

# 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

### 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](http://justforkix.com), if you wish! Hair should be pulled back in a pony tail or bun. Dance shoes/tennis shoes should be worn.

### 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

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.

### 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.

### POWER PACK

Watch for emails from the Home Office packed with skills videos, tips, motivational quotes, sale items in the catalog and much more!

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## 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](http://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 your 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](http://www.justforkix.com/danceclasses/longprairie-mn)

**Follow us on Facebook:**

Just For Kix - Long Prairie, MN



## TUITION

There are three easy ways to make your payments:

### 1. Online Payment System

at [justforkix.com/danceclasses](http://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 - 4:30pm (CST)

We can take credit or debit card payments over the phone. If you can't reach us by phone, please email [support@justforkix.com](mailto:support@justforkix.com)

### 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.

## POTENTIAL ADDITIONAL COSTS

Here is a glance at additional costs that may be incurred throughout the season:

- Performance admission
- Just For Kix TWD Competition fees and admission
- Show admission
- Prop fees
- Pictures
- Special Session fees
- Show shirts
- Custom program clothing

## 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](http://justforkix.com/danceclasses)



## THE JUST FOR KIX DANCE SEASON

Our dance session is broken down into two parts:

### September - December

The primary focus of the first few months of class is preparing the dancers for their season. Dancers will work on new technique, skills, strengthening, stretching and choreography. We use this time to lay a strong foundation for the season. Performances at this time of year are minimal and typically do not use the class uniform.

### December - April

The uniforms are in and the dancers are ready to start performing. This is the time of the season where dancers get a chance to perform their routines while continuing to build on their technique and skills. The majority of our performances for the season will fall during these months. It is fun to see how students grow as dancers and performers during this part of the season. Older classes may also compete at Just For Kix competitions.

## WHAT TO EXPECT FROM JUST FOR KIX

- There are, on average, 32 classes in the season. Some programs do go to 36 classes.
- Depending on the location, classes will run for either 8 or 9 months.
- Classes billing Sept-April will get 32 or more classes. Classes billing Sept-May will get 36 classes per season.

## 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.

## CURRICULUM

Our goal throughout our dance program is two-fold:

1. To teach dancers proper technique, and to develop the strength and flexibility to perform these skills.
2. To introduce choreography and to work on movement and performing. Younger classes will be more choreography-based and will learn 3-4 dances per season. Older dancers will have more emphasis on flexibility, strength, skill work and performance. They will generally learn 1-2 routines per season.

## TuTuTots ACADEMY

We created a revolutionary curriculum that will give your preschoolers the ultimate fun time while learning the basics in dance.

Using colorful and fun learning tools, the class will let your dancers discover

the joy and passion for dance. Our curriculum is designed specifically for preschoolers based on their learning abilities. You will see growth in the areas of communication/expression, cooperation, self-control and self-esteem.



# DANCE YEAR AT A GLANCE

## September

- Sept. 11/12- Classes Begin at First Baptist Church, Long Prairie
- Sept. 30- Uniform Orders Due

## October

- Oct. 13- LPGE Football Halftime Performance, 4-6th graders
- Oct. 23/24- Halloween Dress Rehearsal
- Oct. 27- Halloween Show! 7pm- LPGE Elem. Big Gym

## November

- Nov. 6 - Partner Routine & Christmas Rockettes Winter Special Sessions begin
- Nov. 7- Teeny Kix Special Session begins

- Nov. 27/28- Winter Show Dress Rehearsal

## December

- Dec. 9- Winter Shows! 4:00 & 6:00pm- LPGE Elem. Big Gym
- Dec. 25/26- No Class

## January

- Jan. 1- No Class
- Jan. 2- Back to Class
- Jan 15/16- Crazy Socks Week!

## February

- Feb. 5/6- Wear Hearts/Pink/Red to class!
- Feb. 12/13- Class Picture Week

## March

- Mar. 8- Stage Show, 7pm- LPGE HS Auditorium
- Mar. 11/12- Wear Green to class!
- Mar. 25/26- Spring Special Sessions Begin

## April

- Apr. 24-28- TWD Nationals in Rochester for Jr/Sr classes
- Apr. 29/30- Last Night of Class

## May

- May 4- Spring Shows! 3:30 & 6:00pm, LPGE Elementary School Gym

\* LPGE Basketball Game Performance dates are not finalized at time of print. We normally perform in January/February.

