

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

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 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.

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.

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www.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.



The first ever, annual Just For Kix Together We Dance Nationals.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

April 27th - 29th, 2018
Mayo Civic Center
Rochester, MN

Just Text @littlefa to 81010 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.

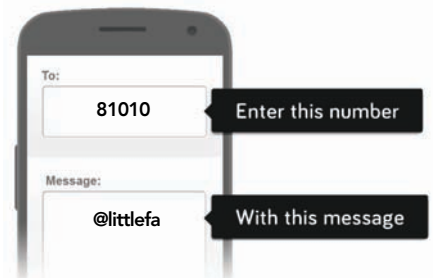
E-MAIL

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 file. 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 the distraction of parents and siblings in the room. We only have a short time each week, so every minute is important.



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



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.

2. 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

- 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 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.

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
Welcome back!

October

Oct 10: Amanda's pre-school classes meet, but Amy's classes do not meet.

Oct 19: No Thursday classes.

Oct 24: Amy's classes meet, but Amanda's pre-school classes do not meet.

Oct 26: Ashley's classes

meet, but Amanda's Tiny Kix class does not meet.

Oct 31: No Tuesday classes

November

November 7th: No Tuesday classes (Election night)

November 9th & 23rd: No Thursday classes.

December

Friday, Dec 8th: Stage Show performance for all 2yrs-3rd

grade dancers. 6:45pm at LF HS in the Auditorium.

Dec 26/28: No classes.

January

Saturday, Jan 20th: Winter Show 11am

Sunday, Jan 28th (possibly

adding 1/27): Together We Dance competition in Foley: for all dancers 4th grade and up.

February

Feb 27: Picture Night for both Tuesday & Thursday classes.

March

March 3rd or 4th: Brainerd Together We Dance Competition for all dancers 2nd grade and up.

April

Saturday, Apr 28th: Tentative Spring Show Date

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.

Teeny Kix: 2-3yrs special session

Tiny Kix: 3-5 years

Wee Petites: K & 1st

*Wee: 2nd-3rd

**Mini: 4th-6th

**Senior 7th-12th

*classes that attend one TWD competitions.

**classes that attend two TWD competitions.

Cancellations

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

- justforkix.com/danceclasses

- Sign up for our text program to receive texts for cancellations and other important announcements. Text @littlefa to 81010. Cancellations will also be announced on social media: Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. • Mass e-mail (to those who supplied their e-mail address to us) If school is cancelled or let out early for weather emergencies, we will not have class. Any classes that are cancelled will be rescheduled for a later date, unless pre-planned make-up classes have already been scheduled.

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Upcoming Events

As soon as events are confirmed throughout the season, you will be notified by email and they will be added to the the upcoming newsletters. We typically perform 4-6 times throughout our dance season beginning in December. Performances may include: Stage Show, Winter Show, Community Show, Basketball game performance, Together We Dance Competitions and Spring Show. Throughout the season, our bi-monthly newsletters will be posted as soon as they are ready on our website under News/Events.

Notes

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.

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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.

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EVENT NOTES

Make sure to order uniforms ASAP to ensure they arrive in time for our first performance. If your dancer needs to be sized yet, please let your instructor know.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 First Day of Tuesday classes	13	14 First Day of Thursday classes	15	16
17	18	19 Tuesday classes	20	21 Thursday classes	22	23
24	25	26 Tuesday classes	27	28 Thursday classes	29	30

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EVENT NOTES

Oct 24th and Oct 26th: If interested, dancers can wear their Halloween costume to class as long as they are able to dance in it.