enrollment continues to grow, our curriculum continues to develop and our vision of "doing your best is more important than being the best" leaves a lasting impression on our students far after they've left the Just For Kix team.



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November is a time to be grateful and give thanks for all the good things in our lives. What are you thankful for?

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	Happy Hallow- een, No Class	1 Class pmt due, Dance Class	2	3	4	5
6	7 Dance Class	8 Dance Class	9	10	11	12
13	14 Dance Class	15 Dance Class	16	17	18	19
20	21 Dance Class	Dance Class	23	24	25	26
27	Dance Class, dress rehearsal	Dance Class, dress rehearsal	30	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29	30	1 Class pmt due	2	3
4	5 Dance Class	6 Dance Class	7	8	9	Winter Shows, 4pm & 6pm
11	Dance Class	13 Dance Class	14	15	16	17
18	19 Dance Class	20 Dance Class	21	22	23	24
25	No Class	No Class	28	29	30	31
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

# DEC

2022

Enjoy the Holiday Season! Spend time with the people you love and care about most, reach out to someone you don't see often and let them know you're thinking of them!

Hello! The dance season is going great! I absolutely love seeing your dancers smiling face each week! If you ever have any questions, please feel free to reach out! One BIG thing going on within our program is we have made our DREAM a REALITY and we are taking a group of dancers and family members to FLORIDA to dance at the RELIAQUEST BOWL GAME from Dec. 28, 2022 - Jan 3, 2023!!! We have a group of 63 people from the Long Prairie and Sauk Centre JFK dance programs, of those, 26 are dancers and will dance out on the field at the Bowl Game on Jan. 2nd 2023! We are SO PROUD to take such wonderful dancers and families on this trip! Everyone has worked hard this year fundraising and getting everything ready for the performance tour! This is a trip of a lifetime - to perform in Florida at the College Football Bowl Game in front of thousands! JFK will take us on other excursions as well, it's a trip packed full of FUN! Watch for more travel opportunities with JFK in the future! Thank you! -Miss Jaime