\*TWD COMPETITIONS dates are NOT finalized at time of print. Wee Hip Hop, Wee Combo, Mini Hip Hop, Mini Combo, Mini Kix, Jr/Sr Jazz, Jr/Sr Hip Hop & Jr/Sr Kix will attend 1-4 competitions during the second half of the season. Competitions are typically in Feb/March/April.

**First Baptist Church**  
401 4th St S,  
Long Prairie, MN 56347

## WHAT CLASS AM I IN?

### MONDAY'S @ FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

GYM:

- 4:00-5:00: Mini Kix (4-6th)
- 5:00-6:00: Wee Kix (K-3rd)
- 6:00-6:30: Tiny Kix Monday (3-5 yrs)
- 6:30-7:30: Jr/Sr Jazz/Lyrical (7-12th)
- 7:35-8:50: Jr/Sr Kix (7-12th)

### TUESDAY'S @ FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

GYM:

- 3:45-5:00: Wee Combo (2-3rd)
- 5:00-6:30: Mini Combo (4-6th)
- 6:35-7:35: Mini Hip Hop (3-6th)
- 7:35-8:35: Jr/Sr Hip Hop (7-12th)

EASTHALL:

- 5:15-5:45: Wee Hip Hop
- 5:45-6:30: Wee Petites (K-1st)
- 6:35-7:05: Tiny Kix Tuesday (3-5 yrs)

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## CANCELLATION

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

- [www.justforkix.com/danceclasses/longprairie-mn](http://www.justforkix.com/danceclasses/longprairie-mn)
- Announcement text
- Mass e-mail
- Facebook

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

- **October 13:** 4-6th grade - Football Halftime Performance! (Mini Kix & Mini Combo)

- **October 27:** 3yrs-3rd grade - Halloween Show! 7pm, LPGE Elem. Big Gym (Tiny Kix Monday, Tiny Kix Tuesday, Wee Petites, Wee Hip Hop, Wee Kix, Wee Combo)

We offer many "Special Sessions" (shorter sessions) throughout the season. See details & register online.

### 5-week Winter Special Sessions-

*Monday's:*

- 6:00-6:45pm Parent/Dancer Partner Dance (K-12th)
- 8:50-9:35pm: Christmas Rockettes (7-12th)

*Tuesday's:*

- 4:45-5:15pm: Teeny Kix (2-4 yrs)

Teeny Kix will wear the same uniform for both Winter & Spring Special Sessions!



*For 40 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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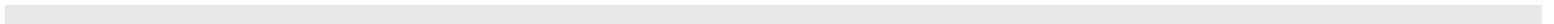
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# SEP

# 2023

Welcome to Dance!!!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29	30	31	1 Class Pmt Due	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Classes Begin!	12 Classes Begin!	13	14	15	16
17	18 Dance Class	19 Dance Class	20	21	22	23
24	25 Dance Class	26 Dance Class	27	28	29	30 Uniform Orders Due
1	2	3	4	5	6	7



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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
1 Class Pmt Due	2 Dance Class	3 Dance Class	4	5	6	7
8	9 Dance Class	10 Dance Class	11	12	13	14
15	16 Dance Class	17 Dance Class	18	19	20	21
22	23 Dance Class- Halloween Show dress	24 Dance Class- Halloween Show dress	25	26	27	22
29	30 Dance Class	31 NO Class- Happy Hallow- een!	1	2	3	4

# OCT

# 2023

FUN PERFORMANCES!!! LPGE  
Football Performance on Oct.  
13th for the 4-6th graders!  
Halloween Show- Oct. 27th, 3  
yrs-3rd grade, 7:00pm

Dear Dance Families: I hope you had a wonderful summer! I'm so happy to be BACK TO DANCE and get back into a routine! I take a lot of pride in teaching dance, it is my passion and just love teaching and being with your children each week! We are here to have fun and learn! Thank you to each and every parent for allowing your child to be part of our dance family! If you have any questions, please reach out. Thank you! -Miss Jaime