# JUST FOR KIX DANGE 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**

#### **Parking**

Please walk all pre-school through 1st grade dancers into the school and come in to pick them up.

#### **Class Attire**

Clothing should allow for movement; We ask that dancers do no 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.

#### 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.

#### **Contact Information**

**Director:** Amy Gunderson **Phone:** 320-266-0515

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Website/Payments:

justforkix.com/danceclasses

#### 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.

Just Text @littlefa to 612-223-7624 to begin receiving texts from Amy.

#### WE MAKE IT EASY TO 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. 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 ile. If you have a spam blocker, e-mails from Just For Kix may be bounced back.

### TEXT MESSAGE: REMIND APP.

Get current information fast with the Remind App. Announcements for bad weather, changes in plans, etc. It's easy to use.



#### We Offer A No Distraction Environment

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



# Online Access to Your Dancers 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



# 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.
- Tuition is based on the number of classes your dancer is scheduled to attend. You will get what you pay for.

#### **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.

Call Payments in to the Home Office.
 218-829-7107
 Mon. - Fri. 8:00am - 4:30pm (CST)

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

- Discounts apply if you pay for four or more months simultaneously, prior to their due dates. Please contact your Director to get more information.
- 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.
- \* By giving us your check, please be aware that you are authorizing Just For Kix to make a one-time electronic debit from your account at the financial institution indicated on your check. This electronic debit will be for the amount of your check. No additional amount will be added to the amount.

# 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

#### **UNIFORMS**

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 all will not be guaranteed delivery prior to the winter show. 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 instructions on the back side of your uniform invoice on how to handle uniform exchanges. 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.

#### **CURRICULUM**

Our goal throughout our dance program is two-fold:

- 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.

#### **INTRODUCING**

TUTU Tots

We created a revolutionary curriculum that will give your preshoolers 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 preshoolers 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 23: Make sure uniforms are ordered by today.

#### October

October 17: No Monday classes.

October 18: No Tuesday classes.

October 24th and 25th: Feel free to wear halloween costumes to dance tonight!

October 31st: No Monday Classes. Happy Halloween!

#### November

Happy Thanksgiving!

#### December

December 9th- Stage show performance for non-competing dancers. 7pm.

Happy Holidays! Good luck to our dancers attending the Outback Bowl tour in

Florida this month!

#### January

January 21st- Winter show for all classes.

January 29th- TWD competition in Sauk Rapids for competing classes.

January 31st: Picture Night for both Monday and Tuesday classes.

February

Happy Valentines Day!

#### March

March 25/26- TWD competition in Brainerd for competing classes.

#### Anril

Spring Show and last month of classes.

May

June

#### What Class Am I in?

Just For Kix offers an array of dance classes, and it can be difficult to remember the name of your child's class. Here, I've listed the grade by the class name for your convenience.

Tiny Kix- 3-5yrs
Wee Petites- K & 1st
Wee Kix- 2nd-3rd
\*Mini Kix- 4th-6th
\*Senior Kix- 7th-12th
\*Mini Jazz- 2nd-6th
\*Mini Hip Hop 3rd-6th
\*Senior Hip Hop 7th-12th
\*Senior jazz 6th-12th

\*classes that compete at Together We Dance competitions.

#### **Cancellations**

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

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- Mass e-mail (to those who supplied their e-mail address to us)

#### **Upcoming Events**

December 9th: Stage Show for non-competing classes.7pm.

January 21st- Winter show for all classes.

January 29th-TWD Sauk Rapids for competing classes.

February- Community Show performance for all classes and basketball half-time performances for all classes.

March 25/26- TWD Competition in Brainerd for competing classes

April: Spring show for all classes.

#### **Notes**

Our classes are extended each week and are only held 3x/mo. In the past, We have had numerous class days off throughout the year for school closings, holidays, etc. In previous years, we made up those classes on Friday's. By extending all of our class times each week, we were able to eliminate our 4th class each month and not have to attend Friday practices.







Celebrating 35 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 ten 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.

#### **Contact Us**

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# EVENT NOTES

Please follow Little Falls Just For Kix on Social Media!

Facebook- Just For Kix - Little Falls, MN

Instagram: justforkix\_littlefalls

Twitter: @LFjustforkix

Hashtag your photos all season with

#lfjfk

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				CLASS FEES DUE 1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	First Day of Mon- day classes	First Day of Tuesday classes	14	15	16	17
18	19 Monday classes	Tuesday classes	21	22	Uniforms should be ordered online by today	24
25	26 Monday classes	27 Tuesday classes	28	29	30	

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9	Monday classes	Tuesday classes	12	13	14	15
16	No Monday classes	No Tuesday classes	19	20	21	22
23	Monday classes	25 Tuesday classes	26	27	28	29
30	No Monday classes					



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